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LITTLE DAMAGE REPORTED IN OAKLAND COUNTY

By ED ALPHIN
County Agricultural Agent

Little damage has been incurred by most farmers in Oakland County (due to storms of recent weeks). Up to this writing some fields of wheat have been damaged slightly by wind and heavy rain. However, this damage has been confined to low spots in the field.

Recent announcements make it quite definite that there will be acreage allotments with subsequent marketing quotas for the 1954 wheat crop. Surpluses of wheat have been created by exceptionally good crops over the past few years, along with a loss of foreign market outlets which have brought about a necessity for the application of these controls. What it actually means is that based on past acreages of wheat grown, a percentage of the average acreage will be deducted to limit the number of acres marketed if wheat is to be supported at 90% of parity. If there are no controls, then parity support prices will be 50%. There will be an opportunity for farmers to vote on this program later.



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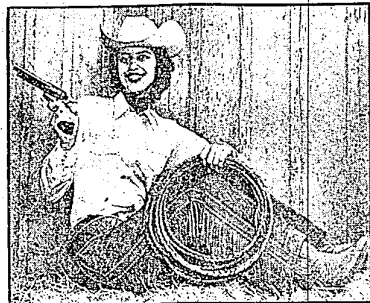
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FARM NEWS



STRAIGHT SHOOTER—Joanne Rogers is sure to be a "straight-shooting" hostess when she takes over her duties as hostess for the 1953 Salinas, Calif., rodeo, horse, fair and stock show. Little Joanne practices up for the stunt with a little gun and rope study.

Trench Silo Needs Plan To Fit Herd; Should Be Gauged To Season Length

The size of a trench silo should be gauged to the herd and length of feeding season, according to a Michigan State College farm crops specialist.

S. T. Dexter advises farmers to plan feeding at least two feet of silage each week to prevent spoilage. He terms one and one-half cubic feet of silage per day per cow a reasonably heavy feeding. Width and depth of the trench can be figured accordingly, Dexter says.

Proper drainage in a trench silo is an important point, according to Dexter. Especially in some of Michigan's heavier soils, rain and seepage can cause a lot of damage. He advises putting the trench on a knoll or grading the area. Covering the silage with soil or sawdust after a thorough packing of the silage keeps the

CATTLE PRICES NOT APT TO BE IMPROVED SOON

Any substantial improvement in cattle prices is not expected in the next two or three years, says Harold Kiley, a Michigan State College agricultural economist.

The reason, he believes, is that beef supplies are likely to continue large.

At present, he adds, the price outlook for lower grades of slaughter cattle doesn't look favorable for the seller. Continued price weakness is expected and marketings are likely to be unusually large this summer and early fall.

Reasons for the price weakness are for stockers and feeders, he asserts, are these:

1. Increased supplies — the seasonal movement of grass cattle and those cattle coming from drought-stricken areas.
2. The weakened demand — the general fear of late summer and fall prices on grass cattle, restrictions on cattle loans and the losses by cattle feeders during the past several months.

The relatively unfavorable price spread between feeders and fat cattle and the current pressure of field work is keeping farmers away from the market, too, Riley says.

Calves' Proper Growth Depends On Careful Diet

Don't put your dairy heifers on pasture too soon. They may not grow out properly if you do. That's advice from George Parsons, extension dairyman at Michigan State College. He says dairy heifers under 12 months of age should not be pastured. That means a calf born in January should not go on pasture that year. When heifers are pastured, however, they should be near the barn where some hay and grain can be fed. Parsons points out that they need the best pasture — not the poorest on the farm.

Buying a combine can be costly for a small acreage but there are advantages — you can cut your grain when it's ready. Weigh the pros and cons carefully, advise Michigan State College agricultural economists, in deciding to buy or hire.

FARM CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- July 16, Fifth Annual Sheep Day at MSC.
- July 16, Antrim County Pastures and Land Judging Day. J. H. Kincaid farm, east shore of Elk Lake, 5 miles south of Kewadin.
- July 19 - 22, Executive Committee, American Dairy Association, at MSC.
- July 19 - 25, National Farm Safety Week.
- July 21, Ohio State Horticultural Society Michigan Orchard Tour, in Ionia County; July 22 at South Haven Experiment Station.
- July 21 - 24, Michigan Homemakers Conference at MSC.
- July 21 - 27, 4-H Club Conservation Camp, Camp Shaw, U. P. Experiment Station, at Chatham.

Prune, Shape Pines For Christmas Use

If you are growing pines for Christmas trees, this is a good time to trim them — up through this week.

That's a tip from Extension Forester William G. Stump of Michigan State College. Pine trees usually grow too fast and leave too much space between whorls of lateral branches, he says. Pruning will help give a compact tree with the right height.

All you need to do the job, he advises, are a pair of hedge shears and a jackknife. Cut the terminal growth at the top of the tree to control the height growth. Then cut back the lateral growth of the terminal whorl so that they are an inch or two shorter than the terminal growth.

Next come the lateral branches on the remainder of the tree. Some of these may be growing too rapidly and will have to be pruned in order to give the tree a typical outline. Occasionally, Stump suggests, it may be necessary to remove some old growth in order to shape the tree.

You don't have to worry about pruning spruce and fir trees now, he says. They can be pruned during the dormant season.

Details on pruning can be obtained in a publication called "The Pruning of Red and Scotch Pine for Christmas Trees." It's available at the county agricultural agent's office or by writing to the Extension Forestry Department, Michigan State College, East Lansing.

FIRST AID KIT NECESSARY FOR BUSY FARM SEASON

With farmers in the busy harvest season, it's more important than ever to keep a well-supplied first aid kit on hand, says David G. Steinke, farm safety specialist at Michigan State College.

He points out that the box containing the first aid kit should be light enough to keep out the dirt. A cash box, a fishing tackle box, or even a tightly covered tin can will serve as a container. It should be thoroughly cleaned and labeled. Steinke advises that the kit should contain these items:

- Several rolls of adhesive tape of varying widths, sterile cotton swabs and sticks. Sterile white cloth should be included along with a tube of sterile white salve for minor burns; a pair of scissors, boric acid, a recommended antiseptic and aromatic spirits of ammonia.

"A well stocked kit may save a life or prevent serious infection from an injury, Steinke points out.

They say that good weather-proof feeders will encourage the chickens to eat the right kind of ration and prevent contamination of feed. They also point out that a plentiful supply of fresh, clean water at this time of year may be even more important than shade for feeders. But the water should be in the shade, too.

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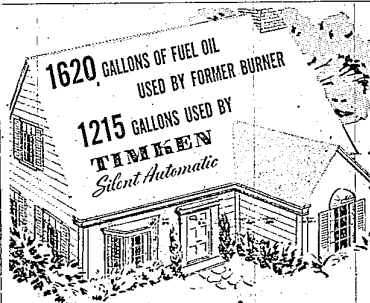
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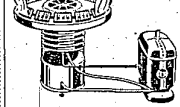


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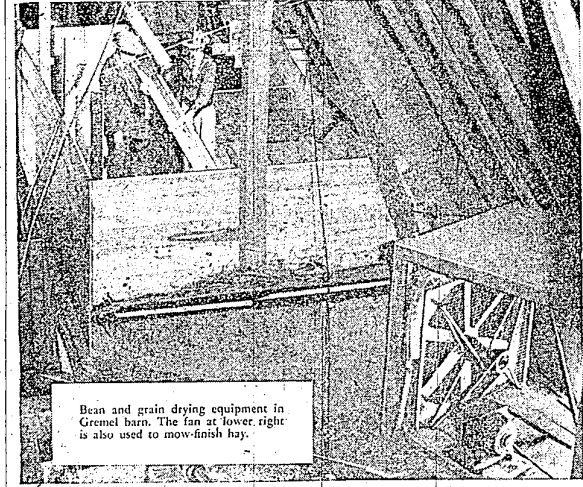
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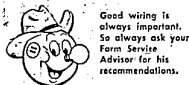
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