

## Dairy Cattle's Reaction To Bang's Disease Tests Brings Warning From County Court

By JEROME SHELDON  
Recent testing of dairy cattle in Douglas County for Bang's disease has revealed a number of cows reacting to the tests, said County Judge D. N. Busenbark. He issued a warning that persons who purchased dairy cows outside the county should make sure that they are free of Bang's disease. "We have been reasonably clear

of this disease for a number of years in Douglas County," he said.

He said tests of dairy cattle recently purchased and brought to this county had resulted in finding 17 reactors. The tests were conducted by Dr. Dallen H. Jones, county veterinarian. Cattle showing reaction to the tests have come largely from Coos

## Quick Handling Of Turkey Eggs Held Advisable

Time that elapses between the nest and incubator is highly important in hatching eggs, reminds Noel Bennion, O. S. C. extension poultry specialist.

Hatchability, the poultry specialist explains, decreases gradually after eggs are stored a week or longer. After 14 days have passed, the reduction in hatchability is rapidly accelerated.

Since hatching egg season is at hand, Bennion suggests a methodical egg gathering schedule as one method for increasing hatchability. He says turkey eggs are better when gathered every hour; chicken eggs at least every two or three hours.

Many dirty and broken eggs are eliminated if such a schedule is followed, Bennion states. When dirty eggs are found, however, he suggests they be cleaned immediately rather than left to dry.

## U. S. Tops China For First Time In Soybean Crop

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., Feb. 7.—(AP)—The United States surpassed China for the first time last year as a soybean producer, Richard F. Uhlmann, president of the Chicago Board of Trade, said. Addressing a session of the annual Farm and Home Week program of the University of Illinois, Uhlmann said the nation now produces more than a third of the world's soybean crop.

American farmers first began showing serious interest in soybeans in 1929, and now have almost 10,000,000 acres under cultivation, Uhlmann said.

"There was considerable worry at the beginning whether we would ever find markets for this new crop—but 170,000,000 bushels were ground last year for valuable oil and meal," he added. "Reserves have been successfully consumed before the next crop was available. This proves the economic necessity to continue raising big crops."

He said the soybean industry had benefitted largely from the large central exchanges where the crop is marketed.

## 'All Farmers Healthy' Impression Debunked

CHICAGO.—(AP)—A farmers' union official has debunked the popular belief that "all farmers are healthy."

"Mrs. Gladys T. Edwards, Denver, educational director of the Farmers' Educational and Cooperative Union, said "It isn't so" in an address to the annual national conference on rural health.

"No one who deals with rural America can overlook the fact that the unevenness of income levels on the farm ties to an unevenness in medical care," she said. "The fact that the country doctor has little to work with and puts in hours which are killing to him . . . has caused doctors to move into the cities . . ."

The largest clock in the world was built for a Jersey City, N. J., factory in 1924 and measures 50 feet across the dial. The minute and hour hands alone weigh nearly four tons.

County, with a few from Josephine.

The disease apparently has appeared even in cattle certified as clean, although the testing has been limited in these other counties. Because the disease is very contagious, the cows probably have become infected since their last tests.

All cows must be tested before they are offered for sale, Judge Busenbark said.

There would be danger of infected cows spreading the disease to healthy herds in this county, the judge pointed out. All cows showing a reaction to the tests must be slaughtered.

Persons who drink unpasteurized milk from cows with Bang's disease are themselves in danger of coming down with undulant fever.

## Lotus Major for Acid Soils New Discovery in Forage; Flourishes Against Weeds

"A Legume for Acid Soils—Lotus Uliginosus" is the title of a new experiment station bulletin just off the press at Oregon State college. Telling the development story of Lotus major or big trefoil, as it is commonly called, the bulletin is the first that deals with this forage plant that is rapidly gaining favor where adapted.

I. R. Howell, superintendent of the John Jacob Astor branch experiment station is author of the new bulletin, as most of the experimental work with this combined hay and pasture plant has been done at that branch station and on logged off land in the coast range managed by Howell.

The author cautions against confusing Lotus major with its near relative, Lotus corniculatus. The latter is a tap rooted plant that thrives under drier conditions than major and stands colder winters. It is extensively grown in parts

of Southern Oregon and California.

Long life, ability to thrive in acid soils, tolerance of rather extensive winter flooding and ability to compete with such weeds as bracken fern, are characteristics of big trefoil. These have brought it into prominence along the Oregon coast and in parts of the Willamette valley, particularly in Clackamas county where rainfall conditions seem to suit it.

Both varieties of Lotus major are readily eaten by all classes of livestock as pasture, silage or hay, Howell reports. Stock seem to have some preference in the pasture stage for the smooth type that was grown originally on the branch station.

Instances of Lotus major stands surviving three to four months flooding in the dormant season are cited in the bulletin which includes recommendations on seeding and use of the crop.

## Prune Assn., Canning Co. Make Operating Pact

MILTON, Ore., Feb. 7.—(AP)—An operating agreement between the Blue Mountain Prune Growers Association and the Umattilla Canning Company was announced here by Harry Cline, manager of the prune growers.

The canning company will manage and operate the Prune Growers' freezing plant and cold storage facilities in conjunction with the canning program.

Offices of the two cooperatives were consolidated late in 1948.

The operating agreement, is an economy measure by both organizations.

It will bring about additional marketing outlets to the members of both groups.

## Oregon Cedar Seedlings Planted in Hawaii Test

OREGON STATE COLLEGE—Clippings have been received here from Hawaii showing the planting on the University of Hawaii campus of three of the 100 Port Orford cedar trees taken to the islands by the O.S.C. football team along with samples of Oregon products contributed by various chambers of commerce.

The seedlings were contributed by Curry county for introduction into Hawaii where it is believed they will thrive.

## Punchboards Are Next On Portland's Cleanup

PORTLAND, Feb. 4.—(AP)—With slot machines gone, Mayor Dorothy McCullough Lee turned her attention today to punchboards.

She said she would ask the city attorney whether question-and-answer boards are legal. They long have been tolerated under the city license code—and punchboards have yielded about \$120,000 annually in license fees.

Earlier George Neuner, attorney general, said that any game or device "played for money, checks, credits or any other representative of value" is forbidden under Oregon law.

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To help food processors make use of this method of judging foods, the department of food technology of the O. S. C. experiment station has issued a mimeographed circular of information giving details of procedure followed. A simplified procedure is recommended using a maximum of 12 tasters on a maximum of four samples at a time.

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## Catholic Priest Praises Treatment in Russia

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—(AP)—A Roman Catholic priest, just back from Moscow, says he "got better service" in the Soviet capital than the American embassy got.

The Rev. George Antonio LaBerge made the comment on his arrival here by plane.

He said he was well treated during his three years in the Soviet Union, that he was allowed to travel where he wished, and that he knew of no restrictions placed on Roman Catholics in Moscow.

Father LaBerge is apostolic administrator and chaplain of Roman Catholic Americans in the Soviet capital.

A former professor at Assumption College in Worcester, Mass., he leaves today for his native Pawtucket, R. I., to visit his brother, Leon LaBerge.

He said there are probably "several thousand" Roman Catholics in Moscow.

He said he and a French associate, The Rev. John Thomas, were "well treated as individuals and got better service than the (American) embassy."

He said he may remain out of the Soviet Union until March 20.

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One .32 caliber rifle with bullet moulds and powder horn—six head of fox hounds all with soft mouths except one. At the same time I will sell six Negro slaves, two men, 35 and 50 years old, two boys, 12 and 18, two Mulatto Wenchies, 40 and 35, to be sold together as will not separate them. My place is two miles South of Versailles, Kentucky, on McCann's Ferry Pike.  
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