



**MAIN BARN**—Part of the estimated 100 persons on the Cal-Oregon Hereford Breeders' association tour Sunday, June 26, can be seen in front of the main barn on the Lost River ranch, which has both commercial and breeding stock. Some of the best bulls owned by two California businessmen who bought the ranch were paraded in front of the visitors at the barn. Co-owner Ben Smith said experimentation will be a keynote of the ranch program.

### Swine Field Day Slated July 12 At Oregon State

Corvallis — Better use of Oregon-grown feeds and improved swine breeding and marketing systems will be key topics for the annual swine field day, July 12, at Oregon State college.

Sir John Hammond, world authority on animal breeding and professor of animal husbandry at Cambridge University, England, will be main speaker. He will discuss reproduction, growth, and carcass quality in swine.

Sponsored by the Western Oregon Livestock association and the OSC dairy and animal husbandry department, the program will open at 8:30 a.m. in Withycombe Hall.

James B. Nance, president of the National Swine Growers Council, Alamo, Tenn., will speak on "Challenges Facing Swine Producers" at a noon banquet featuring barbecued pork at the Benton County Fairgrounds near Corvallis.

**Test Results**

Swine breeding systems and performance test results from experiments at Oregon's new swine testing station near Hermiston will be reported by Dr. David England, OSC animal husbandry scientist and general chairman for the field day program.

Other OSC research reports will include a comparison of barley, corn, and milo rations for feed efficiency by Dr. J. E. Oldfield; and influence of production practices on carcass quality by Dr. W. H. Kenrick, both of the OSC dairy and animal husbandry department. Enzyme treatment to improve digestibility of barley for swine will be discussed by L. M. Larsen, OSC research fellow.

Buying swine on a "live hog" basis as compared with buying on carcass grade and yield basis will be reviewed by W. C. Heise, swine specialist for Swift and company, Chicago; and Douglas Chambers, president of Cascade Meat company, Salem.

The program will close with a 5 p.m. tour of OSC livestock research facilities and reports by staff members on current experiments. The Western Oregon Livestock association also co-sponsors sheep and wool and beef cattle days with OSC, reported Dean Frischknecht, OSC extension livestock specialist and association secretary.

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**AIR NETWORK**

Melbourne — Australia has airline service to about 400 cities, towns and ranch centers.



**A LOT OF BULLI**—This hefty Hereford was displayed at the Lost River ranch in Klamath county during the recent Cal-Oregon Hereford Breeders' association tour. Ben Smith and Eddie Bigger, both of Pasadena, Calif., bought the well-known ranch near the Lost River recently. Their main herd bull is 88 Silver Zato. Howard Miller, Hereford ranch manager for the partners, can be seen in the background to the left.

### Incentive Payment Schedule Given

By EUGENE WINTERS  
County Agent

Growers will receive wool incentive payments of \$43.20 for every \$100 they received from the sale of shorn wool during the 1959 marketing year, according to Albert Straus, agricultural stabilization and conservation chairman of Jackson county.

The rate of 43.2 per cent, just announced by the Department of Agriculture, represents the amount needed to bring average wool prices up to the previously announced incentive level of 62 cents per pound under the National Wool act.

The payment rate on sales of lambs that have never been shorn to compensate for the wool on them will be 75 cents per hundredweight of live animals sold. This payment is designed to discourage unusual shearing of lambs before marketing.

The chairman said the county ASC offices will begin making payments soon after July 1. Applications for the payments had to be filed by April 30, and covered marketings from April 1, 1959, through March 31, 1960.

To determine the wool incentive payment for an individual producer, Mr. Straus explained, the rate of 43.2 per cent is applied to the dollar return the producer received for wool after paying marketing charges. This method of payment is designed to encourage producers to do a good job of marketing their wool, for the producer who gets the best possible price for his wool also gets a higher incentive payment.

As approved by producers in a referendum last September, deductions of 1 cent per

### Texas Woman Seeks New Maid

Dallas, Tex.—(UPI)—The lady from a fashionable section of Dallas wanted to get her maid out of jail.

She called Detective W. S. Biggio of the Police Department's special services section Monday.

"I want to get her out. She has worked for me for three years," the woman told Biggio.

"Lady, we have arrested your maid," the detective replied. "But she" turned out to be a man dressed in woman's clothing."

The woman is advertising for a new maid.

**COLUMNIIST DIES**

New York — (UPI) — Mrs. Martha Seery Brunjes, 61, who directed the Friend in Need Department of the New York News and wrote the News' column on collections to aid needy persons under the pen-name Sally Joy Brown, died Monday.

pound from shorn wool payments and five cents per 100 pounds of liveweight from lamb payments will continue to be made for advertising, promotion, and related market development activities on wool and lamb.

### Milk Audit Study Approaching End, Ag Dept. Reports

Salem — An approval "in principle" of suggested changes in the state Grade A milk audit law was voiced by the special Milk Audit Advisory committee at conclusion of its meeting June 28 in Salem.

The committee action came after a third draft of proposed revisions drawn up, at the committee's request, by the state department of agriculture.

The committee, with Frank Rood of North Bend as chairman, represents all phases of the dairy industry and the three general farm organizations. Since April it has been studying ways to make the 1957 milk audit law more effective. The changes upon which the committee has reached general agreement entail a complete revision of the present law for submission to the legislature.

The proposals establish a declaration of policy, and guide posts, and provide for circuit court appeal if a handler does not agree with findings of the department of agriculture as reached in the original audit and a re-audit.

The committee, after some discussion, approved raising the poundage fee ceiling from three-fourths to one cent. The current fee is 7/10th of 1 cent.

E. A. Bamford Jr., milk audit supervisor for the department, assured the committee the department will continue to operate the program at the lowest possible cost.

Another change, proposed by a processor member, would write into the regulations provision for the regulation of shrinkage. As approved, 2 percent unexplained plant loss would be paid at the manufacturing price and additional shrinkage would take the fluid milk price.

**BATHING SUITS SHRINK**

New York — (UPI) — Five-ounce bathing suits for girls to replace the standard 16-ounce models are the textile industry's newest. They are made possible by a stretchable synthetic material so light it looks transparent when hanging on a line to dry. But against the girl's skin it turns opaque.

### Farm Notes

Washington — (UPI) — The Agriculture Department said today peach and sweet cherry production would rise this year, apples would hold steady but the overall deciduous fruit crop would fall below 1959.

In reviewing the fruit situation as of June 1, the department said some fruit crops in the Pacific Northwest and the northern Rocky Mountain area, particularly, have been cut by spring freezes.

Development and harvest of early-season fruits in the southern states and California were impaired by cold, wet weather during the spring.

Early season prices for such new-crop fruit as peaches, plums, and apricots were somewhat above a year earlier. The department said the demand of consumers was expected to continue strong.

Washington — (UPI) — Farm prices plunged two per cent in mid-June under the impact of a general decline. Beef cattle, potatoes, eggs, and most vegetables showed the sharpest reductions, the Agriculture Department reported Thursday.

The decline left farm prices about 2.5 per cent lower than a year ago. Farm costs also declined nearly one per cent during the month.

The decline in farm costs was not as great as in farm prices received. Consequently, the parity ratio dropped to 79 per cent.

The department plentiful foods list for July is topped by turkeys. Other plentiful for the hot-weather month include ice cream, peaches, summer vegetables, watermelons, lemons, peanut butter, and vegetable fats and oils.

The department's food distribution division offered this "menu of the month" for July: Breakfast — chilled citrus juice, eggs, broiled fresh peach half, sausage patties, hot buttered toast, peanut butter, butter or margarine, and milk; lunch — creamed turkey on parsley — buttered noodles, garden-fresh green peas, crisp-tossed salad with oil and vinegar dressing, assorted bread, butter or margarine, milk, and fresh peach sundae; dinner — tomato juice, barbecued turkey, french fried potatoes, butter green beans, watermelon salad, hot rolls, butter or margarine, milk,

and lemon-lime meringue pie.

The department has announced resumption of the egg purchase program as a means of stabilizing egg prices to producers.

The purchase program was suspended in mid-May when it appeared prices had stabilized at reasonable levels. Prices recently dropped substantially below the levels prevailing at the time the program was suspended.

The purchases will be of dried whole egg solids. They will be used for the school lunch program and for welfare of needy persons and charitable institutions.

**Oregon Studying Washington Idea On Self-Help**

Salem—The Oregon Department of Agriculture is making a close study of the June 7 opinion of Judge George H. Freese of the Washington Superior court at Walla Walla which held the Washington agricultural enabling act to be unconstitutional. The litigation concerned action against the Washington Wheat commission.

The Oregon department has been informed that the decision of the superior court, which compares with the circuit court in Oregon, will be appealed to the Washington Supreme court.

The opinion is of interest to agricultural leaders and farmers here because some of the language of the Washington act parallels that of the Oregon commodity commission enabling act. Under the Washington act, passed in 1935, commodity commissions or self-help farmer and grower programs are established.

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The Oregon department of agriculture at Salem has a limited number of copies of the opinion available for interested parties.

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### Farm Safety Week Set July 24-30; Hazards Stressed

Corvallis — State agricultural and educational organizations are cooperating this year to focus attention on National Farm Safety Week in Oregon, July 24 to 30, with the theme "Enjoy Farm Life—Practice Safety."

Safe use and handling of farm chemicals and safety in recreational and water activities on the farm will be stressed, reported state chairman Keith Sime, Portland, representing the Agricultural Chemicals Association.

Mrs. Mabel Mack, assistant director of Oregon State College extension service and secretary for Safety Week, said information and educational materials have been sent to all Oregon counties to help stress farm safety not only for the special week but for the entire year.

**Accidents Expensive**

Accidents to farm people cost the nation an estimated \$1 billion yearly, according to the National Safety Council which points out that there are four times as many accidental deaths in farming than in manufacturing.

Oregon 4-H youths will take an active part in this year's program, calling attention to safety in use of chemical pesticides through demonstrations at county fairs and State Fair. Demonstration contests with prize money are sponsored by the Western Agricultural Chemical Association.

Safety week committee members appointed by the Governor's committee on farm safety represent Oregon Farm Bureau Federation, Oregon State Grange, State Industrial Accident Commission, Pacific Northwest Hardware and Implement association, State Department of Education, Portland Implement and Tractor association, Oregon Association of Cooperatives, and Agricultural Chemicals association, and Oregon State College extension service.

Washington — (UPI) — An Agriculture department survey shows that average prices received by farmers for feed grains have risen about 8 per cent since December—but May prices still were about 5 per cent lower than May, 1959. Corn accounted for most of the rise on an advance of 11 cents a bushel from December to May.

However, the May average of \$1.07 per bushel was 8 cents lower than a year ago, and 5 cents below the 1959 national average support level.

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### GARDENING TIPS

By DON BERRY  
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**YELLOW-JACKET AND WASP CONTROL**

Yellow jackets and wasps are sometimes troublesome in the spring and summer. In spite of the fact that these insects are beneficial in that they kill and eat such pests as flies, cutworms and grubs, they are also dangerous because of their serious stings.

The easiest way for a home owner to eliminate this danger is to treat the nests with an insecticide. Night is the best time to destroy a wasp nest because they are less active then. Applying a Chlor-dane dust into the opening of the yellow jacket nest, or dusting the umbrella shaped paper wasps nests found in the rafters of the attic or the garage with a household or garden type duster generally kills the insects within 24 hours.

Individual wasps entering the home can be killed with a flyswatter or a direct spray from an aerosol bomb.

Treatment for wasp stings include applying an ice pack and following with a paste made of water and baking soda. People who react severely to wasp stings should get medical attention immediately.

**WATER LAWS**

With the very hot, dry weather, lawns are beginning to show the need for water. Moisture conditions are good down deep in some soils, but surface moisture is being rapidly depleted by the grass.

The need for water is indicated by a dry, green, and often wilted, appearance of the grass where severe brown patches develop.

Lawns should be watered before they become too dry. As the soil becomes drier, it becomes increasingly difficult to get it to absorb water.

Apply the water slowly to permit good absorption. Apply enough to allow moisture penetration to a depth of six inches or more. Test it and be sure you are getting the lawn well soaked.

**BERRY PESTS**

One of the pests of interest to our berry growers, both commercial and backyard gardeners, are thrips. Each year we get a lot of inquiries about controlling the tiny, thread-like black bugs about one-sixteenth of an inch long present on raspberries and boysenberries.

It is not difficult to control the thrips present on the berries, but since they are generally present on many weeds, flowers, grasses and other plants, keeping a patch clean is hard because of the constant reinfestation.

Repeated sprays of Malathion between pickings will materially reduce the thrips in a berry patch. Berries should not be picked for three days after spraying, and should be washed before eating.

**BUILT-IN HEAT**

Roadville, N.C.—(UPI)—Rockingham Cannery Enterprises has developed a food can with a built-in heater costing only a nickel. The can has an extra bottom which unfolds, forming a tiny stove and a heat-generating tablet.

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