

NEWS ABOUT THE Farm

Herd Culling Vital to Dairy Farmer's Profits

There's a big difference in cows. Some dairy cows are not capable of good production no matter how well they are fed and managed. You can use production records to eliminate such animals, says Ed Malcheski, dairy husbandman at the University of Wisconsin.

The average cow in Wisconsin produces 7000 pounds of milk a year. DHIA records show that this cow will eat her way through \$120 worth of feed. Other costs will be about \$70. With milk at \$3.50 a hundredweight, she'll return the farmer around \$55 for his labor.

Now take the cow that produces 11,000 pounds of milk. Her feed costs will be almost \$170 and she'll cost a farmer \$84 additional. But she'll return \$134 to the farmer for his labor — more than double the return on the average cow.

Feed each cow according to her ability to produce. In feeding dairy cows, it's the personal touch that tips the milk scales in your favor. You're traveling the road to efficiency when you feed each cow according to her ability to produce.

Cows differ in their need for feed. A good cow fed correctly uses about half her ration for maintenance—the other half to produce milk. Feed her too much and the extra nutrients go into body fat; feed her too little and milk production suffers. You can strike a happy medium by feeding in proportion to milk-producing ability.

The weigh-a-day-a-month record keeping plan gives you the production figures you need for correct feeding. It's a simple low-cost plan which helps in culling and in the selection of herd replacements, too.

Ask your county agricultural agent about this new dairy record keeping plan. If you keep no production records now, the WADAM program is designed especially for you.

Visitors Thursday evening at the Ray Larson home were Mrs. E. C. Van Petten of Ontario and Mrs. Frank Van Petten of Los Angeles, Calif.



4-H CLUB ACTIVITIES

By County Extension Agents

4-H Organization

Many of the 4-H clubs over the county have either organized or are making plans to hold their organization meetings during the next two weeks. We have received enrollment blanks in the office for the club which Mrs. Tom Ogura and Mrs. V. A. Holady plan to lead in the Cairo community. Mrs. Ogura will help the group with cooking and Mrs. Holady will help with sewing.

The Ontario Heights livestock club held their organizational meeting a week or so ago. Clark Ruse is serving as leader for this club with George White, assistant leader and Waunita White as junior leader.

The Willowcreek Livestock club has over 30 members enrolled this year. This makes it one of the largest livestock clubs in the county. Leaders are Grady Romans and Stuart Griffin. Officers are Margaret Burk, president; Lynn Reagan, vice president; Myrna Pershall, secretary and Sally Griffin, news reporter. Projects include eleven beef, ten dairy, five sheep, and five swine.

We know of other clubs which have organized but we do not have their enrollments in the office as yet.

Achievement Meetings

Mrs. Orville Hickman, Arcadia, planned a combination organization and achievement meeting for her club Wednesday afternoon in her home. The group met at 4 p.m. and received achievement awards. Reviewed the year's work and organized their club for this year.

The Oregon Trail Grange has planned a 4-H achievement meeting for the club members in their community. This meeting will be-

gin with a pot-luck dinner beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Grange hall in this community. 4-H members from the Oregon Trail, Buena Vista, Chalk Butte and Arcadia communities will be guests of the Grange, and receive their awards at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Kesler spent Friday evening visiting with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Goodfellow on Oregon Slope.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Hopkins spent Thursday and Friday visiting at the Walter Laurence ranch at Prairie City, Ore.

10-Year Members

Last week we reported that nine members had completed their tenth year of 4-H club work and would receive their special 10-year awards at their community achievement meetings. When we finally completed all our statistical records we ran on to three more. They were Lynette Seburn of Arcadia, Nellie Vander Oord of Oregon Trail and Darlene Davis. This makes a total of 12 that are now completing 10 years of 4-H, the largest group we have ever had in any one year.

New Material Out
4-H club members and leaders will be working with several new year.

For the leaders there is a completely new pamphlet listing all 4-H club projects, and instruction bulletins and material available for each project. This gives the leader a chance to know all materials available, and to order whatever materials are needed or desired for each club. A handy order blank is available for use of the leaders in ordering their supplies.

New bulletins are available for the Sew, It's Fun and Charmingly Yours division of the clothing project. The bachelor sewing and the Teen Age Miss divisions are being completely revised and will be available later. There are new leader guides out for most of the clothing divisions.

The outdoor cooking project has been revised, and there is a new leaders guide out that covers all divisions of the cookery project. New material is also available for the electricity, forestry, and woodworking projects. Much of this new material has been sorely needed for sometime, and will be a real help to better projects.

Farm and Barn News and Views

By LeRoy Pulliam

Trimming cost is important to stockmen, but so is another kind of trimming. It might be a good idea to start at the bottom by trimming the cow's feet.

When cattle are confined on soft bedding or are pastured on soil lacking abrasive material, the hoofs grow faster than they are worn off. This results in long toes that will eventually cause discomfort to the cow in standing or walking. Unless the hoofs are trimmed, lameness and a crippled condition may result.

The hoofs should be trimmed by chiseling off the forepart of the toe and rasping or chiseling off the excessive growth underneath. Extreme care must be exercised to avoid injury to the quick, which would lead to infection and additional lameness.

If the toes are too long, they may break off and get very sore, causing the cow to favor one foot. This puts unnecessary strain on the other legs and will weaken the whole cow.

If the front feet are not trimmed, the cow will either toe out or toe in with age and the ridge on the bottom of the hoof will become hard and sore. This may cause a cow to lean against the stanchion to support her weight. In time, this may cause winged shoulders which could result in loss of several years production.

Also, this ridge on the bottom of the foot will collect manure and dirt until it becomes full and level. This manure pack on the bottom of the foot makes the foot soft in the center and is a good place for foot rot to start. This will cause a loss of milk for from one week to six months, depending on how serious it becomes before detected. Or, if the animal is in the feed lot, the rate of gain will reduce.

For the dairyman, the hind feet are more important than the front in this respect. If the hock turns in, it will injure the rear udder and allow mastitis to get a start. Breaking away of the rear udder can also result in loss of production.

Weak pasterns, cycle hocks or high arched backs may come from bad feet. The weak pastern will hinder the cow in grazing and also may cause breeding trouble. The cycle hock will get so weak that the cow cannot walk properly. This will make her hunt shade tree instead of feed.

Foot rot is often found in cattle

Home Extension Holds Meeting At Local Home

Members of the Nyssa Home Extension unit met at the home of Mrs. Bill Fitzsimmons Tuesday Oct. 22 at 8 p.m. for a lecture on "Dried Flower Arrangements."

Mrs. Fern Runcorn was in charge of the project. Mrs. Albert Gifford second leader was unable to attend due to illness.

Mrs. Clarence Raymond and Mrs. Runcorn served refreshments to 19 members and three guests. After adjournment of the meeting the group presented Mrs. Dwight Mason with a baby shower gift.

Mrs. Mable Holwagner and Dolores of Los Angeles, Calif., are visiting this week with the former's brother, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Myrick.

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Dick McIntyre of Uliak, Ore., was an overnight guest of the Elvin Ballou family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Garner visited Mrs. Mary McConnell at Fayette, Wednesday.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for the flowers, sympathy, and thoughtfulness extended to us at the time of loss of our loved one.

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Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Adams and family
Mr. and Mrs. John Adams and family
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Adams and family
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Mr. and Mrs. Don Graham and Mr. and Mrs. Emil Paulus spent Sunday, Oct. 20, deer hunting on Pole Creek.

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Thursday, Nov. 7, starting at 10 a.m. sharp—Be sure to attend the Burt Haverfield livestock dispersal sale, located 1/2 mile west and 1 1/2 miles south of Emmett, Ida. Sale consists of 642 head of livestock, largest sale to be held in the valley this year. 200 head of dairy cattle, 36 registered Polled Herefords, 275 head of stock cattle, 125 head of yearling Holstein heifers, milking equipment, 131 head of sheep. 4 horses include Palomino gelding, 2 Palomino quarter horses and sorrel mare. 3 ranches for sale by owner.

Nov. 4, 12:30 p.m.—J. D. McAllister, owner. Public farm sale situated 6 1/2 miles southeast of New Plymouth, 2 miles south of Hamilton corner and 1 1/2 miles east. 30 head Holstein dairy cattle include 16 high-producing cows, 9 heifers from 6 to 18 months old, ABS breeding. Farm machinery includes 2 John Deere tractors, complete line of equipment. Dairy equipment, hay, 1 horse and household goods.

Nov. 5, 1 p.m.—Be sure to attend the C. B. "Charley" Cameron dairy dispersal sale, located 2 miles north and 3 1/2 miles west of Emmett, Ida. Sale includes 48 head of dairy and beef cattle, 12 heifer calves 2 to 10 months old, 2 Holstein bull calves. Equipment includes 2 milking machines, hay chopper and miscellaneous. 160 bales of hay, 1300 bales of straw, grain.

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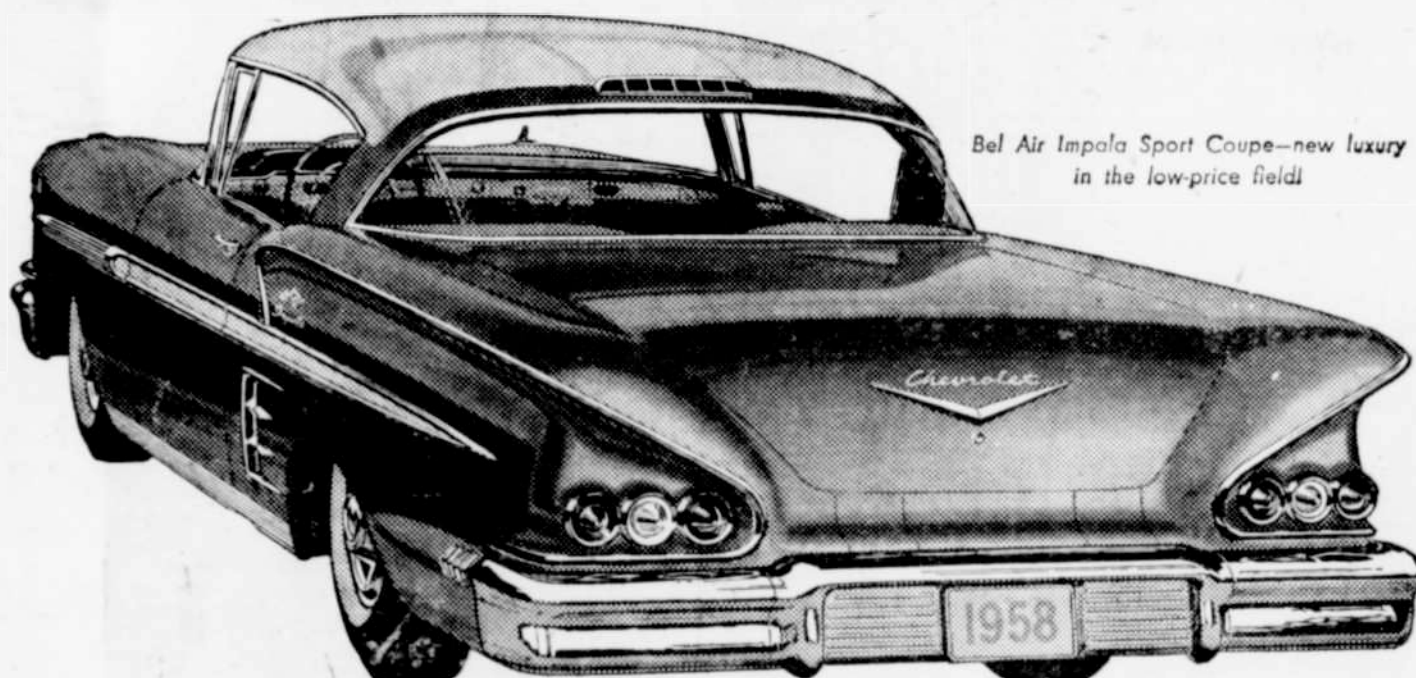
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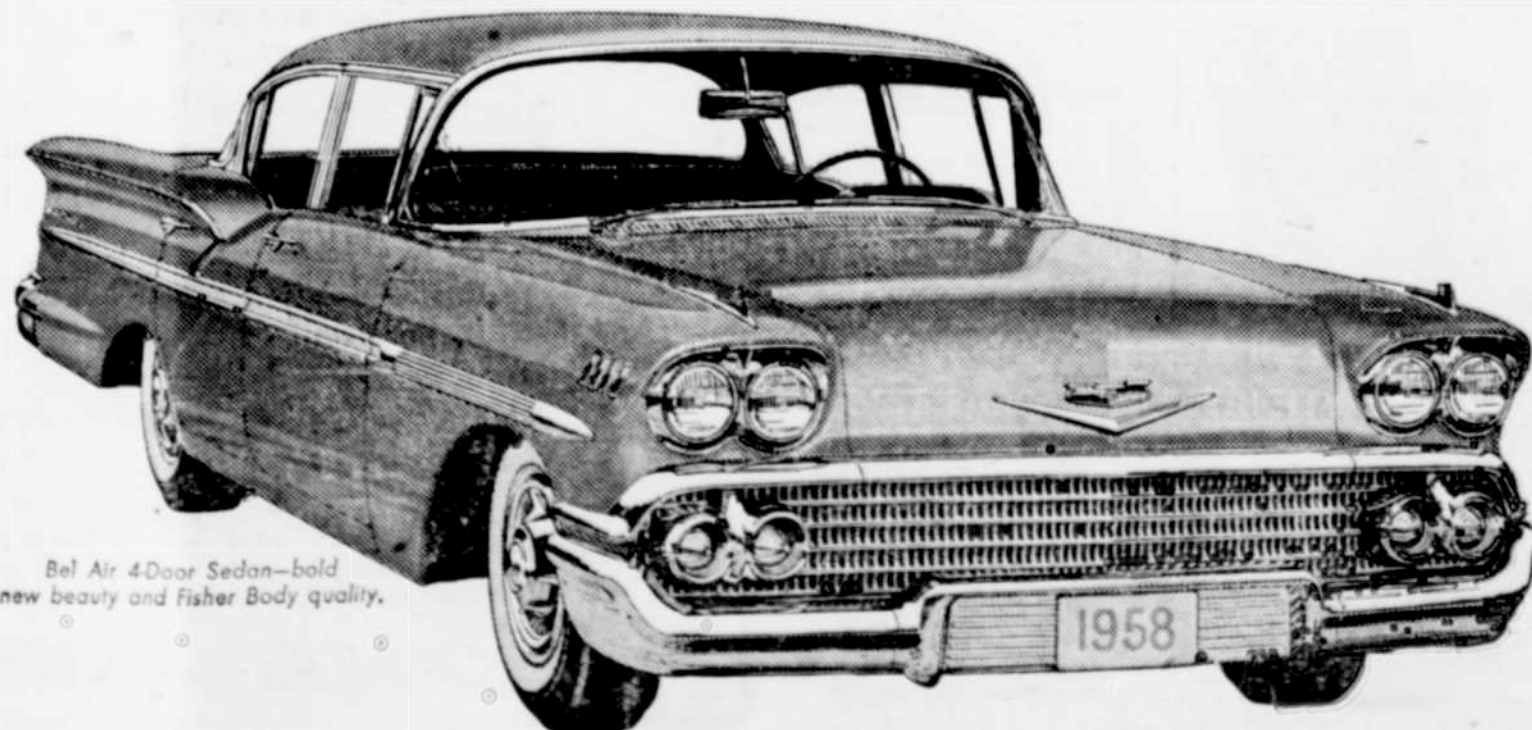
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