## **Tobacco Buying** In Conn. Valley 40 Pct. Complete

Tobacco buyers in the Connecticut Valley were out early this | mal Health suggested today. year and it is estimated that the binder crop there is now about 40 per cent sold

Quality there is the lowest in years due to the drouth Production is down. It is estimated that only 3,000 acres of binder were grown during the past season

Valley growers are under the government price support program which gives them a 60 cent a pound floor under the product Most of the tobacco moved sold for this figure or a few cents higher.

Of four major cigar manufactuiers, two are not buying strongly One company is showing only a moderate interest in the crop, and the other has been very strong in the field.

A note of interest in the tobacco trade is that buyers in the burley areas of Tennessee and Lentucky are buying leaf this year that would never have reachcd the ouction floor in other years. The tobacco most in demand there is a large heavy dark leaf instead of the usual light mild variety.

This year only about one per cent of the burley crop is going into government storage. This one per cent is light mild leaf that usually commands a premium in the cigarette trade.

Southern farmers are now growing tobacco more like it is grown here - using plenty of nitrogen to get a heavy dark leaí

Just how far this trend in production will continue is a matter of conjecture and some concern to Southern producers and buyers If the cigarette companies continue to desire strong dark leaves, it will mean the developinent of new types and varieties of tobacco plants and a drastic shift in the methods of production.



## Early Winter Months Are Good Time to check Livestock Health

The month of December, when surgery performed on livestock, aminations just as much as huprofits. The pressure of farm work slack. the Foundation said. Such opera-mans do," Foundation officials "Vent the pressure of farm work slackens somewhat, is a good time to have livestock examined and to inspect the farm's physical plant, the American Foundation for Ani-The slack farm season is a bulls for fertility.

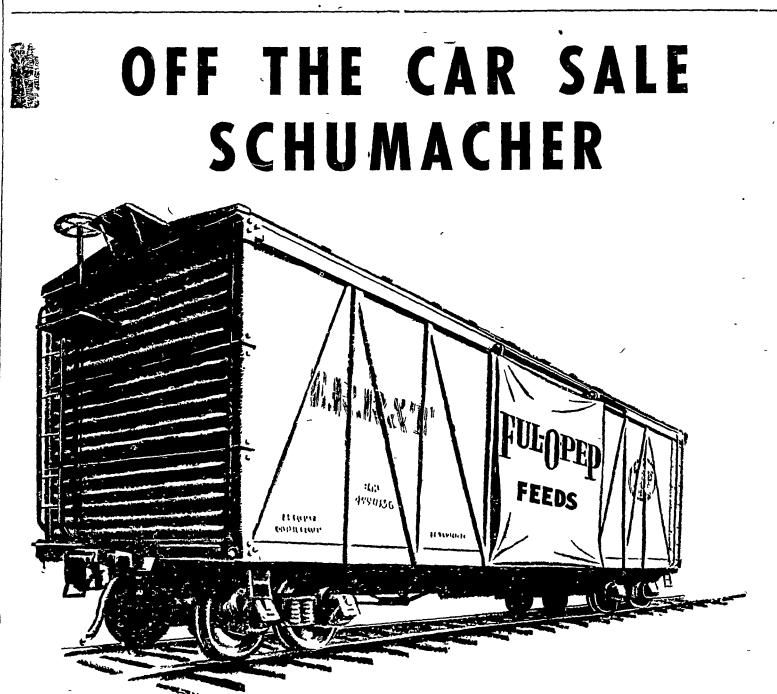
good time to have any needed

tions as dehorning cattle, trimming the feet of herd bulls and removing tusks from boars should be done this month. Farmers should have their veterinarian check dairy cows for mastitis, and

through the whole herd, or in learning of nutritional or breed-

"Ventilation of poultry houses, said. "An annual physical check- hog houses and dairy barns up in December or January can should also be checked. Frost ray real dividends, especially in formed on the ceiling of the barn detecting latest diseases before or house is an indication of faulty they have a chance to spread ventilation. It contributes to pneumonia in pigs by causing the

"Livestock need physical ex- ing problems which could hamper animals to become chilled.





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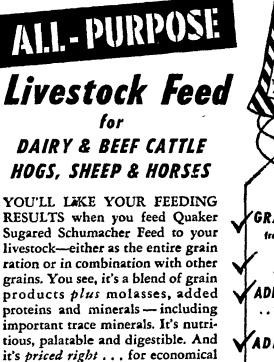
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