

Time Application Carefully For Best Alfalfa Weevil Control

Under no circumstances should Dieldrin or Heptachlor be applied as an insecticide on any forage crop this spring, County Agent, M. M. Smith said this week.

Dieldrin is recommended for use as a fall-applied control for both spittlebugs and alfalfa weevil, but heptachlor is not approved for use on any forage crop, Smith cautioned.

Where Dieldrin was used on alfalfa last fall, no spray application will be needed on the first cutting. Where Dieldrin was not used last fall, a Methoxychlor spray will be needed for the control of weevil and spittle bug.

The Spray should be delayed as long as possible for best control, but when general feeding by the larvae starts, farmers should be ready to move into the field. The time will vary from field to field, but in most cases spraying date will be about May 10. Growers should keep close watch on the fields and not spray too soon. Reports indicate more fields are sprayed too early

than too late. Rate of application is three-quarters of 25 per cent emulsion of Methoxychlor in at least 25 gallons of water per acre.

Smith recommends that farmers have the Spray material on hand and ready to go to work when the time is right.

Frey Is Speaker At New Holland Baby Beef Club

(by: CARL E. WEAVER)

The monthly meeting of the New Holland 4-H Baby Beef Club was held Friday, March 17, at the home of Richard and Harold Lehman. President Richard Lehman presided over the business meeting, which included the

decision that the club would hold its monthly meeting of the future in the Bareville Fire Hall, due to the increase of members in the club. Sponsoring the 4-H Magazine in a high school or local business firm was also discussed.

Comments and advice were given to the members by their four club leaders concerning control of insects and diseases prevalent in calves in this season.

Fred Frey, the evening's guest speaker, stressed the proper feeding programs, the importance of training, and exercise, and overall grooming of show calves that are necessary in producing the best results at show time.

The business meeting was adjourned and a short special program followed.

Penn Del Reliable Georgia Bell, a junior 2-year-old, Guernsey, owned by R. F. and L. A. Witmer, Willow Street R1, produced 10,150 lbs. of milk and 542 lbs. of fat in 300 days. She was milked two times daily.

Plowing Contest Date Is Set

Allentown, Pa., March 24, The 1961 Pennsylvania Plowing Contest will be held on August 18 on the Donald E. Lichtenwalner farm, Macungie, R.D. 1, Charles Slaton, Harrisburg, chairman, announced today following a meeting of the planning committee.

In the state meet new champions will be named in both contour and level land plowing. On hand to defend their titles will be the 1960 champions, Morris J. Lebo, Millersburg, contour, and Frank Kocevar, Harrisburg, R.D. 1, level land. They won last year's meet August 10 on the Frank J. Dice farm, Chambersburg, R.D. 4.

The plowing matches will be a feature of the annual Macungie Field Day, an event sponsored by the Macungie Grange.

Members of the committee in charge, with Slaton, include representatives of the Agricultural Extension Service, vocational agriculture teachers, the host farmer, and other interested persons.

NEW SAUSAGE PACKAGE

A vacuum-sealed film package is the newest thing for wieners and other sausage products, reports Catherine Love, Penn State extension consumer economics specialist. Introduced by two major meat companies, the 12-oz. packages consist of two separately sealed sections of four sausages each, bonded to make a single unit. Products in these packages stay fresh longer and retain their color and flavor.

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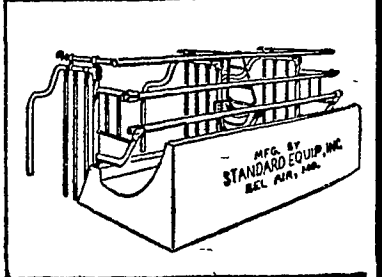
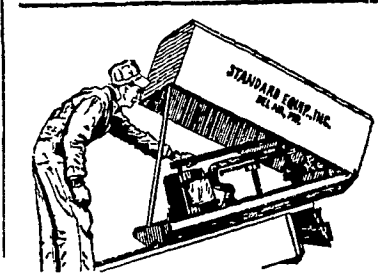
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