

Crop Summary

Rains Aid Tobacco, Corn Crops

Rain on Thursday was general over the county and brought hay making operations to a halt. Corn and tobacco in the field were refreshed by the showers which brought relief to certain sections of the county where drought signs were beginning to appear.

Pasture clipping in the county is fairly common as much of the first crop of alfalfa has been made and tobacco is all planted on quite a few farms. Pastures were beginning to show signs of dry weather but are still producing good quantities of forage.

Grass is becoming a problem in some cornfields, but cultivation of the crop is well advanced and little weed problem has been reported.

Unseasonably high temperatures during the past week caused little or no ill effects to the State's vegetable crops the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service said Tuesday in its weekly crop and weather summary.

Keystone State farmers enjoyed ideal farm working conditions. Corn planting has been completed in almost all sections and hay making has begun with many farmers having completed the first cutting of alfalfa. Other major activities were making grass silage, cultivating corn and spraying for weeds.

High temperatures brought strawberries into the high volume stage in southern and central counties and harvesting will begin this week in the Erie region. Quality of the crop is good in all sections.

Snap beans, cucumbers, tomatoes and cabbage all benefit from the higher temperatures. Early pea harvest continues with good quality and yield; later plantings of lettuce have headed and are being cut; lima beans are in generally good condition; and early sweet corn now shows 10 to 12 inches of growth.

Fruit is sizing rapidly. Sour cherries are starting to turn color in the Blue Mountain region and picking of sweet cherries in the area should begin shortly. Growers are continuing spray programs for disease and insects.

Barley has begun to turn color in the southern section of the State and is heading in the remaining part. Wheat is almost completely headed

★ Bride's Kitchen
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- 1½ cups (large can) undiluted evaporated milk
- 1 teaspoon grated lemon rind
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- ½ cup lemon juice
- 2 cups (1 pint) cottage cheese

Mix crust ingredients. Spread sides of 9-inch spring form pan or 13x9-inch pan with soft butter. Press crumb mixture around sides and bottom. Beat sugar, gelatine, salt, eggs and 1 cup evaporated milk together in saucepan. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until custard coats spoon (about 3

heat. Add lemon rind and vanilla. Chill until mounds slightly when ped from spoon (about 40 minutes). Stir occasionally while mixture is cooling. Chill remaining evaporated milk in refrigerator until soft ice crystals around edges of tray (15 to 20 minutes). Whip till stiff (about 2 minutes). Add lemon juice and very stiff (about 1 to 2 minutes longer). With the beaters, beat chilled custard and cottage cheese together until light and fluffy (2 minutes). Fold in evaporated milk. Spoon crumb crust. Chill until about 2 hours. Serve or with strawberries.

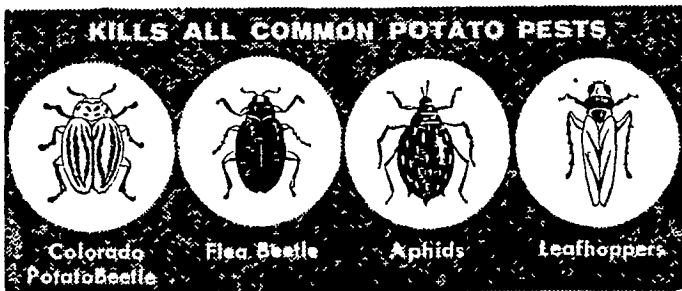
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