

● Grass Silage

(Continued from Page 13) suggestions are made (1) Mow, condition, and wilt to 50% moisture, (2) Chop short and full rapidly being sure to distribute the forage evenly in the silo, (3) Seal the top with wet silage and plastic cap (4) Be careful that each of these stages is done properly. The feeding value of green alfalfa, clover, or grasses cut at the proper time is still very good but methods of preserving must be practiced to hold this feeding value. It is the sincere feeling that reduced moisture before it is put into the silo is one way to improve the quality of grass silage. Many livestock producers will

benefit by making some good grass silage each spring to be used as insurance against drouth and to supplement summer pastures.

● Bankers Award

(Continued from Page 13) Mary Ann Musser, Manheim R1, is taking her training at a hospital in Harrisburg. The awards are made annually to 4-H club members by the bankers association.

Germination test for soybeans requires a week after the pure seed has been selected from the sample while the germination test for oats requires 10 days.

Dry cows and springer heifers should receive excellent quality forage say dairy scientists at the state university. Feeding low quality forage deficient in Vitamin A may result in weak calves. If forage quality is low, feed two pounds of alfalfa meal per cow per day. This should be done for at least one month before calving.

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