the second of th Strawberries May be Planted In May If Stored Properly

duction costs by delaying the later than April. planting date two to three June planting is made by a many east coast nurserymen. of Agriculture reports

Strawberry growers who crown size of strawberries green foliage and vigorous use cold-stored plants may be planted in April, May, or June. roots for as long as 10 months able to reduce first-year pro- Growers normally plant no in cold storage. Cold-stored

months, the U.S. Department handling and storing method in which dormant plants are oped for storing plants in In tests at Beltsville, Md, dug in winter months, bundl- good condition over a period less labor was required for ed in crates lined with polye- of many months, setting in weed control and removal of thylene, and stored at 30° March or April was recomexcess runner plants in plots F This method was develop- mended. Most east coast set in June than in plots set ed in previous USDA research strawberry growers still plant April or May. The research by horticulturist John T. this early, even if they use workers found no significant Worthington, of the Agricul- cold-stored, differences in yield, fruit size, tural Marketing Service, and packaged plants. amount of fruit decay, or Dr Donald H. Scott, horticul-

turist of the Agricultural-Re- Lancaster Farming, Saturday, January 12, 1963-13 search Service.

Strawberry- plants handled this way retain their bright plants are available from

Before a method was devel-

In the date-of-setting tests, Mr Worthington and Dr Scott used plants of four varieties - Surecrop, Pocahontas, Sparkle, and Blakemore Matted strawberry beds were kept to a uniform width of two feet by periodic removal of excess runners. On the plots set in April, excess iunners were removed four times between August and October On the May-set plots, nunners were clipped three times between September and October On the June-set plots, a few runners were removed once, in October By the end of the growing season, plant density was the same on all plots, regardless of when they were planted.

Irrigation was necessary to give the June-set plants a good start But the need for irrigation is not necessarily point out, irrigation is desirable throughout the growing season, regardless of the planting time.



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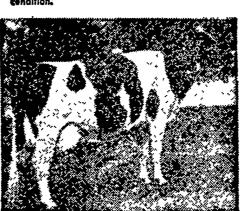
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