

# Australian Mutton Imports Stopped

USDA announced recently it has imposed a ban on imports of Australian mutton. The action, effective with mutton slaughtered after May 15, was taken by USDA's Consumer and Marketing Service, which charged

Australia's inspection system for mutton is deficient in that carcass identification is not adequate for proper inspection, disposition of questionable carcasses is not in accordance with requirements, and dressing and handling procedures are inadequate.

USDA officials said that the deficiencies in the Australian inspection system applied only to sheep slaughtering plants and that imports of Australian mutton into the U S may be resumed when the deficiencies are corrected.

U S meat imports subject to the Meat Import Law totaled 112 million pounds during March. That's down nearly 18 per cent from a year earlier. But, the January-March total, at 337.2 million pounds, is still nearly 48 per cent higher than the first three months of 1969.

Meat inspection systems in both Bulgaria and Romania have been determined to be equal to the inspection program in the U S. USDA announced. As a result, the two countries are now eligible to export meat to the U S.

# Frozen Desserts With Vegetable Fats Recently Became Legal

Frozen desserts, containing vegetable fats, previously banned by law, may be sold in Pennsylvania on and after May 18, the State Agriculture Department announced recently.

The frozen desserts include Melloine and Paievine which resemble ice cream in appearance, consistency and flavor. They are products in which vegetable fat replaces milk fat.

Another frozen dessert product whose sale became legal May 18 is Lo Mel, a mix which

is used by drive in eating places which prepare a thick drink resembling a milk shake.

A bill permitting the sale of non-dairy fat frozen desserts similar to ice cream was signed into Pennsylvania law last summer. Actual sale of the products was held up until rules and regulations were adopted.

Regulations adopted by the Department's Bureau of Foods and Chemistry place these restrictions on selling and dispensing the frozen desserts.

Melloine can be sold only in properly labeled packages of one half gallon. It cannot be dispensed and served from a soft-serve freezer.

Paievine, a non-dairy product used mostly by Jewish people, can be sold only in factory filled properly labeled one half gallon containers. It may be served for consumption on the premises provided a sign or menu states that "Paievine is Served Here."

Lo-Mel may not be served in a cone, dish nor be frozen hard. The sale of Lo-Mel is restricted to eating establishments.

State Agriculture Secretary Leland H. Bull said the "same high sanitation standards" required by the State Agriculture Department in the past for ice cream products will apply to the frozen dessert products.

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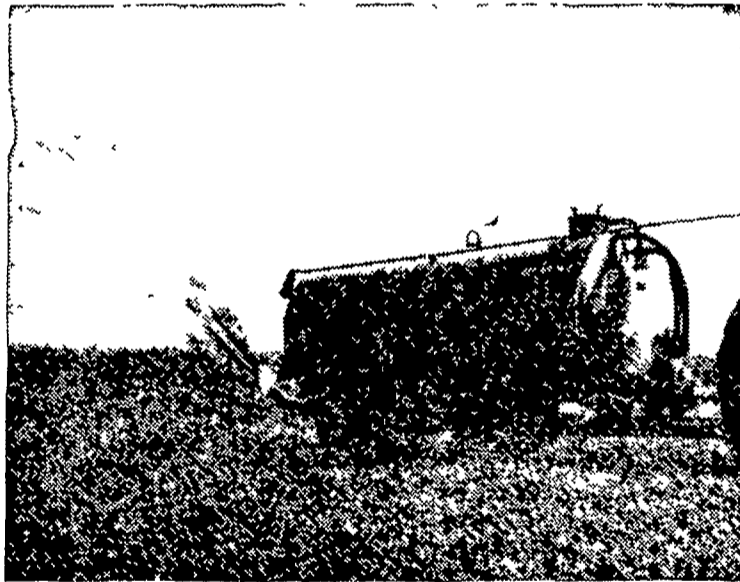
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The County officers were also present.

Mrs. Wilbur Heller conducted a business meeting and heard a review of the Spring Rally at Camp Hill. It was also noted that Mrs. Virgil Dupstadt, state president, is gravely ill and enjoys hearing from farm women.

Mrs. Kenneth Smithson, Willow Street, presented a program about people in the Bible, depicted by 7 inch dolls. She dressed the dolls based on all the findings concerning description from Bible passages.

The June meeting of Society 9 will be held at the home of Mrs. Elmer Huber, Marticville.

### Society 30

Mrs. Rosene Martin, York, presented a demonstration of flower arrangements at a mother and daughter tea held by Society of Farm Women 30 at the Harvest Drive Restaurant, Gordonville RD1.

Hostesses were Mrs. Lester Neff, Mrs. Marvin High, Mrs. Arnold King and Mrs. Vernon Esch.

A gift was presented to Mrs. Clayton Zeiser, Ephrata RD1, the mother attending the tea who had the most daughters. A medallion was presented by Mrs. Titus Yoder. The "New Life Singers," a ladies trio, presented the musical portion of the program.

The next meeting will be held June 15 at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Eugene Neff, Christiana. A "come as you are" party is planned and also a plastics showing.

