

# NEBA Names New District Manager

Willard Odenwelder of Myerstown has been named to the position of Manager of NEBA Districts II and IV. He succeeds Larry Swenson who recently resigned from this position.

Willard, a three year veteran of the Marine Corps was originally employed by the former Lehigh Valley AI Coop on November 1, 1950. Since that time he has serviced more than 50,000 first service cows while working in the Lehigh Lebanon Berks area.

As a NEBA District Manager, Odenwelder will be responsible for the selection, training, and supervision of technicians. He

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men There needs to be more cooperation between these two groups, he stressed.

Lloyd Bergsma of the Texas Cattle Feeders Association, Amarillo, Texas stressed the need for fast growing cattle that grade USDA Choice at 1,000 to 1,100 pounds. To do this they must marble and this is why feeders in his area prefer an Angus crossbred steer. Crossbreds, he said, usually outperform straightbreds, but if they won't grade they are simply not efficient.

Harold Tuma, Kansas State University, Manhattan, moderated the beef panel. He explained that in an informal survey conducted prior to the Forum, he found that about 70 per cent of the retailers he talked to want carcasses that grade average Choice or higher. Another 10 per cent will buy ungraded beef probably high Good and below, and the rest are in between. Every retailer, however, stressed the need for high cutability, he said. Some indicated they wanted 5 inch or less over the 12th rib and the remainder demand a yield grade of 2 or 3.

The final portion of the program was a demonstration to show how various types of cattle perform in the feedlot. The steers were all selected from one herd, but they represented short, dumpy cattle, more average size cattle, and longer-bodied longer-legged cattle. They were fed and two of each group were slaughtered by the University of Nevada. In general the longer cattle made faster gains and had less waste fat. The USDA grades were about the same as all but in the choice grade.

All the carcasses were measured for tenderness by Almon and Company's new Penderometer machine. The readings ranged from 12 to 14 on the Tenderometer machine. Anything under 18 is considered tender. This was only the second public demonstration of the machine which many hope will help accurately predict the tenderness of carcass beef.

The Forum was sponsored by the American and Western States Angus Associations in cooperation with the University of Nevada of Reno.

### FACTS ABOUT FARMING

There are estimated to be some 600 insect species which causes farmers of North America problems in food production. Over three billion dollars is spent annually to control these pests.

## Farm Calendar

**Saturday, June 6**  
11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. — Lancaster County Senior Extension Club chicken barbecue, Stauffer's Market, Rohrerstown

**Monday, June 8**  
7:30 p.m. — 4-H Avishure, Jersey Brown Swiss Club, home of Rohrer Witmer Willow Street RD2  
7:30 p.m. — Elm Pinery 4-H Club, Peryn Fire Hall

**Tuesday, June 9**  
10:30 a.m. — State Highways

Department hearing on Route 30, Harrisburg.  
7:30 p.m. — 4-H Elizabeth Donegal Community Club, home of Kenneth Bony, Mount Joy RD2  
7:30 p.m. — 4-H Guernsey Club, home of Jesse Balmer, Lititz RD4

**Wednesday, June 10**  
10:00 a.m. - Noon — 4-H Strawberry Round Up, Lancaster Rotary Club, Holiday Inn, Lancaster  
12:30 p.m. — 4-H Tractor Club to leave Farm and Home Center for tour of Caterpillar Plant, York.  
8:00 p.m. — Joint meeting of

Red Rose 4-H Beef and Lamb Club and New Holland 4-H Baby Beef Club, Lancaster Mayor Thomas J. Monaghan speaker, Farm and Home Center.  
**Thursday, June 11**

9:00 a.m. — 4-H dairy judging practice session, farm of Henry Kettering, Lititz RD3

7:30 p.m. — 4-H Lititz-Manheim Club, home of Raymond Stoner, 1051 Eden Road, Lancaster  
**Friday, June 12**

7:00 p.m. — Pennsylvania Egg (Continued on Page 12)



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