

Mertz appointed

NEW HOLLAND, PA — Terry N. Mertz, Rt. Gordonville, has been named to

PRUNES AND PLUMS

All prunes are plums but not all plums can become prunes. Only plums with a sugar content high enough so they can be dried without fermenting become prunes.

the position of Fried Chicken Department Supervisor in the Prepared Foods Division of Victor F. Weaver, Inc., New Holland.

Since joining Weaver in 1972, Mertz has held the position of group leader in the Weaver Fresh Processing Division.

In his new position as fried chicken supervisor, he will be responsible for one of Weaver's four fried chicken operations.

Agway names manager



Barry Wanbaugh

Barry Wanbaugh, 182 W. Main St., Windsor, has been named a district sales manager for Agway Insurance Co., it was an-

nounced today by Jack Eno, director of sales.

A graduate of York J. College in business administration, Wanbaugh was employed as an assistant district sales manager with Agway before being named manager. He joined the company in 1973 as an insurance field counselor.

He and his wife Nancy Jane have two children, Jettette Ann and Benjamin. Wanbaugh's territory includes eastern and central Pennsylvania.

Agway Inc. is a farm supply and food marketing business owned by 117,000 members and serves the 11 northeastern states. Agway Insurance Co., a wholly owned subsidiary, offers a full line of property, casualty, health-accident and life insurance to members and the general public.

U.S. Cows Tops in Yearly Milk Yields

Americans can be proud of their cows. Of all the milk cattle in the world's major dairy-producing countries, U.S. cows are the most productive. They churn out an average of slightly over 10,000 pounds of milk each per year, according to 1973 statistics.

Only the cows of Japan's rather small dairy industry yielded more close to 12,000 pounds.

No other country broke the 10,000 pound mark in 1973, though the Netherlands came within a couple of hundred. Scandinavian cows followed close behind in the world rankings, with Norway, Denmark, and Sweden all around the 9,000 pounds

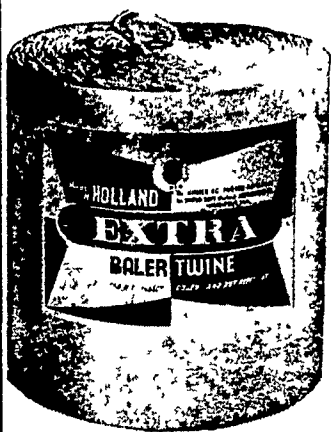
level.

New Zealand may boast of the largest herds in the world - averaging 105 head per farm versus 30 for U.S. - but its cow rank low on the milk scale. Their average yield was a bit over 6,200 pounds. Among the major producers, only Australian cows were tapped for less: an average of 5,900 pounds.

Yield per cow have proven to be closely related to the amount of concentrates the animals are fed. The American and Dutch cows are fed the most. The average U.S. dairy cow consumes over 4,000 pounds per year, and in Holland about 2,300.

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Bird guide published

A bird-bander's guide for the northeastern United States is the latest publication of Merrill Wood, author of the popular manual "Birds of Pennsylvania." The bird-bander's guide, like Wood's other item, is published by the College of Agriculture at The Pennsylvania State University.

The guide, he says, is a technical set of keys describing birds commonly banded in the northeastern states. Species included are the perchingbirds and a few other species commonly handled by bird banders. The guidebook is spiral bound and contains 181 pages. Mr. Wood retired last year as zoologist at The Pennsylvania State

University.

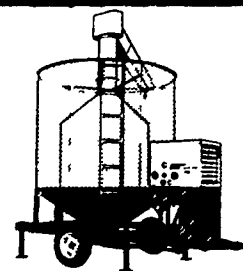
The full title is "A Bird-Bander's Guide to Determination of Age and Sex of Selected Species." It is considered useful not only for bird binders but also for other research workers needing to know the age and sex of live birds of the Northeastern United States.

Copies may be obtained for \$3.00 plus 18 cents Pennsylvania sales tax, prepaid, by writing to Bird-Bander's Guide, Box 6000, University Park, PA 16802.

Omitted are all of the "water birds," most of the hawks, all of the large and heavy-bodied game birds, most of the shorebirds, and most owls.

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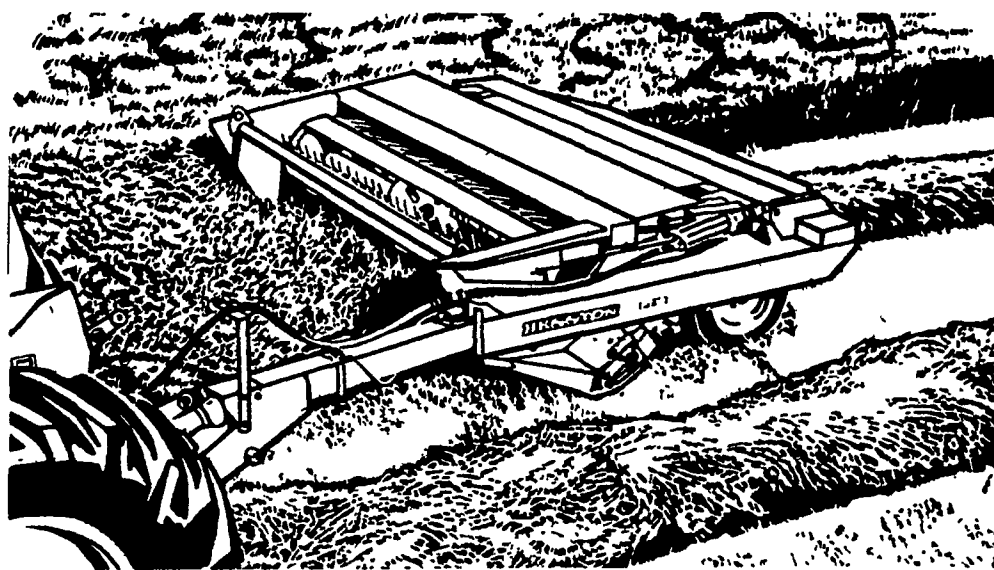
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