

Now Is The Time

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ect external parasites. Consult with your local veterinarian for materials to use for treatment. Don't try to operate with parasite infection—you will be the loser.

TO USE

FARM RECORDS

Good farm accounts are very necessary in today's agriculture. Not only do farmers need them for tax reporting purposes but for future farm planning. Now that 1979 is history, it would be a good time to spend some

hours evaluating the records trying to locate the leaks and the profitable enterprises. Time spent at your desk doing some "pencil pushing" is a vital part of good farm management. Good records provide the opportunity to compare the success of the various enterprises that make up the total farm business. Expansion, or elimination plans, can be made on the basis of past farm records. We urge farmers to utilize their records to the fullest.

UNIVERSITY PARK — In swine production, as in any manufacturing enterprise, profits depend on the dif-

TO TRANSFER SILAGE

Livestock and dairy producers who have had silage stored in temporary structures might be planning to move this feed into upright silos in the next month or so. Many producers use the temporary storage until some of the material is fed out of the upright silo. By transferring into the upright silo, mechanical feeders can be used. The objective is to move the silage during cold weather. The months of January and February should give this condition. When transferred during warm weather (above 50 degrees) there is danger of more heating of the silage. No preservative should be needed. The faster the material can be moved into the upright silo, the better it will settle and push out the air.

ference between cost of production and gross return received for the product.

Farmers have little control over the price they get for hogs, but they can do much to reduce production costs and thus increase profits.

"Commercial Swine Production and Marketing," a correspondence course available from Penn State, is

a comprehensive guide for the commercial swine producer or farmer with a hog enterprise.

The 16-lesson course includes information on planning and financing the enterprise, buildings and equipment, improving the swine herd through breeding, feeding and nutrition, marketing live

hogs, and all aspects of swine health.

Complete information is given on levels of performance of boars and gilts, reproductive problems, and swine ration formulas, etc. The course is available by sending \$8.50 plus 1.00 postage to Swine, Box 5000, University Park, PA 16802. Make checks payable to Penn State.

Safe slimming classes slated

MEDIA — If losing weight is one of your resolutions for the new year, the Delaware County Penn State Extension Service has a series of meetings that may be just right for you, says Greta C. Vairo, Extension Home Economist.

Each Friday morning beginning January 18, from 9 to 10 p.m. for 15 weeks, there will be a meeting to help you

"Slim Safely." The series will be held in the Toal Building Auditorium, corner of 2nd & Orange Sts. Media, and are free to the public.

The slimming program is a combination of behavioral modifications and a sound easy-to-follow diet. Participants can expect to lose one to two pounds per week. Rapid weight losses are not safe and usually do not last.

Since enrollment is limited, please apply only if you are strongly motivated. To enroll call the Extension Service at 891-2491. Give your name, address, phone number, and the program for which you are applying.



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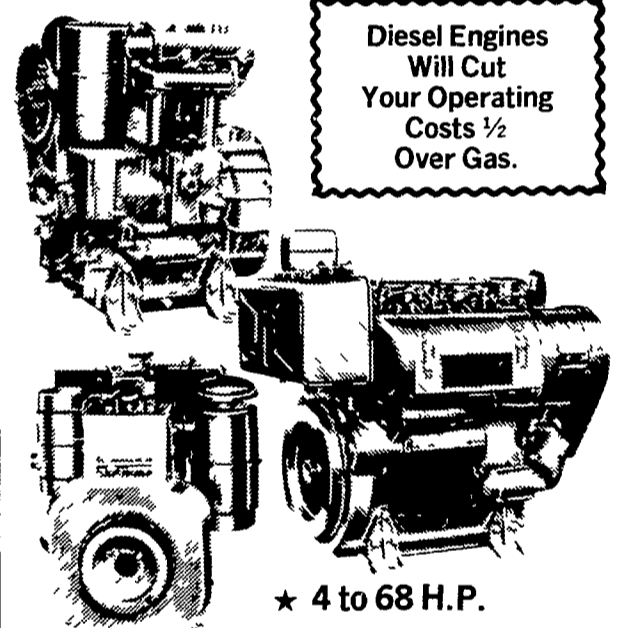
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