

Now Is The Time

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feed a blended ration. Keep the total ration properly balanced for protein and energy, as well as minerals and vitamins. Avoid using excess amounts of soybeans, oils and fats. Feed buffers such as a mixture of 3 parts sodium bicarbonate to 1 part magnesium oxide at a rate of about 3 to 5

ounces per cow per day or 1 to 3% of the grain mix; the addition of limestone can also be beneficial.

Feed intake may decline as you attempt to feed more forages. Thus it is important to keep feeds fresh and to feed high quality forages. A comforting breeze, and a convenient source of shade and fresh, cool water will help improve ap-

petites. Any one of these efforts alone may not correct an existing problem. It will probably require a total effort and working closely with your feed man.

To Control Erosion

We have been blessed with timely rains this spring and early summer but, some of these rains have been very heavy and created considerable run-off. It emphasized the need for terraces, contours and strips to control these large amounts of water.

The use of diversion ditches and sodded waterways above the area to be protected should be considered.

When surface water is not controlled around the premises we also have the added danger of getting surface water into our well water supplies; this makes the water unfit for human consumption and, in some cases, increases the nitrate content of the water supply. We need to be concerned with controlling these large amounts of water on the land and around farm buildings.

To Inspect Corn Silk

We are receiving calls about the danger of Japanese beetles preventing the pollination of both field and sweet corn. This should happen if the beetles eat off the silk before the corn pollinates. We suggest that you inspect corn fields frequently in the next week or two. If less than 50% of the stalks are in silk and if two or more beetles are found on these early silks, then some spraying could prevent loss of good pollination. If 75% or more of the stalks are silking when the first beetles are observed, then spraying would not be needed.

Insecticides such as Sevin and Malathion can be used to control Japanese beetles, but in most cases field spraying is not practical. Some gardeners may want to spray to get perfect pollination.

Pork conference features international marketing

DES MOINES, Ia — Denmark produces only two percent of the world's pork, yet they control almost 30 percent of the world pork market.

This dramatic example of an efficient marketing system will be the focal point of a presentation by O. K. Pederson, Denmark, during the Pork Value Conference in Des Moines, Iowa, August 4 & 5 at the Marriott Hotel.

The conference, sponsored by the National Pork Producers Council in cooperation with the American Meat Institute and the National Meat Association, will draw all segments of the pork industry together to evaluate pork quality and the system to communicate consumer desires back through the marketing chain.

The international segment of the program will deal with marketing systems of Denmark, Australia, and Canada; their characteristics, strengths, weaknesses, and applications to the current U.S. marketing system.

Pederson is highly respected throughout Denmark and Europe for his lectures and research on hog breeding, carcass quality and grading.

From 1969-72, Pederson worked on a project to improve hog carcass grading and develop a grading system based only on

objective measurements. The project also included the development of microcomputers to calculate the percentage of meat in every hog slaughtered. The equipment developed has been used in all Danish slaughterhouses since 1975.

In 1973, Pederson was named to head the Danish National Institute of Animal Science's division responsible for dealing with hog breeding, testing systems, carcass evaluation, and carcass grading. Since that time, Pederson's projects have resulted in changes and improvements throughout the entire Danish breeding and testing system.

Joining Pederson on the program will be Dr. Gordon Bowman, University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario; and Gordon Steer, Regency Park Community College, South Australia.

Each will speak on the merits and pitfalls of their country's current marketing system.

For registration information, contact the National Pork Producers Council, P.O. Box 10383, Des Moines, Iowa 50306. Registration is limited to the first 500 people. Pre-registration at \$100 ends July 17. Registration after that date is \$125, and can be made in writing or at the door.

Farm Calendar



Saturday, July 11

Sperry New Holland 41st annual family picnic, New Holland Memorial Park, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Keystone Stud Ram and Ewe sale, Farm Show Building, Harrisburg, 9:30 a.m.

Sunday, July 12

Eastern Regional Polled Hereford Show, Gaithersburg, Md., continues thru Tuesday.

Monday, July 13

Pa. Vo-Ag teachers annual meeting, J.O. Keller Building, Penn State, continues into Wednesday.

Pro-Tech Education Institute for Vo-Ag teachers, Penn State, continues into Wednesday.

Maryland Shorthorn Assoc. annual picnic, Levena Acres, 2937 Jennings Chapel Road, Lisbon, Md., 1 p.m.

Tuesday, July 14

Adams twilight meeting, Richard Herr Farm, Storm's Shore Road, east of Bonneauville, 7 p.m.

Farmland Assessment Workshop, Hunterdon County Extension Center, Flemington, N.J., 2

p.m. and on Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, July 15

York County 4-H Fashion Review, 4-H Center, Bair, 9 a.m.

York Jr. Holstein Fitting and showing day, Rodman Thompson Farm, 10 a.m.

Farmer's and Businessmen's picnic, Hunterdon Co., N.J.

Thursday, July 16

Stewartstown Early American Steam Engine Association annual show, Rt. 74, York Co., continues through Sunday.

Friday, July 17

Pa. Young Farmers Summer conference, Wellsboro, continues tomorrow.

Lycoming County Fair, Hughesville, until the 25.

Saturday, July 18

Penn State Horse Field Day, Old Horse Barns, University Park, 10 a.m.

Conservation Bus Tour, Hunterdon Co., N.J.

Shippensburg Community Fair, Shippensburg, continues until Saturday.

AT FLEETWOOD...

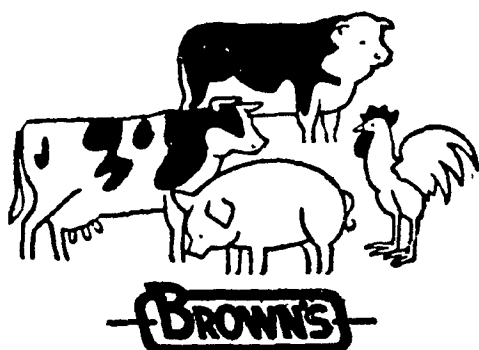


Buying...

- WHEAT
- BARLEY
- OATS
- CORN

Grain receiving pits are open daily from 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM. Saturdays from 7:30 AM to 12:00 noon. During harvesting days, trucks will be unloaded after 5:00 PM with closing set on a daily basis. Closed Sundays.

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