

Open heifer

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Fry kept the bidding above average with his \$1,900 purchase of an 8-month-old Carlin-M Ivanhoe Bell daughter. Kinglea Bell Ginny, consigned by Kinglea Farms of Church Hill, Md., is out of a Very Good Monitor daughter with records to 22,800 pounds of milk and 827 pounds of fat as a 3-year-old.

A bred heifer, consigned by O. Clayton Smith of Jefferson, Md. nailed down the third high price of the evening. Clifton Wayson of Davidsonville, Md. paid \$2,500 for Doo-Dee-Dale Rag Apple Magic. Out of a Good Plus Gai Bar-Dale-Burke Kate, the Elevation daughter is due in November to

Whirhill Kingpin.

Audra Debnam of Worton, Md. paid \$1,850 for a 9-month-old Chet Ford daughter. Consigned by Dale Rhoderick of Hagerstown, Md., Art-Acres Ford Holly is out of a Paclamar Capsule with records to 21,470 pounds of milk and 841 pounds of fat as a 4-year-old.

A second Carlin-M Ivanhoe Bell daughter also surpassed sale average with a \$1,500 price tag. Dean-C-T Bell Lynn, consigned by Charles Dean, Jr. of Ridgely, Md. brought a high bid from Charles Moore of North East, Md. The 8-month-old open heifer is out of an Elevation daughter with a top record of 20,130 pounds of milk and 779 pounds of fat at a 3-year-old.

USDA proposes return to 15,000-ton grain inspection exemption

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The U.S. Department of Agriculture has proposed limiting the exemption from official inspection those facilities which export 15,000 metric tons or less of grain each year to Canada or Mexico by rail or truck.

A June 25 interim final regulation had exempted all grain shipped by rail or truck to Canada and Mexico from official inspection and weighing.

The public has until April 30 to comment on the proposal, which will not affect the exemption for official weighing.

Kenneth A. Gilles, administrator of USDA's Federal Grain Inspection Service, said comments on the interim final rule have shown concern with the possible loss of appeal and reinspection rights associated with an official inspection program. Additionally, he said, commentators said USDA should consider providing official inspection requirements for export rail and

truck shipments that are more consistent with those for water carriers.

Under the proposal, exemptions will be applied on a facility-by-facility basis rather than a company basis. Eligibility for the exemption will be limited each year to those facilities which exported 15,000 metric tons or less during the preceding or current calendar year. Also, exporters and elevator operators must notify USDA in writing of their intention to export grain under this exemption.

Eligibility for the 15,000 metric-ton exemption will not preclude official inspection if requested. Official inspection will be provided by the official agency designated to perform services at the applicant's specified location. Comments should be sent in duplicate to Regulations and Directives Management, FGIS, USDA, 1400 Independence Ave., S.W., Rm. 1636-S, Washington, D.C. 20250.

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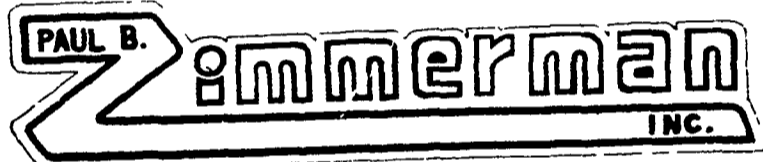
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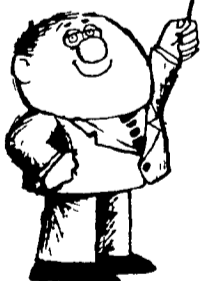
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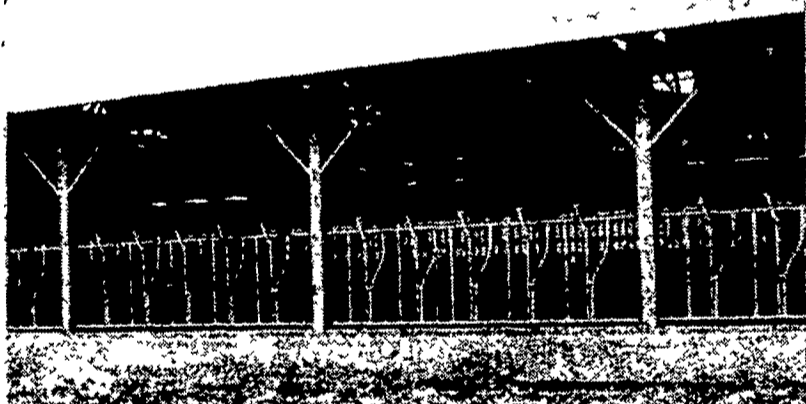
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