

OUR READERS WRITE, AND OTHER OPINIONS

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1971 to 1976, grain exports to the Soviet Union as a percentage of total exports amounted to 16 percent. From the years 1976 to 1981, with the Soviet grain trade agreement fully in place, the percentage dropped to 12 percent, even though total exports increased.

We have a president long on record as supporting recovery in the marketplace — in terms of incentives and economic growth. But the signs here are just the opposite. They imply continued economic controls in foreign trade, and bi-lateral agreements under a yoke that depresses both farm income and foreign trade.

There are no winners and a lot of losers here.

Our critical balance of trade deficit, in which export agriculture has been our strongest performer is a loser. Farmers looking for markets are losers. Taxpayers who foot the bill for storage of overstocks in production are losers. A brighter hope to help feed hungry people in underdeveloped nations through the incentives and strengths of American agriculture — that too is the loser.

Robert B. Delano
President
American Farm Bureau
Federation

Ag paying bill

We are pleased that the administration has taken a position on grain exports to Russia, but we are disappointed in only a one-year

extension of the old export agreement.

A five-year agreement would have given some degree of confidence to the Soviets that we are a reliable supplier. A one-year agreement will not replace Soviet agreements with Canada, Australia and Argentina and will leave us as residual suppliers with an inventory of grain.

In my opinion, President Ronald Reagan is in Iowa working in behalf of the Branstad for governor campaign and the trip is political in nature. He did not need to come to Iowa to make an announcement that has already been made, and let the taxpayers pick up the tab.

Agriculture will once again be paying the bill for foreign trade policy and the Russians will not come rushing in to buy grain. It is only an agreement to negotiate and farmers are kidding themselves if they think the market is going to respond to a one-year extension. Other countries are moving grain and taking over our markets.

I think we've got to move quickly into a long-term grain agreement with minimum and maximum amounts. The Soviets are short of grain and now is the time to lock in a five-year position.

This program was not done with the welfare of farmers in mind. The extension is strictly for political reasons.

It will give farmers false hopes when there is nothing of real substance in the extension.

DeVan Woodland
President
Nat'l Farmers Organization

Farm Calendar

- Saturday, Aug. 7**
Clinton County Fair, Castanea, continues through next Saturday.
Greene County Fair, Waynesburg, continues through next Saturday.
Eastern Shore Guernsey Field Day, Queen Anne's Co. 4-H Park, Centreville, Md.
Adams County Beef Producers Field Day, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Paul Heffner farm.
- Sunday, Aug. 8**
83rd Annual Pa. Grocers Assn. convention, Hershey Lodge & Convention Center, continues tomorrow.
SCS annual meeting, New Orleans, La., continues through Wednesday.
Third N. American Mushroom Conference, Franklin Plaza, Philadelphia continues through Wednesday.
- Monday, Aug. 9**
Wayne County Fair, Honesdale, continues through Sunday.
Pa. Holstein Assn. Eastern Championship Show, Kutztown Fairgrounds, 5 p.m.
Franklin Conservation District Picnic, 6:45 p.m., Meyers Woods, St. Thomas.
Bedford County Fair, continues through Saturday.
Washington County Agricultural Exposition, Hagerstown, Md. Raceway continues through Saturday.
Butler Farm Show, continues through Saturday.
Carlisle Fair, continues through Saturday.
Lebanon Area Fair, continues through Saturday.
Garrett County Fair, Deep Creek
- Lake, Oakland, Md., continues through Saturday.
Kutztown Fair, continues through Saturday.
Potter County Fair, Millport, continues through Saturday.
Tioga County Fair, Whitneyville, continues through Sunday.
Warren County Fair, Pittsfield, continues through Saturday.
- Tuesday, Aug. 10**
Harrold Fair, Greensburg, continues through Saturday.
Queen Anne's Co. Fair 4-H Park, Centreville, Md., continues through Friday.
Prince George's Co. Fair, Bowie, Md. Race Course, continues through Sunday.
Inter-State annual picnic, 11 a.m., Muddy Run Park.
- Wednesday, Aug. 11**
Lancaster County Conestoga Classic Holstein Sale, 7 p.m., Lampeter Fairgrounds.
University of Delaware Farm and Home Field Day, Georgetown Substation.
Pa. Game Commission interim summer meeting, 8:30 a.m., Holiday Inn, State College.
Penn State Field Days, Joseph Valentine Memorial Turfgrass Research Center, University Park.
Frederick County 60th annual Holstein Sale, 7:30 p.m., Frederick Co., Md. Fairgrounds.
Adams County Small Grain Production Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Biglerville High School Vo-Ag Room.
- Thursday, Aug. 12**
Dauphin 4-H Fair, Farm Show Building, continues through Saturday.

Adams poultry meeting, 8 p.m., Adams County Extension Office, Gettysburg.
Saturday, Aug. 14
South Central Pa. Black & White Championship Show, 10 a.m., Carlisle Fairgrounds.

Now is the Time

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the bees are in the nest. For nests in the ground, dust the entrance with 5 percent Sevin dust. Dust is more effective since they will carry a portion on their legs down into the nest.

To Consider Lamb And Wool Promotion

Lamb and wool producers will have an opportunity to vote on whether they want the American Sheep Producers Council to continue its market promotion and improvement program. Approval of the agreement will authorize deduction of up to 4 cents per pound of shorn wool and 20 cents per hundred weight on unshorn lambs.

Deductions would be used by the Council to finance advertising and sales promotion programs for wool and lambs, and programs to develop and disseminate information on product quality, production management and marketing improvement for wool and sheep.

County ASCS offices will distribute copies of the agreement and ballots to producers in early August. The voting period is Aug. 16-27. Anyone may vote who has owned sheep six months old or older for at least 30 consecutive days during 1981, reminds Chester D. Hughes, Extension Livestock Agent.



15H290 Lawcrest ATTRACTION — GP
39D, 36H (1 Eff. D/H) 17,361M 3.5% 611F
P.D. (63% rpt.) +\$186 +1,338M -.06% +46F
S: Wapa Arlinda Conductor — EX & GM
D: Arlinda Chief dau. with rec. to 23,629M & 857F



15H293 Arnold-Acres SUNDANCE — G
18D, 12H (2 Eff. D/H) 18,293M 3.7% 675F
P.D. (39% rpt.) +\$152 +1,116M +.02% +43F
S: Diamond-S Pietje Standout — GP
D: EX Performer dau. with rec. to 28,177M & 899F



15H459 Penn-Dell Gay JESS — EX
57D, 31H (3 Eff. D/H) 15,569M 3.6% 561F
P.D. (71% rpt.) +\$131 +872M +.06% +41F
32 Daus. Cl. 79.3; +1.73 PDT (63% rpt.)
S: Harrisburg Gay Ideal — EX & GM
D: VG Ivanhoe Star dau. with rec. to 26,041M & 1,090F



15H296 Robthom TENOR — GP
32D, 30H (1 Eff. D/H) 17,709M 3.6% 641F
P.D. (57% rpt.) +\$176 +1,489M -.08% +42F
S: Glendell Arlinda Chief — EX & GM
D: VG with rec. to 26,850M & 968F



15H297 Robthom RORAE Veematt KURT — VG
38D, 34H (1 Eff. D/H) 17,505M 3.5% 620F
P.D. (61% rpt.) +\$136 +1,287M -.13% +27F
S: Round Oak Rag Apple Elevation — EX & GM
D: VG Fond Matt dau. with rec. to 30,990M & 947F

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