



# FARM Review and FORECAST



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## Nehawka Chapter Of FFA Is Cited For Safety Program

OMAHA—The Nehawka FFA Chapter received a special honor this week when Ak-Sar-Ben, Omaha civic organization, recognized the group for its community service in promoting fire safety.

J. L. Thurmond, chairman of the Ak-Sar-Ben public affairs committee, said a total of 46 FFA Chapters in Nebraska are receiving similar community service awards. Handsome framed citations are being mailed to each chapter.

## Water Solubility On Phosphorous Fertilizer Explained

LINCOLN—The water solubility figure on phosphorous fertilizer is the per cent of available phosphate that will readily dissolve in water.

This water soluble portion is immediately available to plants since it dissolves readily in water, states Clinton Hoover, extension agronomist at the university of Nebraska.

Phosphorous fertilizer, whether high or low in water solubility, will be about the same in effectiveness over a period of time.

## Apply Nitrogen To Bromegrass Pasture Now

LINCOLN—Immediate application of nitrogen to sod-bound bromegrass pastures is recommended by Clinton Hoover, University of Nebraska assistant extension agronomist.

"Forty to 60 pounds of available nitrogen applied on dryland brome until April 1, should give good response - if timely rains occur," Hoover said. "A mid-June application at about the same rate is desirable if farmers plan to cut some of their bromegrass for hay."

Nitrogen in amounts of 80-100 pounds are recommended where moisture is adequate or where irrigation is used. The applications may be split with some put on now and the remainder added in late May or early June, Hoover stated.

"Cattle should be kept off the pasture for a least a week after application as the nitrogen may poison the animals," he said.

If farmers plan to harvest a seed crop, about 60 pounds of available nitrogen should be applied now or in April where moisture conditions are favorable.

Hoover recommends soil testing for phosphorous needs on all bromegrass pasture lands and especially if an alfalfa-brome mixture is grown.

## High Corn Yields Can Mean Increase In Nitrogen Needs

LINCOLN—A high yield of corn and the complete use of last year's nitrogen supply means an increase in nitrogen requirements this year.

Clinton Hoover, University of Nebraska assistant extension agronomist, says that as we demand higher yields and increase total production we also increase the need for plant food.

More nitrogen will have to be applied to fill these requirements Hoover said.

## Dairymen Attend Annual ADA Meeting

Dairymen from all parts of the state attended the annual meeting of the American Dairy Association of Nebraska at the College of Agriculture in Lincoln March 28. The A. D. A. is sponsored by dairy farmers for the purpose promoting the use of dairy products through advertising and promotion.

A report was given by Robert W. Koehler, state A. D. A. manager, explaining the expanded national program that is being carried on this year to advertise dairy foods in newspapers, magazines, and on radio and TV.

Guest speaker at the event was Bill Hitz, vice president of the American Dairy Association. Hitz is a dairy farmer from Polk City, Ia.

Another feature of the meeting was the appearance of the American Dairy Princess, Shari Lewis, a dairy farm girl from Daykin.

The group approved Beatrice as the site for this year's state dairy princess contest. The contest is to be held there on June 21. All girls with a dairy farm background between the ages of 17 and 21 are eligible to compete and the winner will receive a \$250 scholarship and a trip to Chicago for the national contest.

Plans were also made at the meeting to carry out a local advertising and promotional program in the state in addition to the nationwide program which the A. D. A. of Nebraska supports.

## High Producing Herds Give More Financial Return

LINCOLN—Cows in high producing herds returned three times as much income as did cows in low producing herds during 1956 in the Jefferson Dairy Herd Improvement Association.

Members culled 142 cows from their herds during the year in achieving records averaging 10,117 pounds of milk and 401 pounds of butterfat per cow, reports C. W. Nibler, extension dairyman at the University of Nebraska.

Eleven per cent of the herds averaged more than 450 pounds of butterfat per cow and 30 per cent produced between 400 and 450 pounds. All cows were milked 30 days. The herds averaged 22.8 cows.

## Annual Easter Seal Drive Is Underway

The 1957 Easter Seal campaign is underway in Nebraska with conclusion scheduled for April 21, it has been announced by Victory D. Smith Omaha, state president of the Nebraska Society for Crippled Children.

The annual appeal is expected to be the most extensive in the history of the Nebraska Society for Crippled Children. Easter Seals were mailed to 341,000 Nebraska homes during the week preceding the opening of the appeal.

"The campaign will give residents throughout Nebraska an opportunity to contribute funds for maintaining and expanding services badly needed to help crippled children and adults," Smith said. "The support of each town in every area will be needed to maintain the high standards of service, traditional of the Society."

Approximately 90 per cent of the funds raised during the annual Easter Seal campaign finances services within the state where raised. The remainder goes to help support a national program of service, education and research.

## Creep-Feeding Lambs Is Aid To Price Hike

LINCOLN—Sheepmen can take advantage of seasonally higher lamb prices by creep-feeding their lambs for marketing at the Omaha Lamb and Wool Show May 23.

That is the opinion of Ted Doane, extension animal husbandman at the University of Nebraska, who says spring lambs marketed before June 1, normally bring higher prices than those marketed later. In addition, lambs are off the farm before parasites and hot weather.

Lambs to be marketed before or during June should not be turned to pasture. Although no other feed quite equals milk, even more rapid gains may be obtained with the addition of creep feeding. Lambs may be creep-fed grain and leafy alfalfa hay.

After the pasture season arrives, the lambs may be permitted to nurse twice daily or turned with the ewes only at night. About 125 to 150 pounds of creep feed will produce 100 additional pounds of gain on the lambs. In addition, they will be ready for marketing as much as a month earlier compared to those not creep-fed.

A complex feed is not necessary for lambs if the ewes produce a plentiful supply of milk. Ewes may be fed shelled or cracked corn or a mixture of corn and oats. If flocks have a large number of twin lambs or poor milking ewes, a more complex creep ration for the lambs may give greater gains.

## Some Farmers Are Eligible For Aid In Feed Program

LINCOLN—Farmers operating in drought disaster areas may be eligible for the emergency feed relief program, according to Everett Peterson, extension agricultural economist at the University of Nebraska.

After farmers have been approved for aid they can obtain feed grain for \$1.50 per hundredweight under market price.

The feed can be used only for foundation herds such as beef breeding herds, dairy cattle, and flocks of ewes. It cannot be fed to poultry, hogs, feeder cattle or feeder lambs.

Additional information can be obtained from the county Extension office or the county Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation committee.

## Cattle Raisers Are Warned Of Dysentery

A seasonal warning against the dangers of winter dysentery in cattle herds was issued today by the American Foundation for Animal Health.

This condition appears to be growing more serious each year, the foundation reports, with the next two months marking the peak season for outbreaks, especially in cattle which have been housed most of the winter.

While this disease is seldom fatal, the foundation points out severe economic losses in the form of reduced milk production often occur. In a typical outbreak, the first sign of trouble usually is mild scours in one or two animals. However, within 24 hours, a majority of the herd may be affected and milk production may drop by one-half.

An immediate diagnosis is needed, the foundation says, because winter dysentery may be easily confused with other conditions such as coccidiosis. If proper veterinary treatment is provided, the course of the disease may be limited to three to seven days. Untreated outbreaks often last two weeks or more.

Preventive and control measures should include avoiding sudden changes in ration, reduction of feed intake at the first signs of trouble, and barring visitors from feed alleys. Good success has been reported by many veterinarians, especially when treatment is started early in the course of the disease.

## Manure, Soil Test Help In Farming Land After Leveling

LINCOLN—Large applications of manure and soil testing are good practices to follow when beginning to farm subsoil exposed after land-leveling.

Clinton Hoover, University of Nebraska extension agronomist says much organic matter must be added through manure or green manure crops to the exposed subsoil if good yields are to be harvested.

High rates of nitrogen are recommended for such land if manure is not available, he said.

Hoover also recommends soil samples be taken from these "cut" areas to determine if phosphate is needed. The phosphate can be broadcast and disked or plowed into the soil, according to the test results.

## Munger Resigns Game Commission Information Post

LINCOLN—Robert L. Munger, 31, has resigned as chief of the information and education division of the Nebraska Game Commission effective April 1.

Munger will take a position with the Lincoln Journal as outdoor writer and sports editor. He has been with the Game Commission since May 15, 1956.

Munger graduated from the University of Nebraska School of Journalism in 1949 and was an instructor of journalism at Lincoln High School in Lincoln for four years. Following that time he spent three years at the Lincoln Journal as a sports writer, and since then he has been employed by the Nebraska Game Commission.

He is married and the father of three children, Mark, age 3; and twins, Scott and Sarah, born February 15.

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## South Bend Pupils Tour State Capitol

Mrs. Jess Fidler Phone Ashland 6043

South Bend grammar room took a tour to Lincoln Thursday. Seventeen students and two guests visited the Capitol Building where they had the honor of being introduced to the Legislature, as well as touring the building.

After lunch at Student Union, they visited the State Historical Society where they saw a puppet show and looked at the exhibits. They visited Morrill Hall. Drivers were: Mrs. Corbin Cox, William Rosencrans, Roger Kuhn and Mrs. Ruth Ledabrand. Other sponsors were Mrs. Wayne Hill and Mrs. Russell Campbell.

Robert Mullen of Ralston called at the Jess Fidler and Jason Streight homes Tuesday morning.

George Harper was a Tuesday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Dill and family. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Campbell were morning visitors.

Mrs. Glenn Kuhn returned home from Bryan Hospital Thursday evening. Callers were: Mrs. Corbin Cox, Mrs. Ida Graham, Mrs. S. A. Ahlstrand, Mrs. Glen Thiessen, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Fosberg, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kuhn of Louisville, Mrs. Velma Hofmeister, Mrs. Larry Carnice, and Mrs. William Rosencrans and boys.

Miss Carol Brunner spent the weekend at her home in Auburn. Her folks Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Brunner, brought her back Tuesday and were luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Dill.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Parish visited Wednesday with their daughter, Donna, at Lincoln.

Mrs. James Wiszmarn and daughter Terry Jo, and Mrs. L. W. Rase of Murdock attended a birthday party for Patti Buckland at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Buckland at Lincoln Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Joe Knecht and Mrs. Sadie Shrader of Nehawka spent Thursday in Omaha.

Mrs. Bernard Dill called on Douglas Long at Bryan Hospital Saturday afternoon. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Long of Murdock and a student of Mrs. Dill.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Olson of Ashland were Wednesday evening visitors with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Streight.

Mr. and Mrs. Rolland Cox spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Thiessen.

Mrs. B. E. Grady was a Thursday visitor with the William Rosencrans family.

Mrs. Val Gene Ewing left for her home in Denver Sunday via train after spending the past week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Kuhn, Roger and Linda She was a dinner guest of the James Wiszmarn's family.

Friday evening and with Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Fosberg Saturday evening.

Jack Rosencrans visited Linda Kuhn Sunday. Linda is ill with the chicken pox.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Dill and family were dinner guests Monday of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Dill.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Walters were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hill and boys.

There was no school at South Bend Monday and Tuesday on account of the snowstorm. The town was without electricity Sunday night which brought out the kerosene lamp or candles for use in the homes. In spite of the storm the much needed moisture is most welcome.

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