

'Pork Industry's Future Squarely Up to Producer'

LINCOLN — The future of the pork industry is directly in the hands of the swine producer, a University of Nebraska swine specialist declared this week.

"It is the responsibility of the producer alone to put quality, lean pork on the market at all times," according to Dr. Leo Lucas, Extension animal husbandman at the College of Agriculture.

"The producer cannot afford to wait for the packer to pay more for top-quality, lean hogs before he begins raising this type. In the interim, the consumer is likely to express his or her disapproval of over-fat pork by shifting to other meat products.

"On the other hand, much can be done to maintain the present level of pork consumption, and even increase, if producers put forth a major effort to select breeding stock to produce quality, lean pork. Conscious planning of production allowing the marketing of hogs between 200 and 225 pounds is also important," the University specialist added.

"One of the best means for both purebred and commercial producers to evaluate their selection programs is through detailed carcass information. Such information may be obtained by consignors to the annual Midwest Market Hog Show at Fremont, Lucas pointed out. This show was organized 11 years ago to focus attention on the need for swine men to produce hogs carrying the lean type of meat which has consistently been demanded by consumers.

While much attention is still commanded by the live hog competition of the show, scheduled this year for March 23, the carcass contest March 27 has greater educational significance for the producer, Lucas stated. Every hog entered in the live show is automatically entered in the carcass contest.

Carcasses will be graded individually according to the amount and distribution of fat, conformation, and acceptable quality. A bonus of \$5 will be paid to each owner whose pen-of-three hogs all grade No. 1 carcasses. In order to be eligible for premiums in the carcass contest, each carcass must meet carcass certification requirements of 29 inches in length and not over 1.5 inches in backfat. Carcass awards will be given to the top 30 pens.

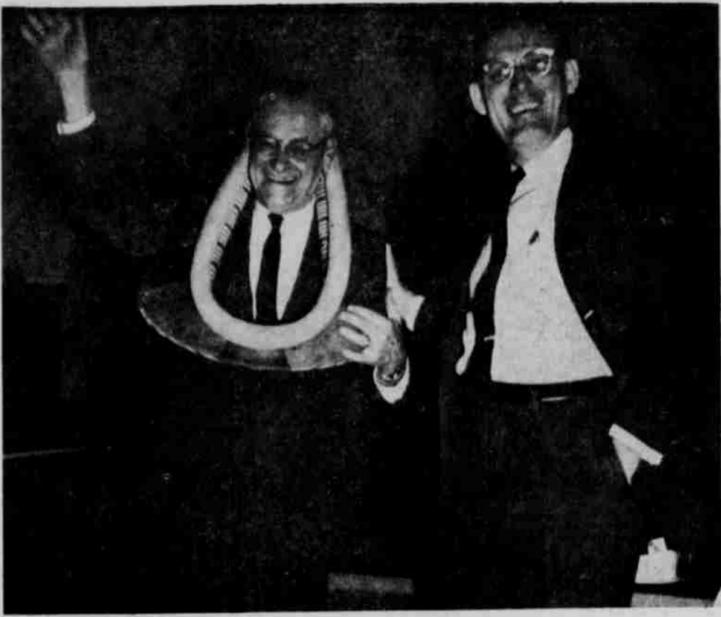
Placing will be determined by the total percentage of hams and loins of the three carcasses, based on adjusted live weight.

Premium money for the show is made possible by the Fremont Chamber of Commerce and the George A. Hormel Co., whose Fremont plant will be the site of the show and carcass contest.

A team composed of Prof. Charles Adams, head of the meats laboratory at the University of Nebraska College of Agriculture; Robert Rust, meats department, Iowa State University, Ames, Ia. and Bob Wells of the Hormel Co. headquarters staff, Austin, Minn., will evaluate the carcasses.

Eagle

Clara Echelman, of Franklin, and her nephew's wife, Mrs. Albert Horn, of Lincoln, visited the former's cousin, Mrs. A. H. Slekmans Thursday afternoon.



JOE'S BACK IN HARNESS—The implication that accompanied a special gift for Joe Zastera, who marked 50 years as a pharmacist Tuesday, was that if you're going to work like one you might as well dress like one. The horse collar was presented to the Plattsmouth druggist at the Rotary Club meeting.



THE 'SNOW JOB'—The buildup about the gift in the attractively-wrapped, ribboned box was given Zastera by Rotarian Steve Davis. The gift was a sure bet in avoiding duplication. It was the first horse collar Zastera had ever received.

The Law On Lotteries

One of a series "You and the Law" prepared by the Nebraska State Bar Association.

You may be one of those who voted to ease the lottery law of this state. If so, you may be wondering when and what contests will be permitted in Nebraska. The Legislature is now considering a bill to permit certain contests. Even under the new law and the new provision

of the constitution not all contests will be legal.

This bill will probably be passed in the near future. How soon it will become effective depends upon whether or not it is passed with an emergency clause which takes twenty-nine votes. If passed as an emergency measure then it will become effective as soon as it is signed by the Governor. If not, it will not be effective until three months after the Legislature adjourns.

Under the proposed law, drawings and contests may be held and prizes awarded where there is no charge in any way for entering the contest. Those contests will be legal which only require a person to go into a store to register. Those which can be entered merely by mailing an entry blank for which no charge is made will also be all right.

A contest or promotion will still be illegal if the consideration for the chance to participate involves the payment of money either for the purchase of property, services, chance to participate, or admission ticket, or which require the expenditure of substantial effort or time. Bank-nights will still be prohibited.

Raffles where a sum of money is paid for a chance will still be bad. Those contests which require the purchase of merchandise to receive an entry blank or the giving of a door prize when an admission price is charged will still be unlawful.

A rough guide on whether or not such contests are legal is whether or not you have to buy something or have to pay to enter. If not, then the promotion is probably legal.

In any legal contest there is no limit on the value of the prize which may be given. Contests where skill is the main element are not affected by this law.

CLARA OLSON
County Assessor.

At County Schools

LINCOLN—Twenty-seven seniors in home economics education at the University of Nebraska, are receiving "on the spot" training in 14 vocational homemaking departments in high schools throughout the state.

For seven weeks, February 3—March 22, two girls are living in each of these 14 towns, under the supervision of qualified vocational homemaking teachers, and entering into the teacher-life of the community.

They are helping teach high school and junior high homemaking classes in subject areas such as foods and nutrition, family living, child care, and home furnishing. Evening classes, offered to adult members of the community, are being taught by the student teachers and the regular vocational homemaking teacher.

While at the teaching centers, the 27 girls are also working with the Future Homemakers of America chapters, and are carrying on the home visit program practiced by the vocational homemaking teacher.

After student teaching for seven weeks, the girls will return to the University of Nebraska to complete their senior year in home economics education before becoming high school vocational homemaking teachers.

The trainees include: Mrs. Karen Hamer of Pawnee City and Mrs. Mona Zink of Lincoln, who are teaching at Eagle under the direction of Mrs. Doris Reinhold.

And Mrs. Darlene Minarik Parr of Dodge who is teaching at Plattsmouth under the direction of Mrs. Barbara Heffelfinger.

Joseph Grimond, British Liberal Party Leader speaking in Scotland

"Let President Kennedy withdraw his protection and Gallium would collapse like a pack of cards."

Out of nearly \$99 billion that consumers spent for food and clothing in 1960, about 35 per cent went to farmers and 65 per cent went for marketing services.

The 'PLATTE' Provides Navy Fleet 'Lifeblood'

BY STEWART PRENTISS
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PEARL HARBOR, Hawaii — Just as the Platte River system provides the water which is the lifeblood of the crops along its banks in Colorado, Wyoming, and Nebraska, so its namesake, the Pacific Service Force Oiler USS PLATTE (AO-24), provides the fuel that is the lifeblood of our Pacific Naval forces.

However, unlike the Platte River which is confined to its twisting 900-mile bed, the Navy's PLATTE roams throughout the vast Pacific Ocean. Delivering fuel oil and aviation gas at the rate of 350,000 gallons per hour, she can refuel as many as twelve destroyers, three cruisers and two aircraft carriers during an 18-hour day.

During the Second World War PLATTE was one of only five oilers which supplied the entire Pacific Fleet. To do this, she steamed over 330,000 miles, pumping almost five million barrels of oil to 350 ships in 1,060 separate fuelings.

Part of PLATTE's ability to fuel so many ships is her size. From bow to stern she is not quite the length of two football fields, and extends three stories below the waterline.

Designed and equipped to deliver fuel while underway, oilers are the keys which enable our fleet to operate continuously at great distances from home base. This feature also makes oilers different from ordinary tankers which merely deliver fuel from port to port.

PLATTE's capabilities are not limited to being merely a "floating Service Station," however. A cargo deck was added to her early in World War II enabling her to carry food, clothing, lubricating oils, depth charges, ammunition, medical supplies and even airplanes.

Commissioned Dec. 1, 1939, she is the second oldest ship in the Navy on continuous active service, and holds ten engagement stars from World War II and four from the Korean conflict. Her World War II duty took

her from the icy waters of the Aleutians to the balmy South Pacific.

She was with Task Force 58 at Truk and participated in the first strike on the Marianas and occupation of Eniwatok. Operating constantly, PLATTE crossed the equator 14 times in eleven days.

The war gave PLATTE no rest and she was on the job for the Battle of the Philippine Sea, the Iwo Jima assault, the Okinawa invasion, Admiral "Bull" Halsey's spectacular "Month of Fire" raids on the Japanese mainland and the official surrender at Tokyo Bay.

When the Korean conflict started she immediately joined the Seventh Fleet and for 25 months operated off Korea and Formosa in support activities.

During the final weeks of the Korean conflict she began a new phase of underway fueling tactics by remaining on the job 24 hours a day, refueling many of the combat ships at night.

With the end of hostilities in Korea and the advent of the "Cold War," PLATTE was called upon to perform a new type of mission.

While carrying fuel, mail and supplies to fleet units in the far corners of the Pacific, she had to show the people of these areas that Americans are not as bad as Communist propaganda would make them seem.

To do this PLATTE has fought her way through typhoons to deliver food, medical supplies, blankets and clothing to their victims. She has given money to clothe and educate refugee children and hosted ice cream and cake parties for orphanages.

Today, as everyday, PLATTE is on the job fueling the ships of our Pacific Fleet and carrying the good will of the American people to distant lands.

Commanded by Captain J. L. Butts, Jr., she is under the administrative control of Rear Admiral Redfield Mason, Commander Service Force, U. S. Pacific Fleet.

Power Companies Settling Dispute

BY MELVIN PAUL
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The Nebraska Press Association

LINCOLN—Out-of-court agreements which involve 28 public power districts in Nebraska have been settled, spokesmen for the various factions involved in the dispute said.

The districts, facing strong action by the Legislature as one alternate in continuing their wrangling, agreed to settle all litigation of the old power contract and rate cases that have been pending more than three years.

It was announced that final action on pending litigation would be held in escrow until the revised contracts are approved by the Rural Electrification Administration in Washington.

The overall settlement amendments to contracts were signed by officials of Loup Power District, Platte Valley Public Power and Irrigation District, Consumers Public Power District, and several dozen rural districts. A couple of rural districts withheld signing the agreement until studying the matter further.

Spokesmen for the districts signing acknowledged the dispute were included in the general area designated by the Legislature to solve their difficulties or face legislation in the 1963 session.

Key legislators interested in public power were pleased with the turn of events.

Sen. Don Thompson of McCook, who headed the interim committee which studied public power, said the action should result in a "better atmosphere in the field of public power in Nebraska."

According to Sen. Cecil Craft of North Platte, who favors a five-area realignment plan for generation and transmission districts, the agreement will "clear the air for bills presently before the Legislature" and should contribute to "more harmonious settlement of the other issues."

Sen. Harold Stryker of Rising City cautioned, however, that "the settlements of the pending lawsuits between NPPS and the rurals should not be construed that the power problems in the state have been solved." He added it is "absolutely necessary" for the Unicameral to take a firm stand so the state's power problems are straightened out during this session.

State Aeronautics Director James Sandstedt has warned some of Nebraska's eight "use it or lose it" local air stations may be eliminated by the Civil

Aeronautics Board because of a proposed \$3 million reduction in its subsidy budget.

Sandstedt said he has been informed "unofficially" the CAB is taking a long look at 120 local air service stops across the nation operating under the "use it or lose it" policy with the thought of possibly eliminating some to compensate for the subsidy reduction.

Nebraska has eight such stations—at Chadron, Alliance, Sidney, Imperial, McCook, Kearney, Hastings and Beatrice.

The communities which would be in most danger of having their service eliminated are Imperial, Sidney, Beatrice and Alliance. Sandstedt said their stations last year did not meet the CAB's traffic standard of five passengers daily.

A meeting will be held in Lincoln Feb. 19 between Governor Morrison and industrial organizations interested in Sen. LeRoy Bahensky's proposal to have the state sell state promotion stamps.

Bahensky said petroleum, hotel, motel and restaurant businesses will have representatives at the meeting.

Bahensky, who is from St. Paul, has proposed using revenue from the special stamps to promote tourism. Morrison has expressed interest in the idea.

The St. Paul lawmaker said the idea "just popped" into his head. After mulling it over, he said, "I thought this was a much better method than assessing a tax against any group for tourist promotion."

According to Jack Rogers, the Legislature's research director, the proposal is "brand new" and no other state has one like it.

C. V. Keller, whose administration of the Men's Reformatory at Lincoln came in for criticism from some quarters, by resigning apparently paved the way for his boss, George Morris, to be confirmed by the Legislature as director of the State Department of Institutions.

When Morris was interviewed by the Unicameral's Committee on Committees, it became apparent that some of the members wanted to give him their OK, but didn't want to do so unless Keller quit. The confirmation of Morris, which had been stalled for several weeks, came quickly after Keller announced his resignation, effective March 31.

Keller had been involved in controversy from time to time since December when a probe of the reformatory was conducted by Morris after reports of unrest at the institution were published. Keller told the Committee on Committees he would resign if the situation at the reformatory

was blocking Morris' reappointment.

In a statement accompanying his resignation he said he was quitting because of a bill in the Legislature calling for formation of a penal complex which would include the penitentiary and reformatory. Thirty-eight lawmakers signed the penal complex measure when it was introduced, assuring it of easy passage.

Enrollment Up
Enrollment in Nebraska public and parochial schools increased 10,130 during the present school year, a 2.9 per cent gain over the previous year, according to a report released by the statistical division of the Nebraska Education Department. The report also showed Nebraska has 3,099 public school districts—more than any other state.

The total enrollment figure was 359,828 as of Oct. 1. Of this total about 57,362 students were in attendance in non-public schools. The report showed there is one rural school in the state with one pupil; 17 with two students, 36 with three; and 57 with four. There are 86 high schools with fewer than 50 students each.

New Maps Out
State Engineer John Hossack has announced the new edition of the Nebraska highway map is available for free distribution.

The map, prepared by the Department of Roads and the Nebraska Game Commission, features a western theme and has many colorful photographs as well as lists of attractions and things to do in Nebraska.

Hossack said the surface types and highway locations are up-to-date "and we are anxious to supply as many motorists as we can for the tourist season ahead. The mileage table and towns index are printed large enough for everyone to read."

Free copies of the maps may be obtained from the information section of the highway department.

Bill About Ready
Governor Morrison has sent to the bill drafter his proposal to establish a state Department of Economic Development.

The governor said his bill will incorporate provisions of a measure submitted by Sen. J. W. Burbach of Crofton seeking the establishment of a separate Department of Tourism.

Morrison wants a seven-member advisory commission to counsel the governor and the new department. Another provision of the bill will call for an executive director.

The governor said establishment of the department would not cost the state any more money than he recommended in his budget message to the Unicameral.

Obituary

Harley G. Wiles

Funeral services were held Monday at Caldwell Funeral Home for Harley G. Wiles of Long Beach, Calif., who died Feb. 6. Rev. John Allen, Rector of St. Luke's Episcopal Church, officiated.

Mr. Wiles was born March 31, 1898, at Plattsmouth, son of B. F. and Ruth Churchill Wiles.

He was married to Frances Martin, who survives, as well as a daughter Mrs. Joy (Peggy) Miller, Chicago, Ill.; three grandchildren; sisters, Mrs. C. A. Wetenkamp, Mrs. Carl J. Schneider and Mrs. Arthur Hill, all of Plattsmouth, Mrs. Ed Hermann, Lincoln and Mrs. H. H. Shirley, Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiles moved to California in 1938.

Pallbearers at the service were Edward Egenberger, Guy Griffen, Phil Hix, Charles Martin, George Snyder and Howard Wiles.

Organist was Mrs. Twyla Hodge.
Interment was in Oak Hill Cemetery.

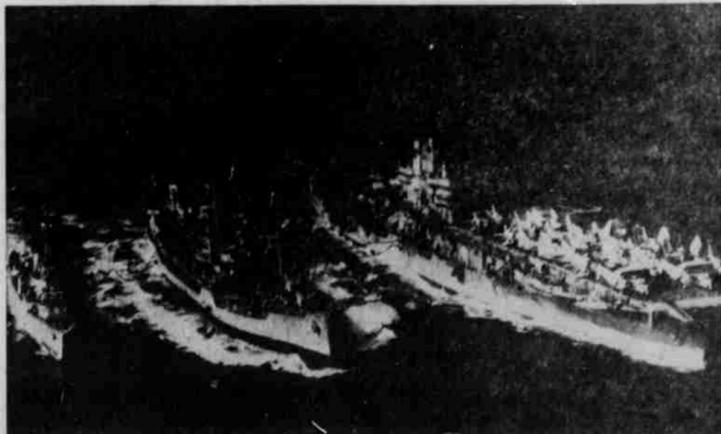
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