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Idaho Building Activity Shows Upward Trend

Building permit construction activity in Idaho during February rebounded from the relatively low January total, said James Hoogland, Jr. and Stan Merrill managers, quoting the Idaho Construction Report.
 A publication of First Security Bank of Idaho N. A. to be distributed this week, the report is edited by Dr. Kelly K. Matthews, vice president and economist of First Security Corp.
 The value of building permit construction during the first two months of 1978 is significantly ahead of last year. Total construction value is authorized building permit construction in 54 major Idaho locations in Feb. 1978, was \$41,090,784, or 33.5 percent above 1977.
 Nonresidential construction valued at \$7,474,648 was down 3-5 percent

from last year. Alterations and repairs totaling \$12,773,854 were up 318.4 percent.
 Regionally, the Ada County-Boise City area was by far the most active region in residential construction during the first two months of 1978. The number of permits for new dwelling units is down sharply in northern and southeastern Idaho. Residential activity centered in the Idaho Falls and Blackfoot areas in keeping the number of permits for new dwelling units in eastern Idaho ahead of last year.
 To learn which work saves, one must rightly meditate on these three, Doing, not doing and undoing.—Bhagavad-Gita
 He is wise who can instruct us and assist us in the business of daily virtuous living.—Thomas Carlyle

IT HAPPENED WAY-BACK WHEN

Genesee News 50 Years Ago
 The Athletic girls initiated four new members into the "G" club Friday of last week. Those being initiated were Ida Foster, Marie Roseman, Myrtle Larson and Evelyn Flammoe.
 Mona Myers celebrated her 6th birthday anniversary with a delightful party given to 10 guests on Friday.
 Saturday of last week a very pretty birthday party was held at the home of Mrs. Johanna Christensen in honor of the birthday of Mrs. J. S. Larrabee who is visiting here from Sacramento, California.
 Joseph Mayer, a well-known farmer of the Rimrock region of Nez Perce County, Monday had his left foot partly severed when he was either thrown or fell from a disc he was driving when his team ran away—the member coming in contact with the double discs while in motion.
 Jean Schooler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Schooler, was quarantined for scarlet fever Saturday. She is getting along nicely.
 Leon, the 2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Ekum was quite seriously ill for few days last week. While playing in the yard he accidentally got hold of something—presumably some flower bulbs which his mother was planting and ate them—within a short time the young fellow was taken ill.
70 Years Ago
 A bright little daughter put in an appearance Monday of this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Jutte near Uniontown. Mrs. Jutte is the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bielenberg.
 Thursday of last week Otto Kretschmer bought the John Windertfelt 160-acre farm on the reservation, east of town. Consideration \$1500.
 A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clark last week.
 The A. A. Haymond home has been placed under quarantine for scarlet fever.
 A son was born to Mrs. Garrett Wilson on Tuesday of this week at the Isaksen home north of town. The mother was formerly Miss Lizzie Isaksen and resided here but now resides with her husband in Vancouver.

Idaho 4-H'ers To Visit Japan

John R. Crosiar
 Asst. Agricultural Editor
 Moscow: Applications are now available for 4-H'ers who would like to participate in an exchange program with Japan this summer that offers the opportunity to live for a month in a different culture.
 Already, 11 Idaho young people have signed up, according to Maurice Johnson, state 4-H leader at the UI.
 "Each delegate will live individually with a host family to learn about Japanese life styles and will participate in a camping program similar to American 4-H camps," he said. "In addition, there will be opportunities to sightsee and tour historical places, traveling by fast commuter trains."
 Sponsored by the Labo International Exchange Foundation of Tokyo and the Idaho Cooperative Extension service the exchange program is open to all 4-H members who will have completed the 7th grade at the end of this school year. Interested youth who are not now 4-H members may still join, Johnson pointed out.
 Idaho's delegation will join groups from Ore. and Wash. to leave July 22 from San Francisco for Japan. They will return August 24.
 Mrs. William White, an Orofino 4-H leader will accompany the Gem State group. She and her husband twice have hosted Japanese people visiting Idaho.
 Cost of the program is \$900 round trip which includes airfare from California and all ground costs while in Japan. Individual delegates may want to budget additional funds for personal expenses such as souvenirs, Johnson noted.
 Since the program began in 1973, more than 200 Idaho 4-H members and leaders have traveled to the Asian nation. Idaho families have hosted some 450 Japanese youths and adults during the same period.
 Further information and application forms are available at county offices of the UI Cooperative Extension service. Completed forms must be returned to county agents by Apr. 17.

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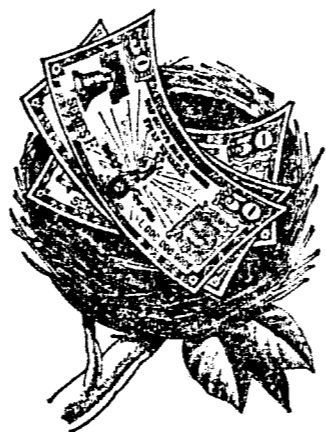
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Kendrick Gazette Mar. 17, 1938
 Juliaetta: Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Taylor entertained at a bridge party Sat. evening. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. E. Carlson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Grantham, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Sherman, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Holliday and Mr. and Mas. L. Irwin.
 Kenneth Powell arrived Tues. from White Salmon, Mont. to take over work in the Thomas creamery.
 Mr. and Mrs. John Halseth and daughters of Spokane and Mr. and Mrs. Pete Halseth of Deary were guests Friday in the Ed Halseth home. The John Halseth family is moving to Tacoma where he has accepted a better position.
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March 18, 1948
 Kendrick Tigers, under the coaching of Ross Armitage, repeated their performances of the last four years by again winning the Northern Div. basketball crown, defeating Rathdrum 37-25 Thursday evening and again dropping Pierce's Foresters by a score of 40 to 23 on Friday.
 Two Kendrick homes changed hands last weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lind selling their home to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Greenwood and then in turn purchasing the Frank Nesbit home on Main Street in west Kendrick. Mr. Nesbit will be leaving soon for Deary where he will open a drug store.
 Leland school—The boys BB team was taken to Southwick by Walter Silflow for a game there. This was their 5th win for the team. Those going were Stanley Smith, Howard Wolf, Keith Thornton, Ernest Helmgartner, Walter Wolf, Herman Thornton, and Norman Silflow.
 The NezPerce Co. track meet in which Leland students will take part has been scheduled for Fri., May 7.
 It is better to ask some of the questions rather than to know all the answers.—James Thurber
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greatest avidity. Vacations doubtless are the occasions when people play more effectively. Being relieved of work demands is very relaxing and people often say it takes two weeks of one's vacation to become relaxed. They are relieved of such work-day routines as getting up at a specific time, watching the clock to get to work on time, dealing with big responsibilities or making difficult decisions. Vacations relieve pressures. Coercion stops. Change is the important element of this play.

The office worker may thrill to rowing a boat, diving, swimming, fishing or hiking in the mountains. And the man who lives in the mountains correspondingly enjoys the change of going to the city to ride the subways and see the zoos and shows.

Some people get relaxation by being alone and reading or by doing odd jobs, while others who are too alone at their work, crave the company of people and good conversation. Play, then, is a kind of anti-thesis to work. It should provide a change from familiar things and introduce relaxation, or, at least, new and different emotional climates. Bridge or mountain-climbing can produce tension, true; yet the participant may say, "It relaxes me to play an evening of bridge," or "I sleep wonderfully well after a day in the mountains."

It seems then that the mind and body need a periodic change of pace. An adult needs to do and think about something enjoyable and non-compulsory occasionally. Play, or recreation, should really recreate something which the routine workday often inhibits such as humor, a freer expression of aggression, love for others, a sense of being taken care of, taking care of self, or a communion with Mother Nature.

Some play should occur for most people in the course of every day, every week, and every year. If play is thus sought and utilized, it should help to prevent that feeling of tiredness and frustration at work. Add play to the lives of individuals who are preparing for big responsibilities and hard work schedules (it is not always possible to get hard-working people to add play to their lives late in life if they have not become familiar with it earlier) and we will have a nation of healthier and happier people. Work and play must balance each other for health.

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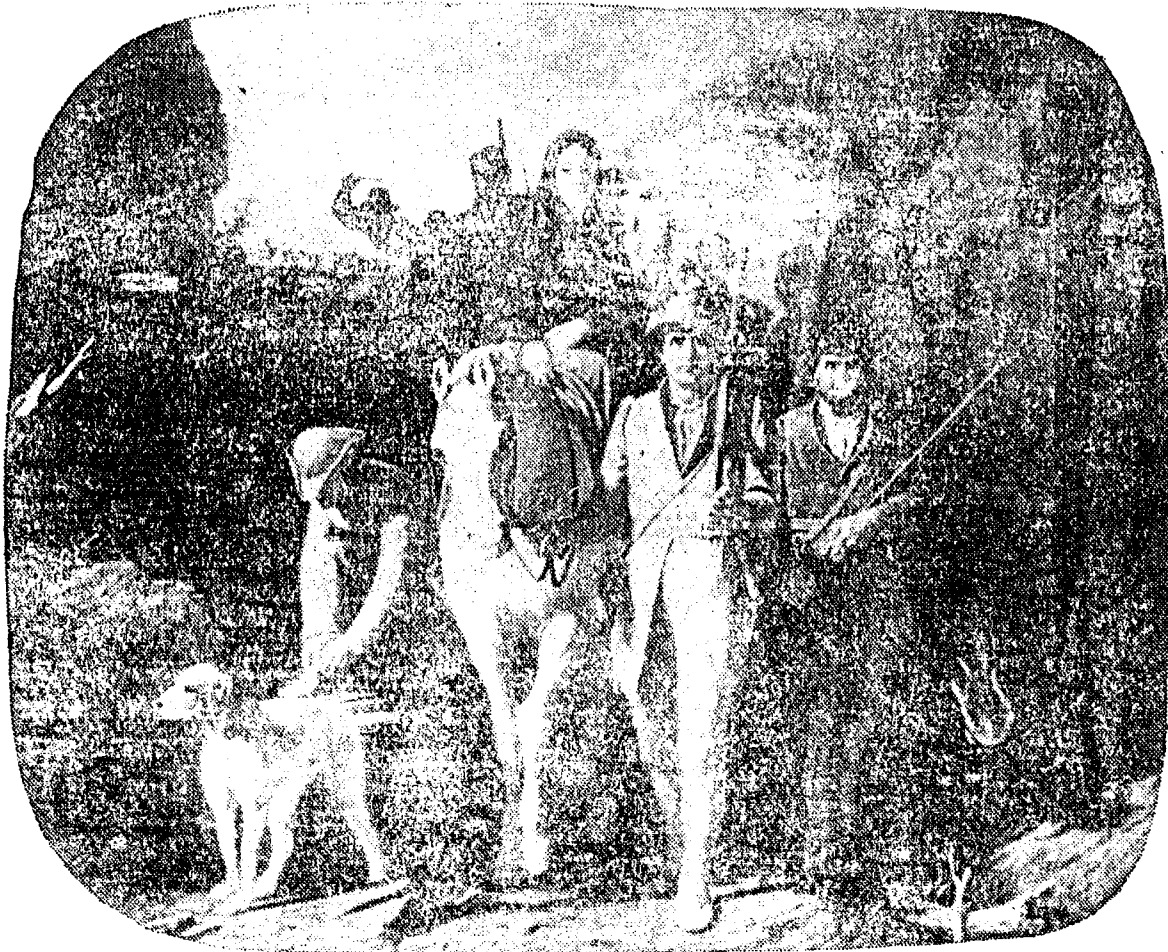


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Home Cookin' ...

Pork Chow Mein

This recipe was served by Mrs. Carrie Jutte at the Senior Citizens dinner Friday and Mrs. Norma Moore prepared it for her. There were so many requests for this delicious dish that Mrs. Jutte decided to share it with our readers. Thank you Mrs. Jutte for your thoughtfulness. We'd enjoy receiving more recipes from time to time. There's so much entertaining planned in the weeks ahead.

- 1 cup chicken broth
- 3 tbsl. soy sauce
- 1 tbsl. red wine or cooking sherry
- 2 tbsl. cornstarch
- 2 tbsl. brown sugar
- 1 can cream of shrimp soup or 1 can cream of celery soup
- Mix cornstarch, sugar and wine until smooth and add other ingredients. Simmer all vegetables—
- 6 sticks celery, cut on slant
- 10 small onion, chopped
- 1 can water chestnuts, chopped
- 1 1/2 cup fresh mushrooms, sliced
- 1/2 cup bean sprouts
- 1 cup chopped pork, any kind.
- Heat large heavy skillet very hot. Add 3 tbsl. olive oil. Olive oil is best, but any oil may be used. Pour in vegetables and stir constantly for 4 or 5 minutes. Do not

overcook. Add to sauce and serve over rice which had been cooked in chicken broth or bouillon cubes and water. This may also be served over noodles.

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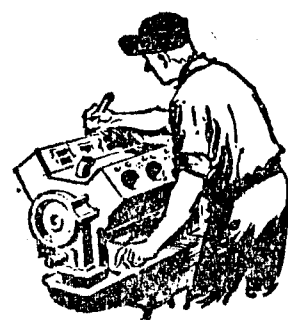
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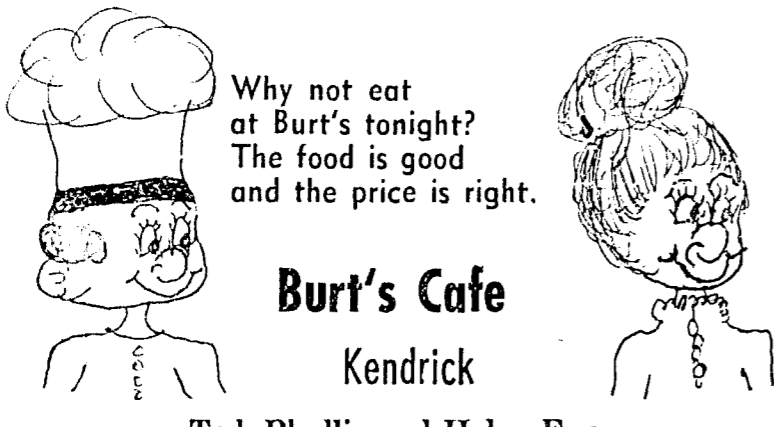
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We wish to extend a special thank you to Helen Fey, daughter of Ted and Phyllis, for a beautiful cake shaped as a large baby carriage and decorated in white, pink and blue. Also a special thank you to Violet Osborn, Susan Hokenson and Barbara Dygert, hostesses for the shower. I'd like to thank Ted and Phyllis Fey for working my shift at the Cafe so I, Clara, could attend and be with Bud, Carla and other relatives for the evening.

Thank you all so much.
Virgil (Bud) and Carla Dygert
Lou Wade
Marvin and Clara Bailey

Cedar Ridge News
Mrs. Sam Weaver

Little Kathy Parent of Coeur d'Alene was a last Tuesday, week ago, overnight guest of Mr. and Mrs. James Holt. Mrs. Jennifer Parent and Grandma Cuddy were Wednesday supper guests. Grandma and Roseann visited with Mrs. Rollin Armitage at the hospital last Thursday. So happy to report that she is getting along quite well. Mr. and Mrs. David Ball and children of Pottlatch, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Cuddy and Kelly and Grandma Cuddy all helped and shared dinner and birthday cake with Jason Ball Sunday. Other callers were Mr. and Mrs. Tim Shawley and daughter of Clarkston and some friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Patterson and children visited with Alan's cousin in Post Falls from Friday until Saturday. On the way back they visited with Karolyne Rogers and Mr. and Mrs. Paddy Griffen at Desmet.

Mrs. Edna Magee of Lewiston and Mrs. Adaline Jassman were Sunday guests of Robert Kimbley.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Fey and sons hosted a birthday supper for her father, George Lyons Sunday. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. George Lyons, Charles, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Grant, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hutcheson and children and Mr. and Mrs. Clem Lyons.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sturman spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kechter.

Gina Parsley spent from Saturday till Monday morning in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Cuddy. Olean accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brown to Ukiah, Oregon to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Mabbott and family. They left last Wednesday and returned Friday.

Mrs. Charlie Candler is staying with the Parsley children while Mr. and Mrs. Jack Parsley went to Yuma to bring back Mr. and Mrs. Dick Parsley.

Miss LuAnn and Russell Brammer are home on their spring vacation from the U. of Idaho. Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Brammer and family were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. August Brammer.

Mr. and Mrs. Arley Allen were Sunday afternoon callers of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Cuddy and Kelly. Mrs. Thelma Cuddy, Mrs. Eileen Souders and

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Serving Agriculture

Hereford cattle lazed in the afternoon sun awaiting their turn in the show ring at the 44th annual Lewiston Hereford show and sale in February. (Photo by Susan Tiede.)





A proud owner prepared her animal for the show ring while a couple cowboys had a chat as they sunned themselves atop a fence. It was a typical scene at the annual Lewiston Hereford show.

116 Hereford bring \$107,175

By Susan Tiede

The annual Lewiston Hereford Week was a full blown spectator activity this year attracting a variety of persons to the livestock show and sale along with the agriculture trade show.

The late February event drew spectators of all ages from youngsters in strollers to retired cattlemen just spending the day

reminiscing.

Some cattlemen said they attended just to see what the animals would bring this year.

The halter class sale followed the dedication of the enlarged sales barn at the Nez Perce County Fairgrounds.

Sellers were somewhat disappointed with this year's prices which weren't as high

as other Northwest sales this spring.

The 116 registered horned and polled Herefords brought a total of \$107,175 this year.

Top price for a halter bull was \$2,500 for the reserve champion and \$1,950 for the champion.

Last year the top priced bull was \$6,000.

The reserve halter class

heifer brought \$700 while two other heifers brought \$800.

The champion heifer sold for \$575 which was \$50 less than received for the champion heifer last year.

The top price received for a range bull was \$1,400.

The reserve champion range bull went for \$1,250 and was followed by two \$1,100 bulls before the champion sold for \$1,075.

Owners prepared the animals for the sale with techniques which imitated a beautician, while prospective buyers strolled through the barn asking questions about the animals.

The animals were groomed with a variety of shampoos and hair sprays along with giant blow driers.

Once cleaned for the sale the animals were carefully cared for so as not to undo the work.

Bulls with snow-white tails protected by plastic bags were a common sight in the fair barn.

Whole families were involved in show activities from bringing water to the cattle to helping show the animals in the ring.

Longrange weather outlook

The outlook for the period mid March to mid April of this year is for precipitation to average below normal and temperatures to average above normal over most of the state.

This would lead one to expect to be able to begin planting hardy crops such as onions...spring grain...peas...potatoes...sugar beets etc. about on schedule this year...that is in late March or early April in many places.

Spring begins March 20 this year according to the calendar...but spring time weather rarely comes to Idaho to stay that early.

In the area north of the Salmon River the average freeze dates are quite variable from place to place...but hard freezes with lows from 24 to 28 degrees occur more than 50 percent of the years well up into April at most places.

Planting of hardy crops often begins in late March or

early April when soil conditions permit...but the statistics show that this involves risks..and that the

benefits of an early planting have to be weighted against the costs of replanting if necessary.

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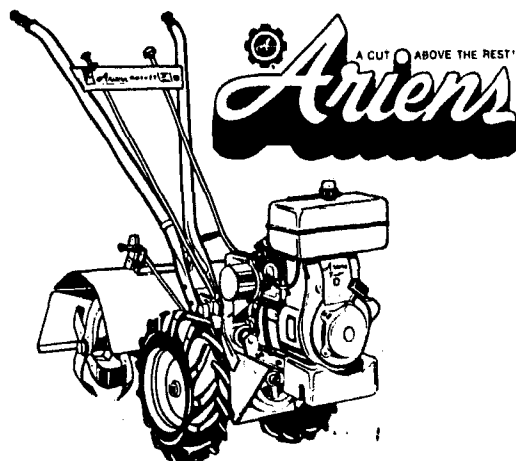
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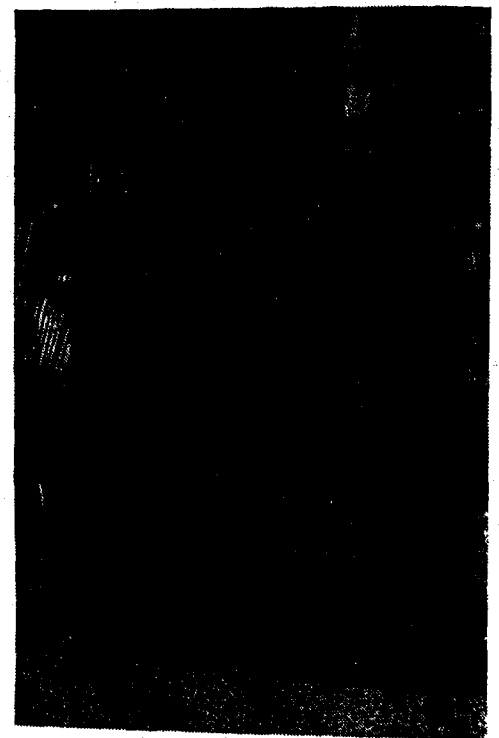
Dale Johnson elected

Dale Johnson, Nezperce, Johnson farms 1,900 acres has been elected to a one-year term to the CENEX board of directors. near Nezperce where he raises dryland grain, peas and grass seed.

Johnson had previously served on the board of directors of Pacific Supply Cooperative, Inc., which merged with CENEX Oct. 1, 1977. He served on the board of his local co-op, the Nezperce Rochdale Co., and was a member of the Pacific Supply board for 12 years, the last five as chairman.



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Crops look good survey shows

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By Susan Tiede

Fall seeded crops look good in Latah, Nez Perce, Lewis and Idaho counties at this time, the county extension agents told the Farm and Ranch Chronicle last week.

Crops in Idaho County are average to better than average for this time of year, Ed Mink, Idaho County extension agriculture agent said.

"This month we are very vulnerable to frost heaving. Warm days with nights in the 15 to 25 degree range could cause serious problems with the amount of moisture we have.

"We don't need any more rain right now as it is very, very wet. We have had more erosion than we would like, but in general, it really isn't too severe.

"Much of the land is in winter wheat or peas or was rough plowed in the fall," he said.

The different hazard periods could put any estimate off 50 per cent, Mink said. Around the first of June it can be judged pretty close, but there is still hail, fires or rainy harvest

weather to affect the estimate.

Latah county crops are looking better every day, according to Extension Agent Gordon Dailey.

The wheat and barley are growing and greening up, but so are the weeds. In general, it looks good and so do the prospects for the year.

Erosion looks bad, but it is mostly a lot of little rills. They mess up a field, but won't be noticed much until harvest.

"We're remembering last year when there wasn't any erosion, but no wheat either.

"Last year's lack of moisture is contributing to this year's erosion as the ground broke down fine last fall, and there wasn't much stubble to hold the ground," he said.

The crops didn't suffer much freeze out, but there was some exposure from erosion.

Field work is just opening up with some plane work started, but not a great deal of top dressing yet, Dailey said.

Crops in Lewis County look real good right now with little erosion, County

Agriculture Extension Agent Floyd Gephart said.

The fall wheat and peas both look good. No insects or diseases have showed up in the peas yet.

"If there is freezing and thawing, we could lose some of the crops, but we have the potential for a good crop this year," Gephart said.

The wet weather has caused some drowning out in the low spots, but hasn't had too bad effect on the cattle.

The calves haven't had too much trouble with scours yet, according to Gephart.

Nez Perce County Extension Agriculture Agent Loren Kambitsch said the crops in that county at both the high and low elevations wintered over well.

Almost every seed came

up last fall and there was little thinning due to winter injury.

The situation at this point is ideal. Freezing and thawing still could cause

problems in the prairie areas, but it has been minimal so far. much in the Lewiston area and as wet as it is, it will be some time yet.

There is no moisture problems as the county is soft and wet all over. There has been a limited amount of erosion so far. "A couple of weeks ago, they did a little plowing in the lower Tammany area, but essentially they haven't turned a wheel yet," Kambitsch said.

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Reader speaks out

To the Editor:

Our nation today stands at the crossroads.

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Whenever there has been a depression on the farms, throughout our history, a depression in the entire economy has followed.

How do we reverse this trend and generate the earned income to keep the economy solvent?

We have to understand at any nation's wealth comes from the soil in the form of raw materials.

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Agriculture represents 70 percent of all the raw material production in the United States.

It is also the only one that replenishes itself every year.

Agriculture at 100 percent of parity is the only way that we will ever get out of the mess we have created.

Let me project where I believe this country could be two years down the road with Agriculture at 100 percent of parity by law instead of with supports or subsidies.

The multiplier effect of the farm dollar as it turns through the economy is between 1:5 to 1:7.

In other words, for every one dollar paid to agriculture, we can generate five to seven dollars of earned national income.

The difference between what the farmers received

last year and what they would receive at parity is approximately \$80 billion.

If you multiply this by five, we have created \$400 billion of new earned income into the economy.

If we tax this new income at say an average of 20 percent, we have \$80 billion in new dollars.

Recently, the President's new proposed budget showed a deficit of \$60 billion. At 100 percent of parity, we could cover the deficit and have a \$20 billion surplus.

With the surplus, we could start reducing the national debt, take care of any new government programs, and/or give the taxpayers an honest tax cut.

What happens if the taxpayers get a cut in their taxes? They have more disposable income which in

turn creates more new tax dollars because of their increased buying power.

The family farm is the back bone, not only of the American economy, but of the American way of life as well.

The fabric of our whole society is now threatened perhaps as never before.

So, please write your congressmen, senators, legislators, Secretary Bergland and President Carter and lend your support to the farmers of this country.

It is imperative that each and every one of us—farmers and non-farmers—make themselves heard now.

Sincerely,
LeRay Mabry
Craigmont, Idaho

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Snow pack near normal

Area snow pack is near normal for this time of year according to figures released by the Soil Conservation Service at Grangeville.

Snow surveys taken Feb. 24, 28 and March 1 show the snow pack to be 92 per cent of normal and 279 per cent of last year.

Measurements taken at the Cottonwood Butte snow course, elevation 5,140 feet, showed a depth of 39.2 inches and a water content of 11.2 inches.

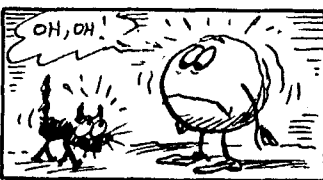
Last year on this date the snow depth was 10.3 inches with a water content of 1.7 inches.

Snow depth at the Upper Snowhaven snow course, elevation 5,600 feet is 50.1 inches with a water content

of 18 inches. Last year the snow depth was 11.4 inches and the water content was 2.8 inches.

The Lower Snowhaven course, at 5,250 feet elevation, has a snow depth of 59.2 inches and a water content of 17.9 inches. Last year there were 13.8 inches of snow with a water content of 3.1 inches.

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Importance of farm chemicals stressed

Ben Studer, former Idaho County Agricultural Agent, spoke to some 60 persons Thursday evening about the importance of keeping chemicals for food production.

Studer said the Environmental Protection Agency is requesting input on many chemicals vital to the agricultural industry through RPAR which determines whether a

chemical can be registered or reregistered, limited in its use or stopped from all uses.

A film was shown prior to the talk showing the regulatory procedure of RPAR (Rebuttable Presumption Against Registration) which is designed to evaluate the risks and benefits of each agricultural chemical.

Since anyone, regardless of their qualifications, expertise or credibility can

submit information on a compound, it is very important for farmers to send in their views on the effect of chemicals on crop yields, disease control and crop quality.

Garret Wright, extension research associate from the University of Idaho showed the film and spoke briefly on some of the chemicals being reviewed.

The meeting in Cottonwood was sponsored by

the Idaho County Farm Bureau and was conducted by John Osborn who also

gave the invocation before the potluck supper.

Other business, included a report by Frank McIntire,

Kamiah, on the Young states, which drew 800 Farm Farmers and Ranchers Bureau people, including 90 Leadership training session from Idaho.

Leona Duman gave a report on the Leadership Conference held in Tomorrow? which tied with California for the "western the topic of the evening.

Conservation act ideas new

"Many of the ideas behind the Resources Conservation Act of 1977 which the conservation districts are working with is now new," Donald Fulton, State Resource Conservationist told approximately 50 persons attending the Idaho Association of Soil Conservation Districts Division II meeting Thursday, March 9.

It is for the protection and enhancement of land, water and related resources for

their sustained use which is what we are already doing.

The districts already have plans for this, but it may need some re-evaluation.

The new law wants the districts to get as much information from the public as possible through public meetings.

That information will then go to Congress, but they want the local information and implementation of the programs to solve the local problems.

The districts will be ap-

praising the resources and their use then evaluate any problems they have before developing any new programs, Fulton said.

The RCA program will continue through 1985 with reports from the local groups to Congress.

"We need to write our Congressmen in Washington now about the president's proposed budget cuts for the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

"Usually, the President cuts the funds and Congress raises it to an agreeable level when they hear from the people they represent," said Lowell Grim, president of the Idaho Association of Soil Conservation Districts.

Some of the problems facing the local districts are the Soil Conservation Service personnel ceiling, release of funds under the Culver Amendment, and reorganization of the government agencies to put the Forest Service and the Soil Conservation Service under the Department of Interior, Grim said.



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Horses popular pets

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And another 13 percent of the American population would like to own a horse.

The survey was conducted in mid-October as part of Gallup's bimonthly surveys of public attitudes and opinions.

It was sponsored by the American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA), Amarillo, Tex., the nation's largest equine registry.

Four percent of the population currently owns a horse, while 17 percent have owned horses in the past, the survey found.

The most popular horse in terms of breed is the American Quarter Horse with four percent of the population having owned or currently owning a Quarter Horse.

Horse ownership is most common among residents of small towns and rural areas, and residents of the western United States, the survey showed.

But among the non-horse-owning public, those most interested in purchasing a horse are residents of middle

sized cities, individuals in professional and business occupations, members of the \$10,000 to \$20,000 income category, and individuals with a college education.

"The role of the horse in today's society is much different than it was two generations ago," noted Albert Becker of Kansas City, Kansas, AQHA President.

"The horse is now a source of recreation and pleasure, in addition to being a full-fledged business for thousands of people, and represents more than a \$13 billion contribution to the nation's economy."

When non-horse owners were asked what kept them from purchasing a horse, lack of facilities to keep a horse and living in the city were at the top of the list.

Expense of owning a horse was the third most mentioned.

"The potential exists to triple horse ownership in this country," Becker said.

"The horse industry must be watchful of zoning restrictions on the local government level and land use and planning on the national level.

Also, we must encourage

the development of trails and bridle paths in our parks and recreation facilities."

Concerning the cost of owning a horse, Becker said it cost no more to own and keep a horse than the expense involved in many other hobbies.

"Purchasing a horse is like purchasing a car. There are many types available," Becker said.

He stated that prices for horses generally range from \$300 to several thousand, depending on the horse.

The American Quarter Horse Association was founded in 1940 to officially register and keep records on Quarter Horses.

Only 1,000 horses were registered in 1941. During 1977, nearly 100,000 were registered and more than 180,000 went to new owners.

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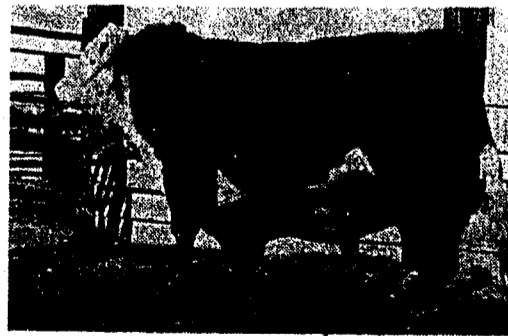
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Too-early planting is a common problem in Idaho, according to Tony Horn, University of Idaho extension horticulturist.

He urges gardeners to consult their local Extension Service office in order to learn the average date of the

last killing frost in their area.

"Tender vegetables such as sweet corn, tomato plants and snap beans should not be planted until about 10 days after the last killing frost.

"You will be wise to wait two or three weeks after the last killing frost before planting sweet potato plants, squash and watermelon.

"These vegetables are very tender and require warm soil and air temperatures," Horn said.

Half-hardy vegetables such as parsnips, carrots and Swiss chard can be planted two to four weeks before the last killing frost is expected, the extension horticulturist noted.

Hardest of all, he said, are radishes, spinach, parsley, turnips and peas. These can be planted as soon as the ground can be worked—about six to eight weeks before the last killing frost.

Horn recommends these rules for getting gardens off to a good start:

—Avoid weed problems by planting in a freshly prepared seedbed. Keep the ground worked where late sowings are to be made.

—Plant in straight rows. Besides making the garden more attractive, this will

simplify cultivation and harvesting.

—Plant at proper depth. Seeds are planted comparatively shallow early in spring and in heavy soils.

They are planted slightly deeper later in the season and in sandy soils. In general, large seeds must be planted deeper than smaller seeds.

—Space seeds properly in the row. Plants that are crowded will not develop properly.

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Stock prices higher

By Susan Tiede

"Demand is good for all types of livestock with prices considerably higher than last year," according to Snorty Arnzen, owner of the Cottonwood Sales Yard.

"Most types of livestock are in demand at this time—slaughter, stocker and feeder cattle as well as hogs and lambs."

Prices are \$10 per 100 pounds higher on the average than last year, but light animals are higher," he said.

Arnzen has been involved in livestock marketing since the early 1950s when he was a buyer for Hygrade meats at Tacoma.

He began working with the Cottonwood Sales Yard together with his father-in-law, Vade Spencer, in 1956.

"The last real good price year was 1973, but we aren't up to that level yet. I think it probably will go to that if the economy of the country stays healthy as there is a good demand for the protein products," Arnzen said.

In general, the demand is good and the supply is shortened up after the drought and low prices of the last few years.

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Some used to think mice fell to earth from the clouds during a storm.



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"We're starting up in the cycle of cattle prices."

Arnzen said last fall he could see the demand for calves and stockers when the California rains came and encouraged persons to buy at fall sales.

Most either didn't have the feed or financing then and now say they could have doubled their money in three or four months on those animals.

Weather has blocked in the mid-West, but it is now beginning to thaw. They have few cattle, but the grass and feed on hand for more.

Livestock will be moving there, but they are in short supply.

"We're short here too, so it could boost the prices with higher demands for the same number of animals."

The economy of the country and the world also affect the price level. The coal strike could lead to layoffs in other industries which would decrease the demand for meat products, he noted.

Demand is good for this area's livestock as some buyers buy the same producer's animals year after year.

They may not know Cottonwood, Idaho, at the packing plants, but they know and remember the animals that do well for them.

Producers from St. Maries, Pomeroy, Council and the Salmon River area all buy animals sold at Cottonwood.

Buyers ship the animals to Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, Montana, Kansas, Colorado and California, in addition to Washington, Oregon and Idaho, Arnzen said.

Competition is strong among the buyers for these animals as some of their clients build their trade around the Cottonwood animals.

He explained a store in Portland or Seattle may request a certain type of bacon.

The customer expects the store to have a certain quality of bacon and it fits the type raised here.

"Camas Prairie hogs are probably the best west of the Rockies right now," he said.

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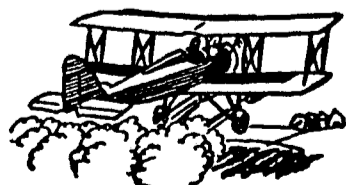
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Pauline, a Pacific Northwest Bell engineer,

recently walked off with a \$500 first prize at the society's annual meeting in Atlanta for her presentation, "Design of a Mechanized Burner for Heavily Thatched Seed-Grass Fields."

Kentucky bluegrass seed is produced largely in eastern Washington, Idaho and Montana.

The perennial bluegrass field develops a thick layer of thatch which must be removed for optimal seed yield.

Removal has traditionally been accomplished by open field burning, a controversial process because of the air pollution it causes.

As a student at the University of Washington, Pauline worked on a research project through a grant from the Intermountain Grass Growers Association, aimed at developing a mechanized burning system for thatch

removal to replace open field burning.

Her presentation won a \$100 first prize at a competition for mechanical engineering students held in Richland earlier this year.

Then it was on to the national contest in Atlanta where her entry competed with those of other regional winners.

If the stiffness of the

competition can be measured by names of the

projects, it was stiff competition indeed. Pauline's entry won over the "Design and Testing of Bileaflet Mitral Valve; A Kinematic of the Human Knee Joint; and Instrumentation for and Modification of a Thermomagnetic Engine."

It marked the first time a woman had won the Old

Guard award in the 21-year history of the contest.

Pauline was the third woman ever to compete for the prize.

The award came following completion of work on her mechanical engineering degree at the University earlier this year.

Pauline now works in space planning and project engineering for PNB.

Rangelands bill gains support

Senator Frank Church's legislation to restore the productivity of public rangelands gained support of the Carter Administration when the Director of the Bureau of Land Management testified before the House Interior Committee.

BLM Director Frank

Gregg testified on a bill introduced in the House by Rep. Teno Roncalio of Wyoming. The Roncalio bill is identical to Church's Senate legislation.

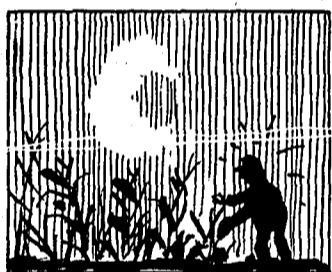
Gregg said in his testimony the bill "may prove to be one of the most significant events in the history of the rangelands

under BLM jurisdiction."

The legislation, known as the Public Grazing Lands Improvement Act of 1978, calls for an additional \$450 million to be spent over the next two decades on a major program to rehabilitate and restore the productivity of public rangelands.

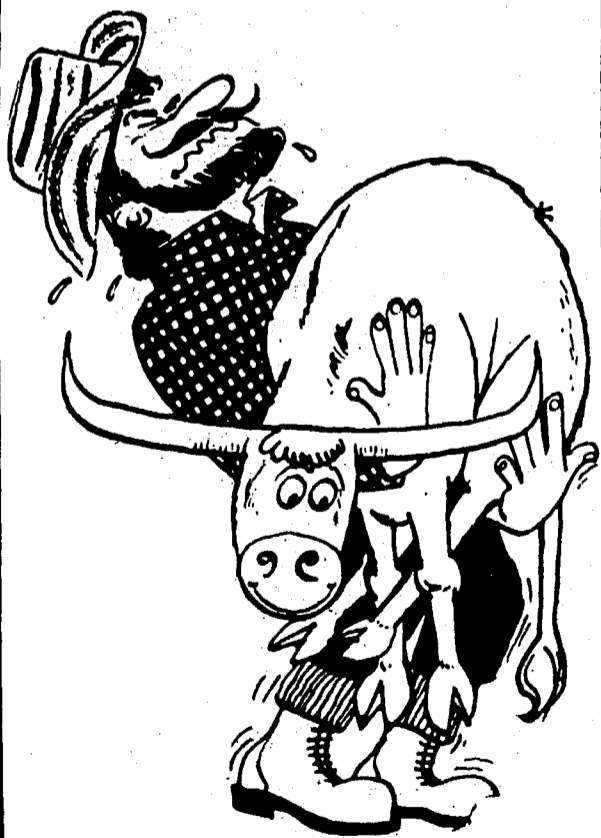
Church noted that over three-fourths of the lands administered by the Bureau are in an "unsatisfactory" condition.

As a result, they are not delivering their full potential for grazing, fish and wildlife habitat, recreation, and water and soil conservation.



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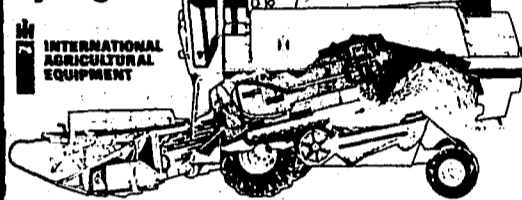
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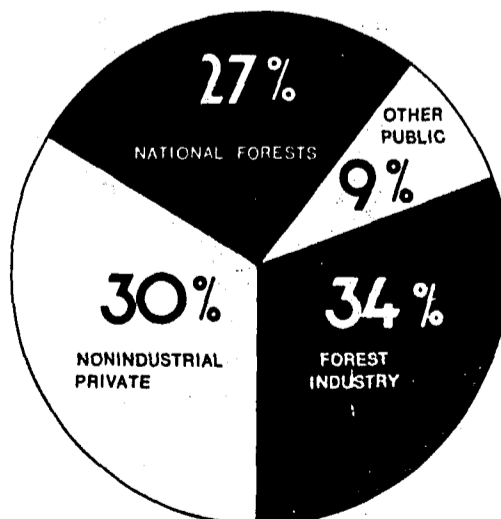
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Federal group seeks stability in wheat prices

U.S. government officials are exploring a variety of approaches in an attempt to achieve greater price stability for U.S. wheat exports, a University of Idaho economist reports.

"Sharp fluctuations in export demand for wheat and attendant high and low prices have created many problems through the years," said Dr. Robert L. Sargent.

"Forecasting world demand has been difficult because major wheat importers may make large purchases one year and then be almost completely out of the market in subsequent years.

"The rise and fall of export demand makes prices unstable, placing U.S. wheat growers in a vulnerable 'feast-or-famine' position," the UI extension economist added.

"Bilateral trade agreements may be one way to encourage a little bit more in the way of price stability.

"A similar goal also is being pursued by the United States in negotiations now under way for a new international wheat agreement," Sargent said.

"Several alternative approaches have been developed for removing some of the uncertainty in the U.S. wheat export pic-

ture," he pointed out.

"At present, we have a bilateral trade agreement with the Soviet Union which obligates the Soviets to buy a specified minimum tonnage of wheat each year at an unspecified price.

"Japan and Poland have given us similar assurances, though less formally, in memorandums of understanding.

"These are not absolutely firm commitments, of course, but they may be of some help in promoting price stability."

Sargent said "one of the big challenges for U.S. policy-makers" is to build permanent, reliable export markets for U.S. wheat producers.

"India imported 32.3 million bushels of Pacific Northwest white wheat during the first six months of the 1976-77 marketing year, but no purchases were made by India during the comparable period in the current marketing year.

"This type of 'on-again off-again' demand makes planning and policy formulation difficult," Sargent said.

Export demand for U.S. wheat has risen since World War II but the world market has had recurring fluctuations, Sargent noted.

Reviewing the history of the past 14 years, he pointed to changes in demand for U.S. wheat in four periods:

—"Feed the world" was the slogan of U.S. grain growers in 1964-67. Export sales rose above the earlier levels.

—"The Green Revolution" was the term used to describe 1968-71, a period of rising world grain production. In these years—except

for 1970—the export share of U.S. wheat production declined sharply and the U.S. share of world exports was down also.

—"World food shortages" were in the news during 1972-75 and there was talk of "changing weather patterns."

The export share of U.S. grain production climbed sharply.

More than 40 percent of total world wheat exports were provided by the United States.

—"Price disaster" could be the label for the years since 1975. Exports of U.S. wheat slumped in 1976-77 as world wheat production set new records.

This year, despite the likelihood of some improvement in export sales,

supplies of U.S. wheat are certain to remain at burdensome levels.

"Bilateral trade agreements may add a measure of price stability to U.S. wheat exports.

"In 1975, the United States entered into such an agreement with the Soviet Union.

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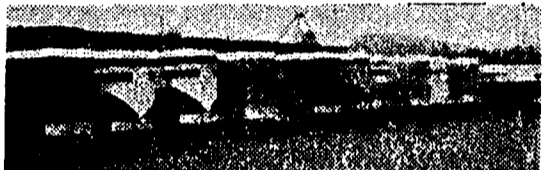


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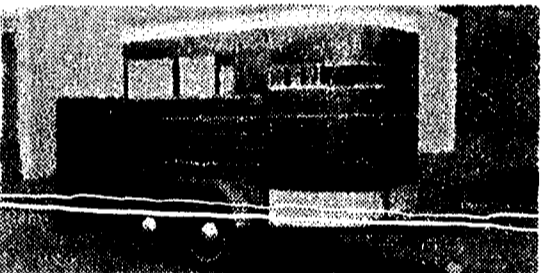
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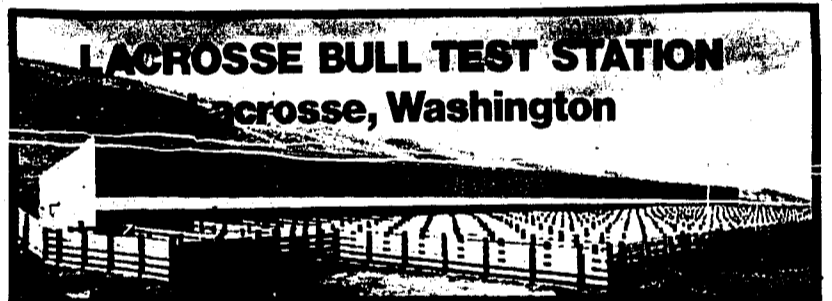
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Wheat growers urge \$4 target price

Jerry Johnson, President of the Idaho State Wheat Growers Association, joined wheat leaders from 14 states and the National Association of Wheat Growers March 14 in a special White House meeting with President Carter.

Johnson, a member of the NAWG executive committee, said the wheat delegation urged the need for a "significant income improvement in 1978."

They emphasized that existing wheat program levels were "insignificant" and would prevent the successful operation of the administration's current program.

Johnson said President Carter expressed confidence in the 1977 Farm Act, indicating it provided important flexibility for Secretary Bergland to act, should he be given a chance to function.

Wheat spokesmen stated, however, "that time had run out" and that the incentive features of the act must be updated to the suggested levels for the program to achieve results in 1978.

State and national wheat grower leaders presented Carter with their recommendations for an increase in the 1978 wheat target price to \$4 per bushel to attract maximum participation in the 20 per cent set-aside program.

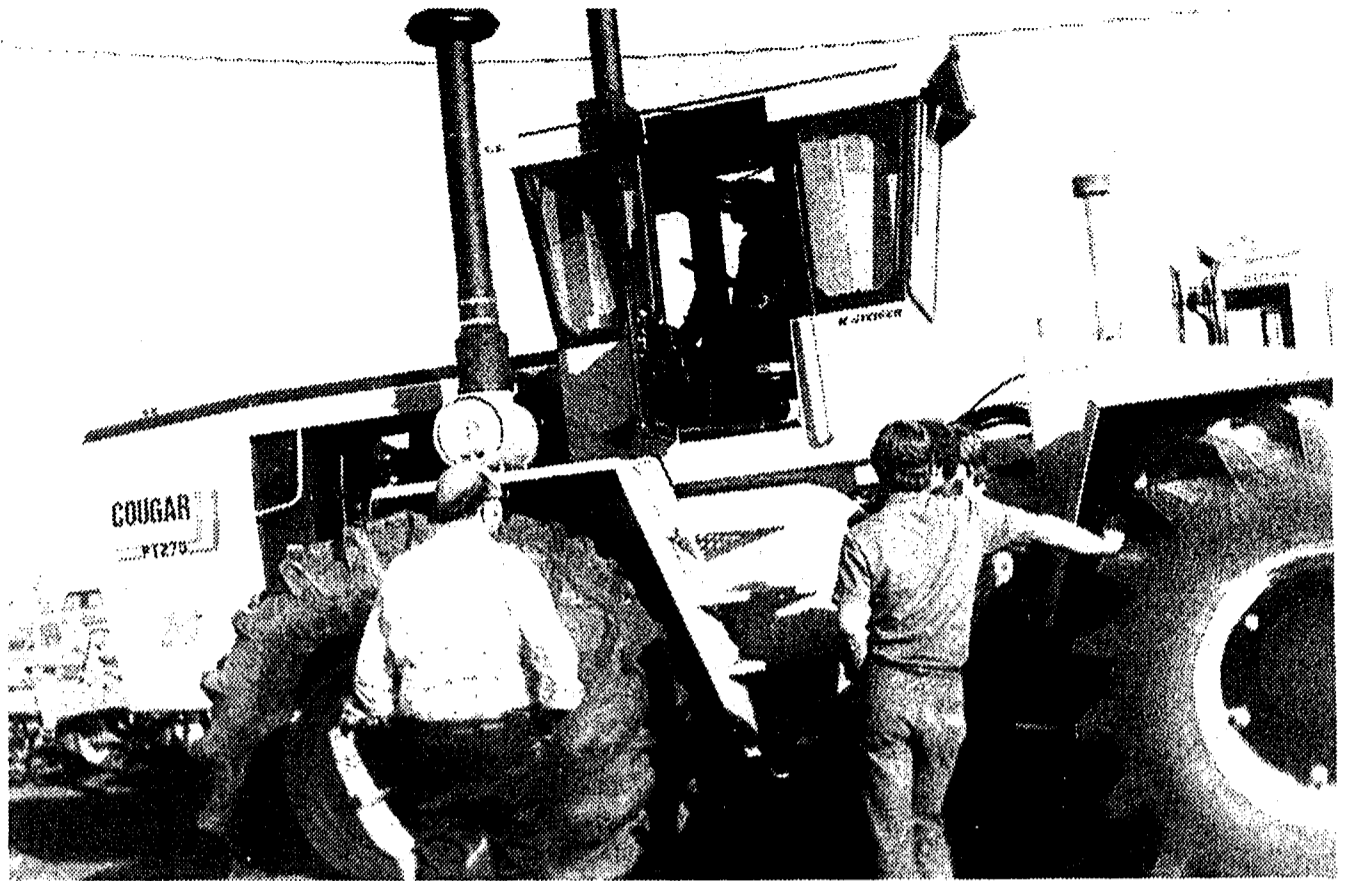
They said the set-aside percentage was "modest" and the highest possible level of compliance was needed to bring desired results.

They also explained their recommendation for adjustment of the wheat loan to \$3 per bushel, in order to more adequately reflect current farm production costs.

Efforts to expand wheat exports were also proposed and the wheat leaders specifically urged the need for an intermediate credit program, extension of credits and most favored nation status to markets not now eligible and strong support for market development programs.

According to Johnson, President Carter stressed the importance of producer participation in the 1978 wheat set-aside program and pledged that he would take up the wheat growers' recommendations in detail with Secretary Bergland.

Don Howe, past president of the National Association of Wheat Growers, from Bonners Ferry, Idaho, also attended the meeting with Carter.



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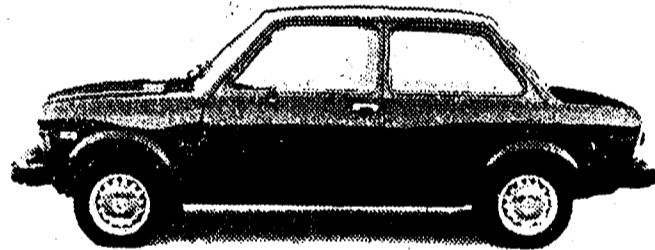


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Spring is transplant time for trees, shrubs

The best time to transplant deciduous, bare-rooted trees and shrubs is in the early spring while they are still dormant and when danger of severe winter temperatures is past and the ground is no longer frozen.

"Balled-and-burlapped or container-grown trees and shrubs can be transplanted nearly any time of the year, but they will become established better if transplanted in the spring or early summer," explained Tony Horn, University of Idaho extension ornamental and fruit specialist.

"This gives them a chance to grow a strong root system before severe cold temperatures set in."

Plant trees and shrubs as soon as possible after they are received from the nursery.

If roots are bare, soak them for half an hour in water, and keep them damp,

away from heat and out of the wind until planting.

Dig the planting hole for bare-rooted trees and shrubs wide enough that the roots can be spread in their natural position and deep enough that the plant can be placed at its original depth.

Add about a shovelful of topsoil around the roots and firm it to eliminate air pockets. Add more soil, firm and tamp it until the hole is about three-fourths full; then add water.

"When the water has soaked into the soil, fill the hole with the remaining soil, leaving the top two inches loose and easily crumbled," Horn said.

"Don't tamp wet soil or it will become compacted and will exclude air."

For balled-and-burlapped or container-grown trees and shrubs, dig the planting hole about two feet wider than the diameter of the root ball or container and just deep

enough so the tree or shrub will be at the same depth that it grew originally.

Keep the burlap intact as you place the tree or shrub in the hole, but cut away as much of the burlap as possible after the plant is in place since it will rot very slowly if left around the ball.

As you fill the hole around the ball, firm the soil and settle it with water.

"Water the tree or shrub when you plant, even if the soil is moist," Horn advised. "The water will help settle the soil around the roots and eliminate air pockets. Be sure the entire root system is wet."

Generally, balled-and-burlapped trees and shrubs need no pruning after planting, Horn indicated. Bare-rooted plants, however, need to be pruned to compensate for the loss of roots in transplanting.

Remove about one-third of the top growth from nursery-grown trees and about one-half from plants obtained from the woods or from a neighbor. Prune after transplanting.

Unless the wind is severe, trees less than two inches in diameter will grow and stand the wind better if not supported with stakes. A tree with a ball of earth usually needs no additional support, but bare-rooted trees more than two inches in diameter probably should be braced with three guy wires spaced equally around the tree.

"I do not recommend

fertilizing the new tree or shrub until it has a chance to get established," Horn said.

"After the tree is established, though, add one-half pound of commercial

fertilizer containing five, 10 or 20 percent nitrogen."

Whether in dry form or mixed with water, sprinkle the fertilizer in a foot-wide band on loose soil around the

tree, keeping the fertilizer about six inches from the

trunk so it won't run down the trunk to burn the roots.

Then water to carry the nitrogen to the roots.

Cattle restrictions considered

Outbreaks of psoroptic cattle scabies in nine western and midwestern states has prompted state animal health authorities to consider imposing import restrictions on cattle entering Idaho from those states.

According to Dr. A. P. Schneider, Boise, chief of the Idaho Department of Agriculture's bureau of animal health, there were 39 confirmed outbreaks of the contagious skin disease during December in

Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma, Nebraska, Kansas, South Dakota and Iowa.

"We're considering putting import requirements on all cattle entering Idaho from those nine states," Schneider said. "This would amount to requiring all cattle shipped from those states to have a prior permit before entry and officially supervised double-dippings prior to shipment," the animal health official explained.

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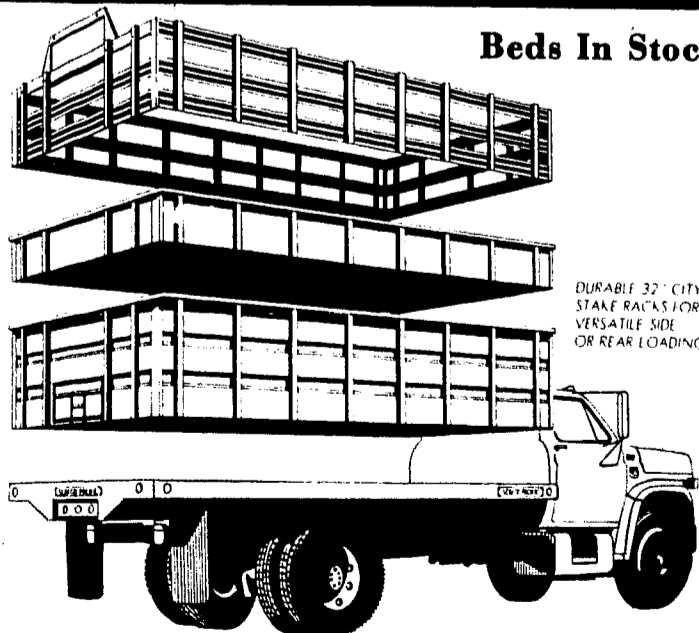
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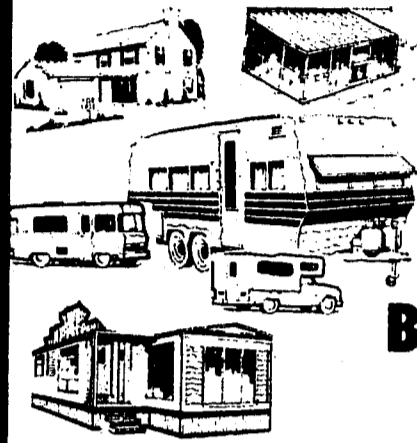
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Non-point pollution program described

Idaho's clean water program will take on a major roll in Idaho County next year according to Ralph Crea, Chairman, Idaho Soil and Water Conservation District, Grangeville.

"This will be our involvement in the federal water pollution Control Act which requires that all waters be fishable and swimmable by 1983," he said.

This national program is administered by the Environmental Protection Agency.

"Responsibility for section 208 of the federal act, having to do with water quality management, has been delegated to state agencies of government with local SCD's administering the program at the County level," Crea said.

Local agencies, including the Soil Conservation Service, Agricultural Stabilization & Conservation Service, and the County Extension Service will lend major support to the SCD's in this program.

"Water has always been an universal cleansing agent for man. In most areas it has been inexpensive and plentiful. No doubt this situation has contributed to its neglect for generations until today most people will agree that it is now time to clean up our water."

In agricultural areas, sediment is the main concern for water pollution. With this, of course, comes chemical contamination from fertilizer, insecticides and herbicides.

This type of contamination in water is referred to as non-point pollution.

"In other words, it seems that when water is in soil

there is no problem, but it's when we put soil in water that problems start.

"Fortunately, we feel that Idaho County has a minimum problem with pollution.

"For the most part our waters are already very fishable and except for temperatures they are also swimmable. Still we have some areas of potential serious erosion depending on how the land is farmed.

"We are glad that SCD's were given the authority to develop the program locally.

This way we have the first input as to what will be expected from land owners in order to comply with EPA requirements.

"Since the SCD board consists of local land owners we will be developing the requirements of our own clean water program," Crea noted.

"Our authority and responsibility is to select conservation programs that will control runoff and erosion under the various circumstances that occur in Idaho County.

"These programs may include minimum tillage, waterways, converting from cropland to pasture land, or any other practice suitable for a specific site.

"The main concern is that the end result will produce water quality that will meet EPA standards.

"In this water quality program, conservation practices are referred to as Best Management Practices or BMP's. Federal funds for cost-sharing with the land operator in applying BMP's will also be available," he said.

"The federal program is set up so that participation

can be on a voluntary basis. We encourage land operators to be considering their needs in this program which will open in 1979.

"When runoff problems are not corrected voluntarily, then the law is written up for the program to become regulatory and enforcement will be carried out by the EPA.

"Presently we are being assisted by the Soil Conservation Service and other local agencies in the initial steps of preparing the program. This includes preparation of a County erosion map, selection of BMP's and making plans for public involvement in the plan before the program is finalized and submitted to the State level for approval," Crea advised.

Many land operators are taking steps already to clean up turbid waters. Strip cropping and waterways have been the main BMP's applied to date.

"It is important that we become interested in water management, not just from the standpoint of clean water, but for doing a better overall job of erosion control as well.

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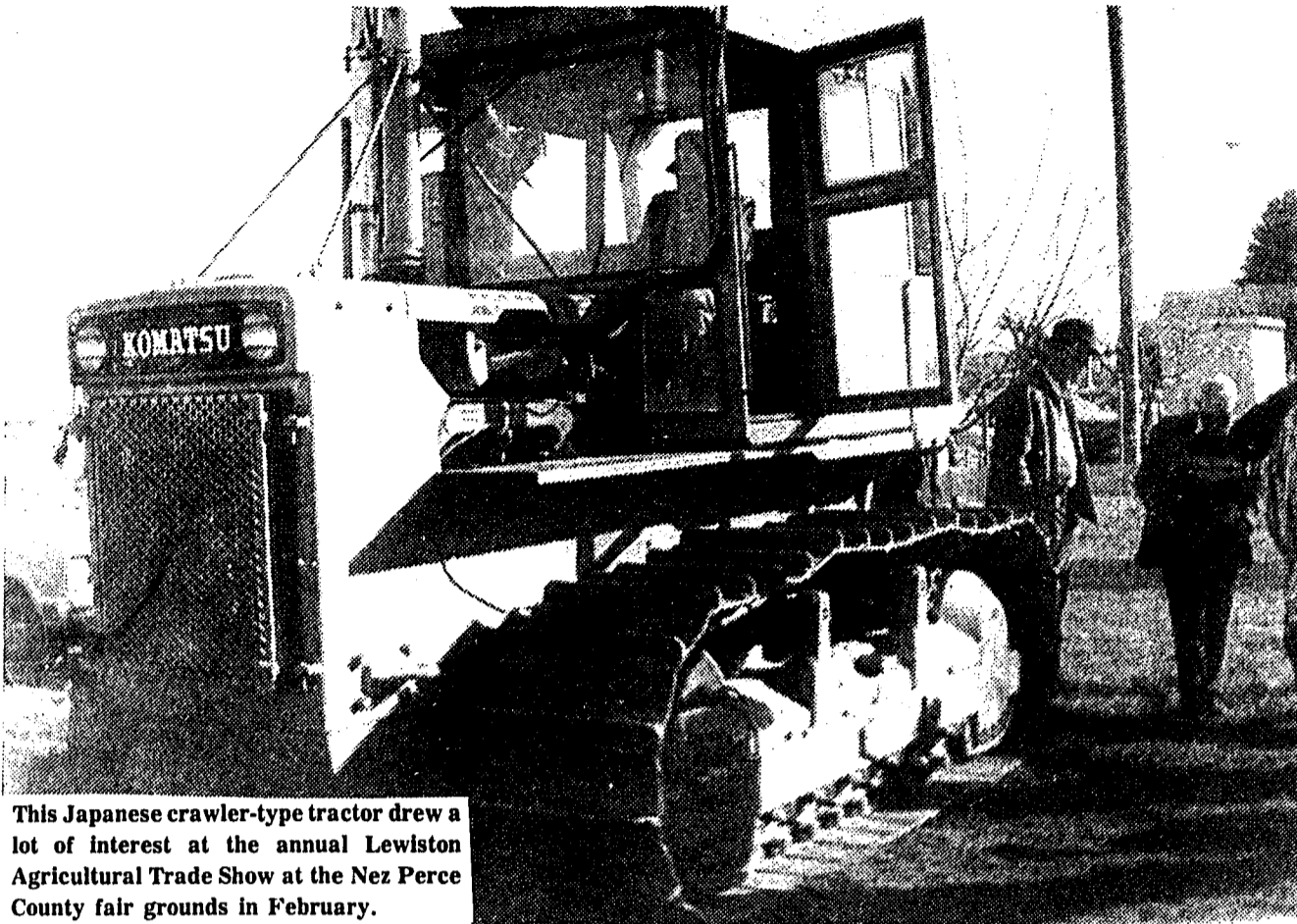
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Watershed controls are tightened

The Soil Conservation Service (SCS) will require that 50 percent of the area upstream from a proposed watershed project impoundment be adequately protected from soil erosion before construction on the dam can begin, M. Rupert Cutler, assistant secretary of agriculture for conservation, research and education, announced today.

"The new policy will help SCS and local project sponsors not only control erosion but also emphasize water conservation, water quality, and fish and wildlife habitat," Dr. Cutler said.

Previously, SCS had required only that 50 percent of the needed conservation practices be planned—but not actually in place—prior to construction of dams.

Requiring that 50 percent of the affected area be adequately protected will help conserve soil, reduce water quality problems, and help keep reservoirs from filling with sediment.

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Ads must be at the Chronicle office by the second Thursday of each month to get in that month's edition. Mail to The Farm and Ranch Chronicle, P. O. Box 157, Cottonwood, Idaho 83522.

Governor endorses Farm strike

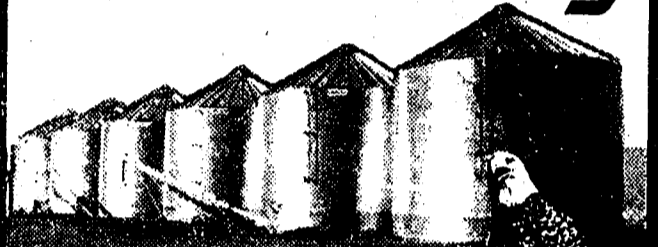
Gov. John Evans has given his support to a Senate Joint Memorial endorsing the American Agriculture Movement and its goals. Evans said the memorial commends the movement for its efforts in calling attention to the economic plight of American farmers.

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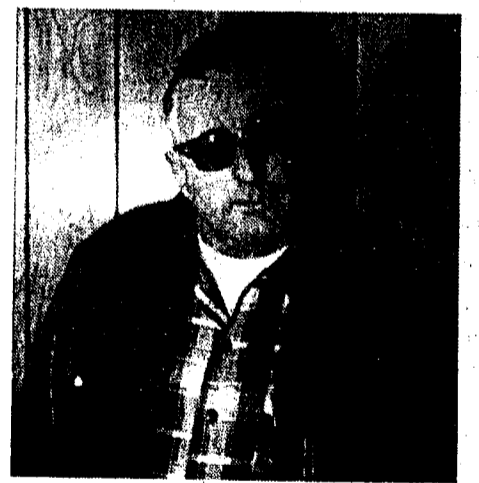
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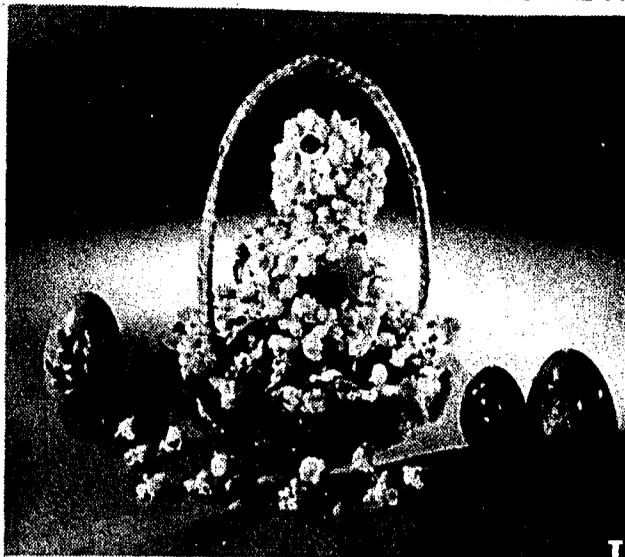
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POP A CHICK IN A BASKET FOR EASTER

March winds herald an early Easter this year. For those who are interested in something other than the usual holiday goodies, try some simply delicious snacks such as popcorn, raisins and peanuts. Glamorize your table or mantle with an attractive homemade popcorn chicken-in-a-basket surrounded with edible snacks. Just start popping some corn (we've used the kind that pops in its own pan) and watch the family race for the kitchen. Here are the directions for the project.



- 1 package (5 oz.) Jiffy Pop® Popcorn
- 1 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup corn syrup
- 1/2 cup water
- 1 to 2 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 1 cup raisins
- 1 jar (8 oz.) Dry Roasted Peanuts

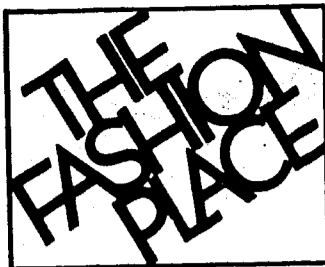
Prepare popcorn according to package directions. Save out two popped cups; pour remainder into large bowl or pan. Heat sugar, corn syrup and water in saucepan to 250°-260° F or until a drop of syrup in cold

water forms a hard ball. Save some syrup for attaching decorations; pour remaining syrup over popcorn and mix thoroughly with two large spoons.

Coated popcorn is now ready to be formed into chick and basket. Coat hands with butter. Form two balls, one for the chick head, approximately 3" in diameter, and the other 4" in diameter for the body. Place a good sized dab of hot syrup on the large ball, press smaller ball on it. Set aside.

You will need a 9" cake pan or shallow skillet for

the basket. Press remaining coated popcorn firmly on bottom and sides of greased cake or frying pan. Let it stand for 10 minutes, then remove. Make a handle by tearing off approximately 20" of aluminum foil; then fold foil lengthwise 4 times. Wrap handle with ribbon. Secure handle to basket with hot syrup. Decorate chick and basket with gumdrops and lifesavers. Mix raisins, peanuts and 2 cups of popped corn; place in basket; arrange chick on top. Place filled basket on mantel or table, surround with colored eggs.



Got the rainy-day blues? Cheer up! This season you can weather the weather in terrific-looking, spirit-lifting rain gear.



One bright idea is the updated balmacaan sketched here. The raglan sleeves and the full inverted-pleat back make it just right with today's bigger and easier-fitting clothes.

Still another new coat look is the light, unlined "rain-shell" made of a nylon that looks like (but doesn't cost like) silk. Check for details like a full shape, ties at neck and wrists, a hood. An easy coat like this could even layer over another—warmer—coat on chilly days.

Don't forget rain-as-rain accessories. Consider a color-coded rainhat, umbrella (one that's really big) and rainboots—perhaps the kind with sturdy lug soles.

A beauty tip for those gray days: Shiny lip color, blusher and waterproof eye makeup are in order. Using clear, bright colors will help make you look—and feel—sunnier!



THE EASTER HAM

During the Easter season, ham has always been a popular main course in the United States. An English naval officer, back in 1837, may have seen one reason why hams went over big with early Americans when he said, "In a new country, pork is more easily raised than any other meat, and the Americans eat a great deal of pork."

Here's a recipe using a 3-to-5 pound canned ham that's sure to make a hit at your family's Easter dinner:

EASTER BAKED HAM

- 1 ready-to-eat canned ham
- Glaze: 1 cup dark corn syrup
- 1 teaspoon orange rind
- 1 1/2 teaspoon dry mustard

Cook a 5-pound ham about one hour at 300° F. Meanwhile, mix corn syrup, orange rind and mustard. Remove ham from oven and score, cutting 1/8 inch deep. Brush with glaze and cook 40 minutes, basting frequently.

IDEAS & FOOD for thought

By Pat Wherry

New Liquid Brown Sugar Adds Zest To Hearty Soup



Barbecued Bean Soup gets its distinctive flavor from Domino® Liquid Brown Sugar. This new product is real 100% brown sugar in liquid form. It can never lump or harden! What's more, it contains no preservatives or artificial flavoring. And because the flavor is concentrated, in many recipes you need only half as much as regular brown sugar. Try this new Liquid Brown Sugar in casseroles, glazes, cookies, and as a topping for pancakes, ice cream and cereal.

BARBECUED BEAN SOUP

8 Servings

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| 1 pound large, dried lima beans soaked all night | 1/4 cup vinegar |
| 2 pounds Italian sweet sausage (or cooked miniature meatballs) | 1 tablespoon salt |
| 1 cup chopped onion | 1 tablespoon prepared mustard |
| 1/2 cup chili sauce | 1 can (1 pound) whole tomatoes |
| 1/4 cup Domino® Liquid Brown Sugar | 3 quarts water |
| | 2 carrots, sliced |

Fry sausage in large heavy pot until well browned (add a little oil if sausages stick to pan). Remove meat and pour off all but 2 tablespoons fat. Saute onion in remaining fat until translucent. Drain beans and add to onions. Add chili sauce, Liquid Brown Sugar, vinegar, salt, mustard, tomatoes and water. Cover and cook 1 1/2 hours, stirring occasionally. Add sausage and carrots. Cover and cook 45 minutes longer. (If refrigerated overnight, the soup may thicken. Add water until proper consistency).

STUFFED BAKED APPLES

6 Servings

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| 6 medium-size cooking apples | 1/4 cup Domino® Liquid Brown Sugar |
| 1/4 cup raisins | 2 tablespoons lemon juice |
| 1/4 cup chopped nuts | 2 tablespoons butter |
| 1/4 teaspoon cinnamon | |

Preheat oven to 375° F. Core apples. Pare skin 1-inch down on apples. Place apples in shallow baking dish. Combine raisins, nuts and cinnamon. Fill centers of apples with mixture. Mix Liquid Brown Sugar with lemon juice. Pour over each apple. Pour the remaining syrup into baking dish. Top each apple with 1 teaspoon butter. Bake 45 minutes or until apples are tender, basting several times with syrup in dish.

HOME BUYER



By William J. McAuliffe, Jr. Executive Vice President American Land Title Association

Boundary Battle

Imagine looking through a window of your recently-purchased home to discover a neighbor building a fence across part of your yard.

This happened to a buyer in the southeast, whose attorney responded with a trespass and injunction suit against the neighbor.

Since the buyer was protected by owner's title insurance—and an adverse claim against his title was at

McAuliffe hand—the insuring title company accepted responsibility for defending his interest.

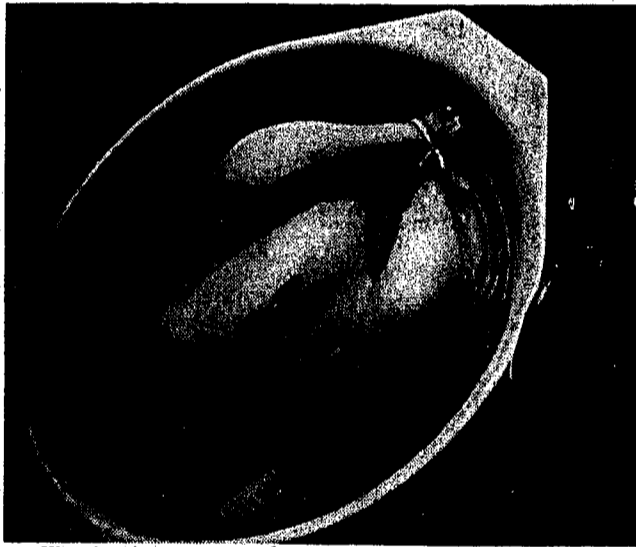
Through the efforts of the title company, an agreed-upon boundary line was established. The title insurer paid legal fees and costs to save the buyer from financial loss.

While many problems of title are revealed in the title search of public records that precedes completion of a real estate purchase, there are other hazards—such as this boundary dispute—that even the most diligent search will not disclose. Owner's title insurance will protect a home buyer against title difficulties including these hidden pitfalls.

The purchase of a home normally is an excellent long-range investment in these inflationary times. But remember precautions to safeguard your ownership before you buy.

For free information on things to consider in home buying, write American Land Title Association, Box 566, Washington, D.C.

CHICKEN IN RUM SAUCE



Watch the supermarket specials for whole chickens. They're still one of the best buys.

This recipe matches poached chicken in creamy rum sauce with nutmeged rice.

POACHED CHICKEN IN RUM SAUCE

- 1 3-pound chicken
- 1 carrot, trimmed and scraped
- 1 onion, peeled
- 1 bay leaf
- 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme
- 1 rib celery, broken
- 6 cups water
- Salt
- 8 peppercorns, crushed
- 1/2 pound mushrooms
- 1 tablespoon butter or margarine
- 1 tablespoon flour
- 1/2 cup heavy cream
- Pepper
- 3 tablespoons dark rum (80 proof)

Tie chicken and place chicken, carrot, onion, bay leaf, thyme, celery, water, salt and peppercorns in large pot. Cover; bring to a boil and simmer 30 minutes. Add mushrooms and simmer 15 minutes. Remove chicken and mushrooms; set aside and keep warm. Discard other vegetables. Cook the chicken broth down to 4 cups.

Melt butter or margarine in saucepan and add flour, stirring briskly with wire whisk. Add one and one-half cups reduced chicken broth, stirring rapidly with the whisk. Save remaining broth for other use. When blended and smooth, add cream, salt and pepper to taste. Add the rum. Serve the chicken carved with mushroom and rum sauce. Serve with nutmeged rice. Makes 4 servings.

NUTMEGED RICE

- 1 cup uncooked rice
- Salt
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg

Cook rice according to package directions. Add butter and nutmeg and toss until well coated. Makes 4 servings.

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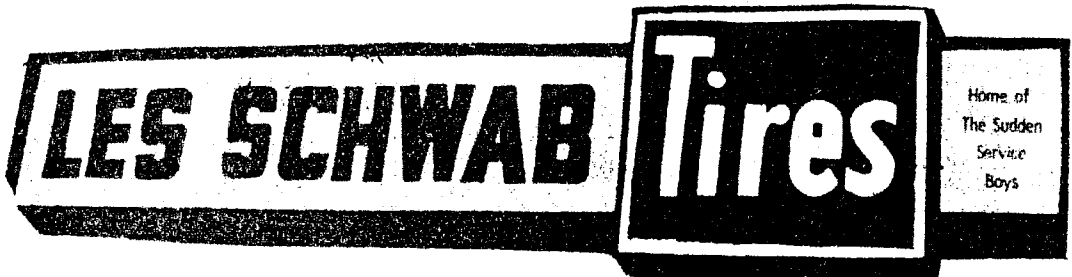
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