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Flock Culling Asked To Save Grain

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On display in the window of The Press office is an Irish potato weighing one pound, three ounces. It is 13 inches in girth. The big tuber, a Sequoia, was grown by Lawrence Smith, of the Cartoogechaye section, and was overlooked when he plowed up his potatoes last fall. He found it a few days ago.

ed to conserve grain for human consumption and to help prevent starvation abroad, according to word received from the United States Department of Agriculture by Robert Fulton, chairman of the Macon County AAA committee.

Macon county poultry producers are asked to cull at least one hen out of every seven in their laying flocks during May and June, because immediate need for grain is greater than the need for eggs.

To bring about a proper balance between livestock numbers and grain supplies available for feed, the government has increased the ceiling prices for corn, wheat, oats, barley, rye and grain sorghums. Increases have also been made in the ceiling price for some protein feeds.

When the war ended, food production emphasis, which had been on heavy feeding of grain to livestock, had to be shifted to direct use of grain for human consumption in order to make limited world supplies go as far as possible in saving lives, it was pointed out.

Fifteen pounds of grain, enough to feed three or four hen-producing hens for a month, will provide enough flour and bread for a starving person for a month, it was said.

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A BOY AND HIS CALF—Thurman Blaine, 15-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blaine, of Franklin, Route 1, is shown here with his registered Guernsey calf. Pictured with him is H. W. Cabe, of the Bank of Franklin, sponsor of the calf. The animal, "Belmont View Peacemaker", came from the farm of A. B. Slagle, and is slightly more than a year old. She was sired by "El Manor Hollie Royal", and "Flissie Davis of Flint Farm" is her dam.

Will Donate Registered Guernsey For Best Essay

A registered Guernsey heifer will be given to the Macon County 4-H boy or girl who writes the best essay on the subject "The Guernsey Cow is Best for Macon County Because . . ." it was announced this week.

The calf is sponsored by J. D. Elrod, field representative of the Southern dairies, and the essays will be handled through the county agent's office.

This will bring to 22 the number of registered Guernsey calves owned by farm youths of this county. Fifteen have been turned over to farm boys by Franklin business firms, through a plan worked out by the county agent's office; Coble Dairy products will sponsor the sixteenth calf under this plan; and five enterprising youngsters have bought their own registered Guernseys.

The five who have purchased calves are Adolph Conley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Conley, of Franklin, Route 1; Edwin and Frank Nolen; sons of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nolen, of Route 1; Wayne Stewart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harley Stewart, of Route 2; and Edward Crawford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Crawford, of Route 4.

Rules for the essay contest were outlined as follows:

The entries must be legibly written or typewritten, on one side of the paper only, and be from 250 to 300 words in length. Each must bear the name, address, and club of the writer, and all must be in the county agent's office by August 1.

Since many boys and girls have seen the calves already placed in the county, it is anticipated that many essays will be submitted. The calf to be given the winner has not yet been selected, but such calves are valued at from \$150 up.

A number of Guernsey sales have been held recently in Western North Carolina, County Agent S. W. Mendenhall pointed out in connection with the contest announcement, and he added that farmers who wish to attend the sale at Waynesville next Wednesday should

Plant Disease Specialist To Be Here June 6

Howard R. Garriss, specialist in plant diseases, will spend Thursday, June 6, in Macon County, working with farmers in the control of vegetables and truck crop diseases, particularly tomato blight.

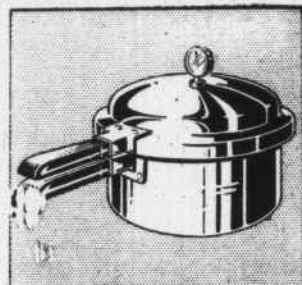
Thursday morning at 10 o'clock Mr. Garriss will give a demonstration on tomato blight control at Roy Dills' farm on Peck's Creek. In the afternoon of the same day, he will meet with the Home Demonstration club at Mrs. Effie Hunt's on Tessenta.

Any one having trouble or who has had trouble with any kind of plant disease on any farm crop should attend one of these meetings, S. W. Mendenhall, county agent, suggested.

The housewife can make an important contribution to food conservation by preventing small ever day wastes, such as the oil which runs over the side of the can or is left in the salad bowl.

In normal times, 22.2 per cent of all airport income in the United States comes from the sale of aviation gasoline.

contact Paul Nave, Coble Dairy representative in this county, or the county agent. The sale will be held at the State Test farm starting at 1 p. m.



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Plan Showing Of Movies On Farm Topics

Talking motion pictures dealing with farm problems will be shown at various points in this county next week.

One picture, entitled "The Living Rock", shows an actual farm family who came almost to the point of starvation, due to poor, eroded soil. With the use of lime, phosphate, and legumes, this family improved their farm and their living condition, and became substantial citizens in their community.

The other picture shows how to construct an upright silo with woven wire fence and paper. Any farmer having as many as six milk cows should have a silo, S. W. Mendenhall, county agent, pointed out, adding that this woven wire or picket silo is one of the cheapest types to construct.

The pictures will be shown as follows:

Monday, June 3, at the Tellico Baptist church; Tuesday, Higdonville school; Wednesday,

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Holly Springs school; Thursday, Slagle school; and Friday, Otto school.

All showings will start promptly at 8:30 p. m., and farmers are invited to come and bring their families.

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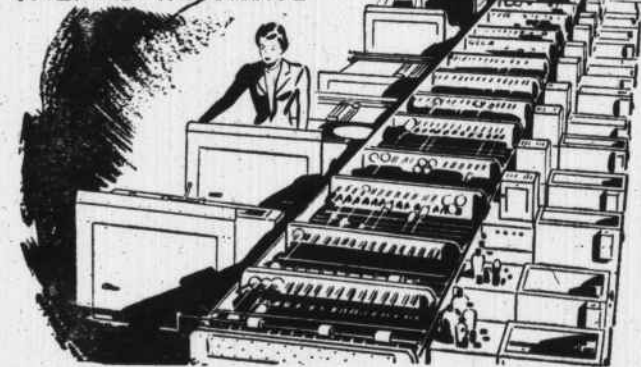
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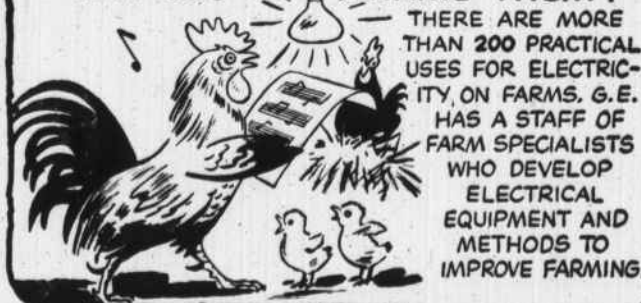
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