

## Farmer Must Be Business Man, Too; New Book Lists Points To Watch

Modern farming requires more and greater skills than almost any other occupation, and this applies to the financial as well as other phases of farming, says the State College Extension service, in announcing publication of a new U. S. Department of Agriculture booklet on "Managing Farm Finances."

Farmers must not only be expert at growing crops and

raising livestock, but must also know how to handle the complexities of the business side of farming, the booklet points out. The major points of good financial management on farms are set out in the new publication, which was prepared by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics.

The booklet suggests things to look for in investing money and gives pointers on buying a farm. A section entitled, "How Much Is a Farm Worth?" ex-

plains how to figure the value of a farm based on annual returns from the farm and the interest rate for loans.

The publication discusses use of credit for buying farm machinery as well as farm land. It explains how one can budget his debts for seasonal needs, to avoid paying interest on money until the money is actually needed. It gives hints for making wise decisions as to investments for the home as well as credit for purchase of

## State College Answers Timely Farm Questions

**QUESTION:** Why is it most turkeys are not good egg producers?

**ANSWER:** R. S. Dearstyne, head of the State college poultry department, says that for years the emphasis in turkey breeding has been toward type. However, at the Central Experiment Station farm near Raleigh, where for the past eight years tests have been conducted to improve the utility of the Bronze turkey, one turkey hen laid 219 eggs in 1945 and two hens have passed the 200-egg mark this year by producing 203 and 211 eggs during a 12-month period. According to Mr. Dearstyne, the tests show that high egg production can be developed in turkeys through careful breeding factors.

**QUESTION:** What kind of saw is best for pruning fruit trees?

**ANSWER:** Any kind will do which is sharp enough to do the job. However, a swivel-bladed saw seems best suited to the work. It costs only a few dollars but will last a life-time if given proper care.

There are sections on "Reserves in Farming" and insurance against fire, windstorm and hail, as well as auto and life insurance. Also included are tables useful in figuring out how fast a dollar accumulates at compound interest over given periods of time, and how much must be paid each year in order to pay off a loan in any given number of years.

Copies of "Managing Farm Finances" may be obtained the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C., for 20 cents each.

farm machinery and for other productive purposes. It also explains the use of notes, mortgages, and other credit instru-

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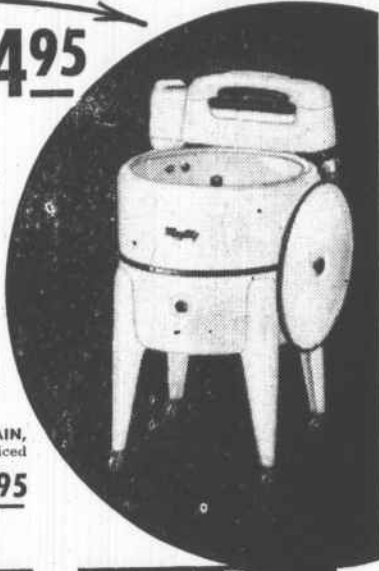
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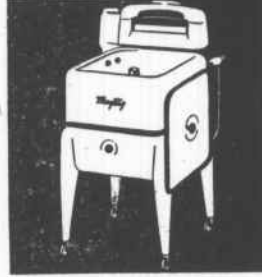
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