

Adams County Farmers' Corner

County Agent's Corner

Corn stalks enter a corn picker's snapping rolls at the rate of about 10 feet a second. And every fall, hundreds of Indiana farmers prove that this is faster than a man can move. Some operators even have artificial limbs or hooks for verification. Failure to stop the picker to clean out trash is the most common violation of safety rules. When you hear of a corn picker accident, you can be sure that the power was on.

All safety shields should be kept in place, that pickers and other equipment be maintained in top condition and that operators drive at a proper speed for machinery and condition of the corn.

Feeding Cows

Additional milk from your dairy herd during lactation can depend on how cows are fed during their dry period and immediately after calving. Feed the best forage available on your farm during the six to eight weeks just prior to calving. When forced to feed poor roughage, supplement it with a few pounds of grain each day. During the last two to three weeks, the grain mixture should be gradually increased until it equals one to 1½ per cent of the cow's body weight by calving time. Maintain until the fourth day after calving. This method is easier to bring the cow up to full feed earlier in her lactation, when her energy needs are the highest.

Winterize Alfalfa

Increase grain allowance gradually after calving. When cow fails to respond to additional feed due to appetite or lack of additional milk response, maintain the grain level until production begins to decline. Then grain should be adjusted according to decline for the rest of lactation.

Winterize Alfalfa

Winterize alfalfa roots this fall by applying a fertilizer containing potassium. Alfalfa roots, well supplied with potassium, develop larger and more flexible tissue tubes for conducting nutrients through the plant. Follow Purdue University soil test recommendations to determine the correct amount of fertilizer to apply.

Hi Neighbors!

Indiana state department of conservation is offering this year a wildlife seedling packet, consisting of 150 assorted seedlings and shrubs, to benefit wildlife for \$2.00. The packet consists of: 50 Red pine, 50 White pine, 10 Black Walnut, 10 Autumn Olive, 25 Lespedeza Japonica, 5 Highbush Cranberry.

Orders should be submitted on a standard order blank which is available at the soil conservation office and the county extension office.

The packet may be picked up at the Jasper-Pulaski state nursery, located 5 miles North of Medaryville, their phone number is 843-3644. Or the packets can be shipped by express.

In order to receive the packet the purchaser agrees to:

1. To plant the trees in Indiana, in rural sections outside of city or town limits for woodlot, windbreaks, erosion or other forestry purposes.

2. Not to resell or give away rooted stock.

3. Not to use any of these trees for ornamental or shade purposes.

4. To properly plant and protect the trees and planting area from fire, livestock, trespassers and other destructive agents insofar as practicable.

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ASCS Farm Notes

OCTOBER 2 — DEADLINE TO SIGN UP FOR 1965 WHEAT PROGRAM:

Wheat growers are reminded that there are only a few more days to sign up to participate in the 1965 voluntary wheat program — October 2nd is the deadline.

Office hours are from 7:45 a.m. through 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. We do not close during the lunch hour.

Anyone who cannot come to the office during the regular office hours may call and make an appointment to come in after hours to sign up for the wheat program.

SUBSTITUTION UNDER THE 1965 WHEAT PROGRAM:

For the first time, there is a substitution provision in the 1965 wheat and feed grain program.

This means that a producer who has both a farm wheat allotment and a feed grain base, and who signs up for both programs, will be eligible to grow wheat on feed grain permitted acres, or grow feed grains on all or part of the wheat permitted acres.

Such a producer would take part in the 1965 program relating to wheat and feed grains as he would without the substitution provision except that the acreage of either wheat or feed grains could be greater.

The diversion payment such a producer would earn under the programs, while using the substitution provision, would depend upon the crop actually diverted from production into an approved conserving use.

Remember, participation in programs means cash in the producer's pocket.

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August 31.

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WHEAT PROGRAM SEEKS LESS WHEAT:

The wheat program still has the reduction of grain production and stocks as one of its principal purposes.

The fact that farmers have several options available to them under the program, does not change the fact that the diversion programs are intended primarily to help farmers take acreage out of crops already in excessive supply and shift such acreage into an approved conserving use.

The programs merely provide means of adapting program provisions more closely to the operations of the individual farm in working toward the program's objectives.

SECRETARY FREEMAN LISTS WHEAT PROGRAM ADVANTAGES:

Secretary of agriculture, Orville L. Freeman, recently pointed out that the program will:

1. Bring greater elasticity to the wheat market; 2. Provide farmers with greater freedom of choice; 3. Enable wheat to move at free market prices; and 4. Allow U. S. wheat to move in world markets at world prices.

"Thus", the secretary said, "these programs for wheat and for feed grains, both the product of a long and difficult legislative history, offer today the first real promise of a permanent solution to the problem of achieving a better balance between supply and demand."

THE SAFETY CORNER AVOID TRAFFIC TANGLES BY:

1. Stop smoothly—a gradual stop

gives the following driver time to react and space to stop.

2. Signal — signal your intentions well before you slow or stop. Flash your brake lights, use them or hand (or both) signals if slowing for a turn.

3. Keep clear — when someone rides your tail, slow down and encourage him to pass — if he doesn't, you have given both yourself and the driver behind an extra stopping margin.

4. DRIVING WATCHWORD — CAUTION

Reported by Dianne Fuhrman.

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ASCS COUNTY COMMITTEE NAMED:

Delegates from the twelve townships attended the county convention in the ASCS county office,

MAJOR PURPOSE OF FALL SIGNUP:

The major purpose of prompt signup is to qualify a producer for the wheat program's price-support loans and for diversion and certificate payments — the signup is the first step for participating in the 1965 wheat program.

Wheat growers who sign up this fall for participate in the 1965 wheat program will be able to change their diversion or overplanting intentions any time before the close of the feed grain signups next spring.

PRODUCERS WHO ARE UNDECIDED URGED TO SIGN UP:

Wheat growers, who are undecided as to the wheat acreage to be seeded this fall or the feed grain next spring, are urged to sign up before October 2. There is nothing to lose and everything to gain.

Weather conditions could prevent the sowing of wheat this fall, and if the producer has signed up for the wheat program, he could plant that much more corn and still be eligible for payments.

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1. A 3-year staggered term of office will be established by county committeemen instead of the existing 1-year term; 2. Service as a county committeeman will be limited to three consecutive terms (previously there has been no limitation as to the number of terms a committeeman could serve); and 3. All community committeemen will elect the county committeemen at the county convention (previously only the chairman of the community committee have elected the county committee).

The staggered-term system for county committeemen will be initiated at the first county convention in 1965. At that time, the community committeemen will elect one member for a 1-year term, one member for a 2-year term, and the third member for a 3-year term. Thereafter, each member of a county committee will be elected for a term of 3 years.

These changes are designed to give more continuity and stability to operating policies in ASCS county offices and to improve administration of farm programs by local committees. They are part of a continuing process to make more effective use of farmer-communities in local administration of programs, to increase their importance and status, and to attract outstanding farm leaders to serve in these positions.

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3. GRAZING OR HARVESTING HAY FROM DIVERTED ACREAGE:

Producers who have read about harvesting or grazing diverted acreages under the 1964 wheat and feed grain programs are warned that this is not permitted unless an approval is received from the county committee — and the letter mailed to participants this week is not an approval — this should be read very carefully.

Planting wheat on oats-rye or other feed grain acreage will not reduce or increase — the wheat certificates issued for a farm.

If the producer wishes to use the oats-rye option, he requests — at the time of sign-up — that a separate oats-rye base acreage be established for his farm. If he requests but does not use the oats-rye substitution, eligibility for program benefits will be determined as if the oats-rye option has not been requested.

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Before using diverted acreage for any purpose, the producer must call at the county office and request an appraisal for his acreage. After the county committee has established the rate he will be charged per acre for the use of the diverted acreage, he will be notified and must pay the required amount before approval is granted.

To avoid delay, we suggest that any producer interested should contact the county office as soon as possible.

4. GOVERNMENT GRAIN STORAGE BINS FOR SALE:

The Commodity Credit Corporation is again offering grain storage bins for sale, this time in southeastern Indiana.

Twenty four bins will be sold at auction Tuesday September 29, beginning at 10 a.m., at the grain storage site at Fairland.

The structures are 3,250 bushel capacity — the same size as the bins at the Adams county site.

Producers interested in financing under the farm storage facility loan program should contact their local ASCS office to determine their eligibility for financing.

5. THREAD OF LIFE

For the U.S. astronaut who is first to step out of his spacecraft into the astral void, his only contact with life will be a special life support system. It consists of a unique connecting "umbilical" cord which acts as a tether line and carries oxygen for breathing, pressurization and ventilation, along with electrical cords for communication. Artist's conception shows system in action aboard a two-man Gemini System was developed by Garrett-AirResearch of Los Angeles.

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Farmers' Corner

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Thursday and elected the following farmers to serve as the agricultural conservation and conservation county committee for the following year: Richard J. Moser, Jefferson township, chairman; James Garboden, Hartford township, vice chairman; Richard Martin, Washington township, regular member; Herman Franz, Jr., Root township, first alternate, and Loren Kruetzman, Preble township, as second alternate.

ASC county and community farmer-communities are in charge of local administration of such national farm programs as the agricultural conservation program (ACP), the feed grain program, the voluntary wheat program, acreage allotments and marketing quotas, the national wool program, the sugar program, commodity loans, and farm storage facility loans.

Wheat growers who sign up this fall for participate in the 1965 wheat program will be able to change their diversion or overplanting intentions any time before the close of the feed grain signups next spring.

Helping usher the oral "Thank You" to the numerous persons responsible for the 4-H program, will be the approximately 1,000 members from Adams county.

The Adams county 4-Hers will join some 2,125,000 4-Hers throughout the United States in saluting contributors to their program.

The 4-H program in Indiana began more than 50 years ago under the guidance of one adult leader at Purdue University, and has now grown to a program requiring 13 state leaders at Purdue, one or more extension agents in each county, and nearly 8,000 adult leaders throughout the state.

Currently, the 4-H program is being administered by those persons for over 94,000 club members throughout Indiana. The 4-H leaders coordinate programs for members ranging from home economies to agriculture to woodworking to electronics.

One of the major changes in the 4-H program since its beginning is the percentage of rural and non-rural members. When the program was in its infancy, much of the population of the United States was rural, thus making the program basically a rural or farm program. With the nearly wholesale migration of rural citizens to the cities, the 4-H club

is now primarily a rural or non-rural program.

As the aerial mishaps occurred at scattered places, the Vietnamese Defense Ministry reported one government victory and two losses in the ground war.

On the political front, unrest continued in Saigon, where rumors of fresh plots against the regime of Premier Nguyen Khanh mounted.

A U.S. military spokesman said veteran Vietnamese rangers killed 50 Viet Cong on Sunday in the swamps of Go Cong Province just south of Saigon. No casualties were reported on the government side.

But government forces suffered defeat in a smaller battle the same day in Kieng Giang Province, 125 miles southwest of Saigon in the Communist-infiltrated Mekong Delta. The American spokesman said 21 troops were killed in an ambush and 56 wounded.

Government troops were

reoccupied Bon Sar Pa, 150 miles northeast of Saigon. U.S.-trained mountain tribesmen had mutinied there for eight days, but finally released 13 U.S. advisers and 60 Vietnamese hostages.

One Vietnamese Defense Ministry spokesman reported Monday that government troops killed 319 Communists in the week ending last Saturday, and lost 181 killed in return. This was a sharp increase in the crucial "kill ratio" which serves as one indicator of how the war is going.