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STRAWBERRY CROP APPEARS GOOD.

Season Gives Promise of Yielding Considerable Returns to the Growers

The strawberry crop of the Eastern Shore gives promise of yielding con- this year. The first shipments will be from Olney, Va., in about three weeks and Marion, Md., will begin shipping shortly afterward. Then will come the fruit from Kent and Queen Annes and the country about Selbyville, so that by the middle of May the berries will be going up the peninsula in solid trains of refrigerator cars and almost endless lines of motor trucks.

It is impossible to make even a guess of the expected output or to tell what went to market last year. More and more the motor trucks made inroads on the railroad traffic until at the end of the season nearly all the shipments were made by auto. It is estimated by John A. Price, a shipper of this city, that 3,000 carloads were shipped from the Shore in 1925 and probably 1,000 carloads were sent to market in trucks.

There will be more and better berries this year unless weather conditions grow much worse. In some sections the acreage will be less, but generally it will be the same as in 1925. This year it is expected the shipping season will continue through seven or eight weeks. Last year it began May 25 and ended by June 10.

To handle the immense crop anticipated, arrangements are now being made to use trucks inshipments to smaller cities of New Jersey and Pennsylvania, eliminating the New York and Philadelphia commissions of 50 cents a crate. Princeton is cited as an example. Berries picked one day will be on sale in that city at the opening of stores the next morning, New York prices will be charged, the growers will get the commissions, the consumer will get fresh fruit, less the middleman's profit.

Other trucks will carry berries to middle Pennsylvania towns and another line will take selected fruit as far North as Boston. In every way possible the growers intend handling the crop this year so that the earnings will not be distributed among non producers.

Indications are that North Carolina berries will come on the market about the same time as the Eastern Shore crop. With the four days required to transport the fruit from the South, there is little fear that it will be a competitor with the Del-Mar-Va product.

A MINUTE A DAY MAKES MILKING PAY

One more minute per cow per day spent in weighing out the feed consumed and milk produced by each animal, would show the dairyman which of his cows are really working for him and which are loafing on the job, according to the Larrowe Institute of Animal Economics. Thirty-one seconds per milking is all the time the farmer needs to keep tab on the performance of each of the cows in his herd.

"The majority of dairymen who do not keep records of the feed consumption or milk production of the cows, are working under the delusion that the keeping of such records would take up more time than they could well afford to spare," according to the Institute. "They are wrong. Actual timing under practical conditions conducted by the Institute, shows that it takes only eleven seconds more per cow for each of two feedings to weigh out the exact feed, than it takes where the feed is not weighed. To weigh and record the milk from each cow was found to take only twenty seconds more per milking than it takes to just dump the milk over the cooler, or forty seconds for the two milkings. In all, no more than sixty-two seconds, or about a minute, is required to have a complete record of each cow's feed consumption and milk production. If that extra minute devoted to keeping records for say twenty cows, should reveal that one of them was a typical waster-incapable of producing milk in profitable quantities the dairyman would not only be saved the countless hours devoted to its feeding and care, but he would find that he was better off at the end of the year with the remaining nineteen cows than he was with the original twenty.

"Roughly speaking, there are only three distinct types of cows. The Susies, who are good lookers, but simply haven't the capacity when it comes to the milk pail. All feeds they get above the amount required to produce their limited quantities of milk and keep them in condition, are wasted. The Betties are the thin, emaciated creatures who look as though they were ready to lie down and quit, but which have an inherited ability to produce milk that will often lead them to take it right off their own backs. Generally these are sadly underfed, so that they are using only a portion of their capacity. Then there are the Dollies—the army of waster cows that simply can't produce milk profitably. They eat and eat and their owners have neither beef nor milk to show for it. They are overdue at the butcher's. Such cows are in every herd where the dairyman does not feed in accordance with milk capacity and production. Keeping feed and milk records will show the dairyman how to profit from the Susies, cash in fully on the Betties, and how to avoid losses on the Dollies.

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