

# Over 500 Awards Won By Welch's On Their Hogs

Mother Makes Blankets of  
Awards, As Father & Son  
Bring Home So Many!



WALLY, PRIZE SOW, "RIBBON BLANKET"  
Great Grandpa Started Something

LETCHER, S. D.—Blanket in photo above contains 292 show ribbons—only part of hundreds won by Welch family on their hogs! Took 23 Firsts, 2 Grands, 1 Reserve Championship at 1949 Sioux Empire and S. Dakota fairs.

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Family's first show was in 1920, when father exhibited South Dakota's first registered spotted Poland China. Welch "spots" have shown every year since, except 1933. Son Wallace now runs farm. It keeps Wally humping! No wonder he eats Wheaties four days a week! Likes 'em with peaches and cream. Delicious combination!



## FAMILY PIONEERED LAND

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wheatgrass sod in comparison with continuous cropping. We won't do things that way in Montana. Crested wheatgrass sod is always plowed in the spring and fallowed for a season before being planted.

On this type of tillage not only is a good crop of wheat produced, but the top growth and root system of the crested wheatgrass plant is worked into the soil, furnishing much needed humus, which not only helps to hold the soil in place but helps replace the reduced nitrogen content.

If crested wheatgrass is a soil robber and a problem child, we're in favor of that kind of crime and child delinquency.

### CLIP ALFALFA EARLY

The age-old question of when to clip alfalfa to produce a crop of seed on the second crop was pretty clearly demonstrated in 1949.

It requires just so much time for the alfalfa plant to produce a second crop, to bloom, set and to develop the seed and mature. The maturing factor varies with the moisture available for plant use and the heat units affecting the plant.

Briefly, in Montana, if the first crop is clipped after June 10, the second crop for seed is flirting with disaster from frost or a freeze before it is mature. Result—dark seed, green seed, small seed, heavy dockage, low germination, less value per pound.

This year on Sept. 13—four days before the average date of the first killing frost—the temperature dipped to less than 20 degrees above zero over most of the alfalfa seed area. It smacked immature seed real hard.

### Beat Early Frost

There were a couple of Ranger alfalfa seed growers in the area hit the hardest who had large crops in sight. One of them had his first crop clipped—removed and the second crop under way by June 10. He had all his seed crop cut and well matured before the chilly blast hit. The other grower got his first crop off around July 4, and it got smacked good and hard.

Results—there isn't much use of repeating them because they are rather sad. The first grower was in the clear with plump seed with beautiful color. The other lot is a mixture of plump and shriveled seed and a horrible color. You know what it looks like and how easy it is to sell, so let's not talk about it.

### REGISTERED SMALL GRAIN

With the limited acreage of registered small grain that passed inspection in 1949, it is important that these lots be cleaned and a representative sample taken as soon as possible so equitable distribution can be made on this supply.

Registered small grain producers should note the change in the rules and regulations to begin with the 1949 crop. The main changes are:

1. After the seed has been cleaned, a one-peck sample should be drawn by a representative of the Montana Seed Growers Assn. The grower should request that this sample be taken. The grade will be established on this sample.
2. All seed must be sacked in clean bags and the bags sealed by a representative of the Montana Seed Growers Assn. No tags will be issued direct to growers. Tags are issued on receipt of payment of 10 cents a tag.
3. Any seed eligible for registration sold in bulk will not be eligible for further registration.



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