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Hay Day, Rosemount, June 9 -- One of the largest "circuses" of newly-developed hay-making and processing implements will "perform" for audiences at the University of Minnesota's Rosemount agricultural experiment station 15 miles south of the Twin Cities. The day is Wednesday, June 9 -- "Hay Day". Things get rolling at 10 a.m. There'll also be talks on forage and hay making.

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Farm Plan Includes Wild Life -- Kermit Maidment, a progressive young Pennington county farmer, made up his mind he was going to have wild game on his farm. With the help of SCS Farm Planner Don Lawrence, he is developing a complete farm plan which includes two areas for wildlife. One is a six-acre low, wet area to be a duck breeding ground. The other is a stony 17 acres that Maidment plans as a food and cover patch for upland birds. Maidment and E. H. Pomeranke, the farm's owner, say there always have been sharptail grouse in the area and feed and cover will help the birds find it pleasant enough to stay.

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Use Fences Wisely in Forage Plan -- Wise and careful fence use is important in planning rotation pasture fields, says Rodney A. Briggs, University of Minnesota extension agronomist. He says it's wise to follow the contour of the land. Cattle will make a path along any fence and if it runs up and down a hill, their hooves can dig ruts that erode and develop into deep gullies.

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Minnesotans Out for 1956 National Convention -- Minnesotans attending the national convention of soil conservation districts in New Orleans recently took some advertising along--they want the 1956 convention in Minnesota. Theodore O. Hegseth reports that the group had a 30 by 16 inch banner in the lobby of the Jung Hotel. Its wording--"See You in Minnesota in 1956."