

OTHER VARIETY NEWS

Barley: *Caribou*, a new spring feed barley for the drylands of southern Idaho, has been released to certified seed growers by the USDA and the Idaho Agricultural Experiment Station. *Caribou* is a two-rowed, early-maturing, white-kernelled barley that has good straw strength, test weight, and ker-

nel weight under dryland conditions. Field test yields averaged 1.7 to 6.3 percent greater than *Piroline* and *Munsing*, its parents. Seed can be obtained from the Idaho Agricultural Experiment Station.

CARIBOU--is a spring-type barley, jointly released by the University of Idaho Agricultural Experiment Station and the Plant Science Research Division, A.R.S., U.S.D.A. cooperating.

It is a 2-row feed-type barley that is early maturing and adapted to dryland. *Caribou* has large, plump, uniform, white kernels. It has lax spikes (heads) with smooth to semi-smooth awns and short rachilla hairs. The hull is semi-wrinkled to wrinkled. It has good straw strength, test weight and kernel weight under dryland conditions, according to Idaho research personnel.