Pa. June Egg Output Down 2%

Penna egg production dropped off nine per cent from May and two per cent below June, 1958 Total output of

Average number of layers on farms for the month was in the South Atlantic; five per cent less than the June, 1938 flock.

Production for the first six months of this year totals 1,889 million eggs, or four per cent above production for the same period of last year.

Price-ratios for state poultrymen dropped in three cases and held steady only on the egg-feed ratio at 7.7 (lbs. of ration that can be brought by one dozen eggs).

The chicken-feed ratio (lb. of chicken worth lbs. of feed) was 3.9, down from 4.-0 Turkey-feed - 77 down from 79 in May. Broilerfeed - 3.9, down from 40 in May and 47 in June, 1958.

While holding steady with May, June's 7-7 egg-feed ratio was well below the June. 1958 ratio of 106.

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Farm flocks Jaid 5,132 million eggs during June, two per cent more than in June, 1958 All regions except the North Atlantic and West North Central showed increases over last year.

Increases were 12 per cent

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15 8 million, a three percent per cent in the South Cer. culture predicts. decline from May, and two tral; three per cent in the West; and two per cent in Crop Reporting Service, the planting time and harvest states.

West North Central regions recorded a four per cent and a one per cent decrease respectively.

to June was up five per cent from last year.

Eggs-per-layer were at a with 17.9 of June, 1958.

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were up eight per cent from per cent. 1958 in the South Atlantic

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Led by a 19 per cent decline in expected corn producthe state's laying hens for the month was 288 million eggs. tion, most of Pennsylvania's important field crops will show below last 3 cal's the state's laying hens for the month was 288 million eggs. a decrease from last year, the State Department of Agri-

> East North Central Department said that yields started July 15 in some in general are below last southern counties. The North Atlantic and sear's while total harvested acreage is expected to be down about one per cent.

fruit crops grown in the is 48 million bushels. Total egg production Jan. Keystone State, only oats, with a three per cent increase; tobacco, up five per late summer-and fall potaties. cent; and apples, 17 per cent record 18.2 high, compared above last year, are forecast for both and yields are foreto have increased production.

Barley production is off creased their rate by four one-half to lead all declines per cent. Rate of lay per while rye is down 29 per layer the first six months of cent; wheat, 16 per cent; late 1959 was 108, compared with summer potatoes, 12 percent; clover-timothy hay, two per On July 1, layer numbers cent, and alfalfa hay, one

> Acreage planted to corn is one per cent greater than last year, but a sharply reduced yield from last year's record is expected to lead to a 67 million bushel crop, 19 per cent below last year

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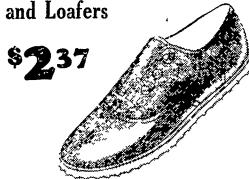
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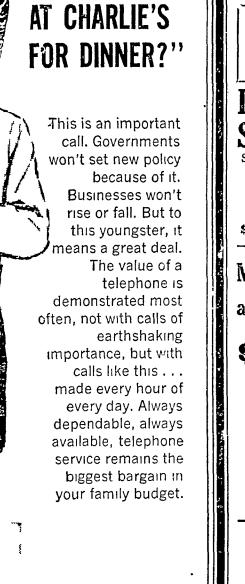


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