

State Mushroom Is Finest Known

Recent Mushroom Industry Short Course at the Pennsylvania State University heralded the completion of the new \$63,000 mushroom research center.

R. Kneebone, director of the mushroom research program, reported the new plant has the most precise control over environmental conditions of any mushroom house in the world.

This is appropriate, he added, since state growers produce more than half of the nation's mushrooms.

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Nation's Wool Yield Moving Ever Higher

Shorn wool production has begun to move upward after several years of decline, although it is still about 20 per cent below the 300-million-pound annual production goal provided under the national wool program, Chairman Earl L. Groff, Strasburg of the Pennsylvania Stabilization and Conservation Committee said today in commenting on progress under the program to date.

Severe drought in many major sheep-producing areas held production back during

the early years of the program, Mr. Groff said, but the 1958 clip is estimated at 241 million pounds, the highest since 1947.

The 1959 clip is expected to be still larger.

Number of stock sheep and lambs on farms and ranches on January 1, 1959 were up four per cent from a year earlier and were the largest since 1948. Ewe lambs were up eight per cent.

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Farm Calendar

July 28—7 30 p.m., Manor 4-H, Stehman's Church.

July 28—4-H Field Day Rain Date.

July 29—9 00 a.m., Lancaster County Poultry Tour to York County, assemble at Gladfelter Paper Co. in Spring Grove (southwest of York on Routes 30 and 116).

July 30—Holstein Breeder's Field Day, 10 a.m., Henry Kettering farm, Lititz.

August 4—County 4-H Council picnic, 7 p.m.

Higher Profits Shown by Meat Packers in '58

In 1958, the American meat packing industry established a new record of \$13,205 million in sales (wholesale value), an increase of eight per cent over 1957.

Industry-wide profits increased to \$82 million, four per cent above the 1957 total of \$79 million. These figures were reported in the 1958 edition of "Financial Facts About the Meat Packing Industry," published by the American Meat Institute.

The amount paid by the industry for livestock and other raw materials increased from \$3,890 million in '57, to \$9,850 million in '58.

The report claims increased profits reported by the industry resulted from reductions in operating expenses which included such items as wages and salaries, supplies and containers, transportation and interest charges. Charges for taxes and depreciation were slightly higher in 1958 than in 1957.

The annual report showed that the net worth of the meat packing industry in '58 was estimated at \$1,500 million, up five per cent from 1957 and 20 per cent more than the 1947-58 average.

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Source: U.S. Dept. of Health Public Health Service Publication No. 24 Individual Water Supply Systems"

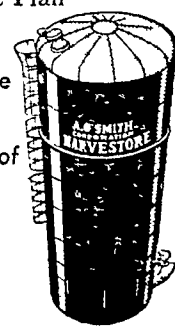
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