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Beaver County Now on List as Brucellosis Free

HARRISBURG — Addition of Beaver County to the State's honor roll of certified brucellosis-free areas was announced today by Dr. William L. Henning, State Secretary of Agriculture.

The State now has 32 entire counties certified in the campaign to wipe out bovine brucellosis, also known as Bang's disease of cattle, he said.

Beaver is the fifth county to win certification from both the Federal and State Bureaus of Animal Industry this year. Others are Pike, Washington, Westmoreland and Fulton.

Northumberland Next

Testing for the possible presence of brucellosis in cattle has been completed in Northumberland County and certification status may be expected soon for that area, the agriculture chief declared.

Current aim of the State Bureau of Animal Industry is to have every county certified as disease-free within the next few years.

Collections and testing of samples of milk from every cattle herd in Fayette County has just been completed and blood testing of animals in each suspected herd is now underway.

Percentage Extremely Low

In Beaver County only 16 per cent of the 1,178 herds of cattle showed brucellosis infection in the latest tests. Dr. Henning was especially pleased with the extremely low percentage of infected cattle in that county — 39/100 of 1 per cent.

In addition at 32 counties that are officially certified as brucellosis-free, testing has been com-

pleted in 12 others and partial testing has been made in 19 counties.

More than 86 per cent of all dairy and beef cattle in Pennsylvania are now under some form of brucellosis testing. All but four counties — Delaware, Northampton, Montgomery and

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ORANGE, Va. — When Airman 1-C John W. Thompson became a prisoner of the Red Chinese, Carol Reynolds, whom he knew

but had never dated, wrote him a letter. This started an exchange of letters between them. A month after Thompson, released by the Reds, came home, there were wedding bells for Carol and John.

Philadelphia — have some area testing underway.



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