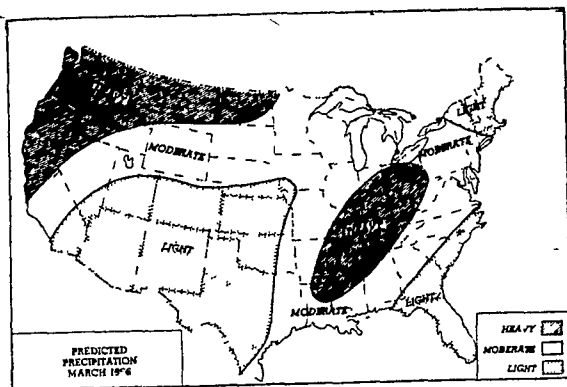
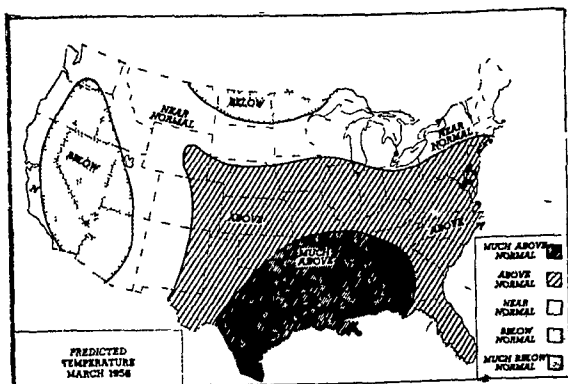


### Outlook for March 1956



The Weather Bureau's 30-day outlook for March calls for temperatures to average below normal west of the Continental Divide and near normal in the northern Border States. In the remainder of the nation above normal temperatures are indicated, with greatest departures in the Lower Mississippi Valley.

Precipitation is expected to be subnormal in the Southwest, Southern Plains, South Atlantic States, and New England. Greater than normal amounts are predicted for the Ohio and Mississippi Valleys and the Pacific Northwest, with near normal elsewhere.

### Trichinosis in Two Areas Under Close Watching

Twenty-six reported cases of trichinosis in Pennsylvania — with 23 in Lebanon County — has placed the State Health Department at Harrisburg on an alert, and close surveillance is being made on the Lancaster-Lebanon County area.

Three cases were reported in the Lititz area, but no new cases have been reported in Lancaster County for several weeks.

Dr. Berwyn F. Mattison, state secretary of health, warns "Trichinosis is an unnecessary and easily-prevented illness traceable to eating raw or insufficiently

### AWARDS ROAD CONTRACTS

HARRISBURG — Secretary of Highways Joseph J. Lawler has awarded two road contracts amounting to \$202,191 that include Chester County — U. S. Route 1 in West Nottingham Township Construct 0.40 of a mile of reinforced concrete pavement variable 25 to 45 feet wide from the Pennsylvania-Maryland State Line, north, to Edward A. Daylor Co., Inc., Box 551, Coatesville, Pa. \$99,324.15. cooked pork products"

Laboratory facilities and investigate services of the Bureau of Public Health have been opened to local county health officials and all physicians in investigating cases

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### Eastern States Purchases Hit \$80 Millions

Farmers in nine northeastern states purchased more than \$80 million worth of supplies through their Eastern States Farmer's Exchange in 1955, more than 1000 members learned here as they attended the 38th annual meeting of their cooperative at the High School of Commerce in West Springfield Mass. The exact 1955 figure was \$80,428,260.

Total net savings for 1955 were \$3,309,842. Of this sum, some \$2,309,842 will be returned to members starting May 1 in proportion to their purchases through the cooperative in 1955. This patronage refund represents what was left over from 1955 receipts after paying for all goods and services and providing for capital needs.

#### Significant Gains

General Manager William D. Milsop reported significant gains in nearly all lines of commodities. His report indicated that feed volume was down slightly which tends to reflect the drop of farm income over the past year. Eastern States deals strictly in cash and, for many farmers, cash has been a scarce item for several years. In addition, many northeastern farmers are finding ways to produce more feed on their land in order to raise livestock with the greatest possible economy.

Some 100,000 farm families are now members of Eastern States Farmers' Exchange. They purchase a wide variety of farm commodities including feed, seed, fertilizer, sprays and dusts and farm supplies amounts to more farm supplies amount to more than a tramload a day.

#### Many Present From Here

Eastern States farmer members, through their cooperative, own two of the largest feed mills in the world, two farm supply and spray-dust distribution plants, as well as four fertilizer plants and 90 warehouses located strategically throughout the Northeast.

Farmers attending from Lancaster and Lebanon Counties were: Mahlon Martin, Ephrata; Norman Krady, and John Melhorn, Mount Joy; Amos Whisler and Samuel Keener, Elizabethtown; Stanley Greiner, Manheim; John Becker, Lititz; Evan Dinger and John Wenger, Denver; Harry Fertig, Richland; Alvin Weaver and Harvey Miller, Jonestown; John Oberholtzer, Myers-town; Ralph Sellers, Annville; Frank Book, and John Martin, Bareville; Clayton Charles and Robert Barr, Washington Boro; Edward McMichael and Wilson Scott, Willow Street; Melvin Hess, Charles Hess, Walter Shank, Earl Groff and Harold Mengel, Lancaster; Benjamin Lapp and Maurice Good, Gordonville; Ruben Beiler, Strasburg; Naaman King, Atglen; Steve Kurtz, Paul Hartz, Eli Kauffman of Elverson; Claude Herr, Paul Howard, LaVerne Pownall, Quarryville; Director Snavelly Garber, Willow Street, and Director Wilbur Erb, Hummelstown.

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