



EVER WONDER WHAT a mountain of meat looks like? Pictured in the chart above is the meat production-consumption profile for almost half a century. This year's meat, at about 27½ billion pounds, will be almost exactly double the volume in 1910. Production sort of loafed along in the foothills until 1941, then wartime demand sent tonnage of meat soaring. Note how production, which usually is somewhat higher than domestic consumption,

in World War I and II moved very much higher as the nation strained to supply its forces and allies overseas. Only in 1935 and 1937 did consumption exceed production. This was possible because of imports and dipping into some storage stocks. The meat represented by the gap between production and domestic consumption goes into export channels and storage. Much meat in so-called storage at any time actually is being processed for consumption.

Countries are well cultivated, Some act first, think afterward, not as they are fertile, but as and then repent forever. — Simthey are free. — Montesquieu, mons.

### Maryland Fair's Best Herefords From Own State

Timonium, Md. (Special) — Hereford breeders from Maryland and Virginia dominated the Diamond Jubilee show of the Maryland State Fair in Timonium.

John H. Royer, Jr. Glenwood, Md showed his senior yearling, BPF Pawnee Domino 5 to the grand championship honors in the Hereford bull show. Hayfields Farm, Cockeysville, Md., won reserve champion honors on their senior calf, Battle Boecalde.

In the female division SHH Super Lady 13, a senior calf, shown by Still House Hollow Farm, Hume, Va, was named champion. The reserve champion was shown by Hayfields Farm She was Miss Real Dandy, a two-year-old.

#### Bulls

Class winners follow: Two-year-old bull: Raincliffe Farms, Sykesville, Md. on RF Super Alpine 5, Senior yearling bull: John H. Royer, Jr on BPF Pawnee Domino 5, Junior yearling bull: John H. Royer, Jr. on BPF Pawnee President 2; Summer yearling bull: Hayfields Farm on Jim Dandy, Senior bull calf: Hayfields Farm on Battle Boecalde; Junior bull calf: Springvalley Hereford Farm, Poolesville, Md. on SV Choice Mischief, Three bulls: John H. Royer, Jr., and Two bulls: Hayfields Farm.

#### Females

Two-year-old heifer: Hayfields Farm on Miss Real Dandy; Senior yearling heifer: Raincliffe Farm on RF Regina Alpina 6, Junior yearling heifer: Raincliffe Farm on RF Super Alpina 10; Summer yearling heifer: Still House Hollow Farm on SHH Super Lady; Senior heifer calf: Still House Hollow Farm on SHH Super Lady 13; Junior heifer calf: Still House Hollow Farm on SHH Zato Duchess 4; Two females: Still House Hollow Farm; Get of sire: Raincliffe Farm on get of Alpine Mischief H; Pair of yearlings: Rose Hill Farm, Cecilton, Md., and Pair of calves: Hayfields Farm.

### Farm Credit Groups Increase Volume In '56

Both the Lancaster Production Credit Assn and the National Farm Loan Assn. of Lancaster increased their volume of business during 1956 despite the "tight money" situation, members were told at the annual Farm Credit meeting Friday.

More than 400 members and their families attended the program at South Lebanon High School at Iona, starting with a luncheon served by the Lebanon County Society of Farm Women.

Total assets were reported at \$2,763,647 for the PCA while the NFLA listed its total worth at \$171,498.90. Income figures were up for both cooperatives — to \$125,835 from \$114,483 for the PCA and to \$25,975 from \$23,634 for the NFLA.

The net income of the NFLA also showed a gain from \$5,878 last year to \$6,511 for the current fiscal year.

The tight money conditions had their effect on PCA net income, however, causing a sharp decline from \$16,089 a year ago to \$8,440.

Officials pointed out that interest expenses, reflecting the higher interest rates necessary to make bond issues attractive to buyers, were responsible, rising from \$38,828 in 1955 to \$61,623 this year.

"The important thing is that these financial reports show that we are serving our purpose in continuing to supply credit to farmers by maintaining — even increasing our volume of business," Lee R. Brobst, assistant secretary-treasurer PCA-NFLA for the Lancaster office, said.

Three directors re-elected during the business session were G. G. Minnich, Lititz, as Lancaster County director of the PCA; John H. Gibble, Myerstown, Lebanon County director of the PCA; and Ira M. Krall, Myerstown R2, Lebanon County director of the NFLA.

W. Harry Shaeffer Jr, assistant county agent of Lebanon County, greeted the farm members at the meeting, which was shifted from Lancaster County to Lebanon County this year.

Two Lebanon County 4-H Club members — Lorraine Eshelman and Elwood Houser — delivered a report on cooperative youth activities.

Principal speaker was the Rev. Paul Kehm, pastor of St Paul's Evangelical and Reformed

Church, Fleetwood, who delivered his humorous address despite the illness of his twin brother who usually is part of the performance.

Carl B. Thomas, PCA secretary-treasurer of the Lancaster office, was cited for his 20 years of service with the credit organization by Minnich, who has been a director for the same length of time.

Among guests present were: Hugh S Mackey, Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Baltimore; George M. Meyers, Pa. Farm Bureau; Laverne Pownall, Eastern States Farmers Exchange; Mark Shuman, State ASC Committee; Noah Huber, Producers' Livestock, Wayne B. Rentschler and Charles Wolgemuth, Lancaster County Farm Bureau; Enos Heisey, Lebanon County Farm Bureau; A. S. Frommeyer, Dauphin County Agent



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