

Broilers

PHILADELPHIA, Feb 20 — Unsettled. Demand good for top quality caponettes and fryers but only fair for other classes. More than adequate supplies were available. Cross pullets brought 30 cents without clearing. White Rocks 35-36 cents. Large White Rock Caponettes 30-34 cents. Stags 15 cents. Cross fryers 23 cents, caponettes 24½-25 cents. Few lots 26 cents. Mixed 19-20 cents. White Rock 23½-23¾ cents. Vantress Reds 22-23 cents, few lots 25 cents without clearing.

Hyline broilers under 3 lb. size 22-23 cents without clearing. Turkeys unsettled. Demand light for more than ample supplies, few lots bronze young hens 32-33 cents, young toms 24-26 cents, single breasted 15 cents without clearing. White Holland young toms were unsold.

Total receipts Feb 19, 96,000 lbs. included Maryland 9,000 lbs., Delaware 17,000 lbs.

Wholesale selling prices No. 1 and fancy quality Broilers or fryers heavy type under 3 lbs. 22-23, 3-4 lb. 19-26. Pullets 4½ lb. and over 35-36. Hens heavy type 20-25. Light type 10-17 Old roosters 11.

Ducks Muscovy 16-25. Turkeys young hens 32-33, young toms 15-26.

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Hereford Groups

Agree on Change Of Pedigrees

BANNER, Wyo. — The American Hereford Assn. has approved a request from the National Western Polled Hereford Assn. for a three generation pedigree on the face of a registration certificate.

D. O. Geier, president of the National Western, also announced that the American Hereford Assn. approved a request from the National Western to sponsor one national polled show each year and continue sponsorship of the National Western sale in conjunction with the Denver stock show.

Geier said that "we are firm in our convictions that polled Herefords should not be considered as a separate breed of cattle but as a hornless strain of Herefords, possessed of the same bloodlines and characteristics that have made Herefords the greatest breed of beef cattle on earth."

He added that "simplification of the processes of registration transfer and promotion of polled Herefords is desired by the vast majority of breeders throughout the United States and that such simplification is positively necessary to the satisfactory growth of our business."

Farm Calendar

Today

Egg quality conference at Pennsylvania State University, University Park

Monday

Red Rose DHIA Directors meeting — 8 p.m. at Lancaster Post Office.

4-H Farm and Home Electric Club meeting — 7:30 p.m., Geist Building, Lancaster.

ASC Community meeting on 1957 ACP program and the acreage reserve program on corn — 7:30 p.m. at the Messick Chevrolet Co., Ephrata.

Tuesday

Southern 4-H Tractor Club meeting — 7:30 p.m., Herr Bros Implement Co., Wakefield.

Tri-county dairy meeting — 7:30 p.m. at Morgantown High School

Dexter Putnam and Monroe Armes will discuss feeding and management and labor saving devices James Halderon, Reading, Robert Powers, West Chester, and Max M. Smith, Lancaster, will give a panel discussion on "Quality Roughages"

Farm and Home Planning Conference, Assembly room, Lancaster County National Bank, North Queen Street, Lancaster.

International Harvester meeting at Kauffman Bros, Mountville.

Tuesday and Wednesday

Poultry Housing and Equipment Conference at Pennsylvania State University, University Park.

Wednesday

Dairy Day — 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Guernsey Breeders Sales Pavilion, Highway 30 East. Speeches by Penn State and industry specialists, educational display on making more high quality roughage and luncheon at noon.

Eastern 4-H Tractor Club meeting — 7:30 p.m., Groff Implement Co., New Holland.

Wednesday and Thursday

International Harvester meeting at C. B. Hooper's, Intercourse.

Saturday, March 2

International Harvester meeting at J. Paul Nolt's, Gap.

Thursday

Western 4-H Tractor Club meeting — 7:30 p.m., Farm Bureau, Dillerville Road, Lancaster.

4-H Holstein Club — 7:30 p.m., Farm Bureau, Dillerville Road, Lancaster.

Annual meeting of the Lancaster County Soil Conservation District — 7:30 p.m. at Manheim Central High School. Speaker is Dr. Ralph W. Schlosser, Elizabethtown College.

Friday, March 1

Annual 4-H leaders banquet — 6:30 p.m. at Bethany Presbyterian Church, West End Avenue, Lancaster.

1957 Fruit and vegetable spray program — 9:30 a.m. at Art's Diner, south of Manheim on Route 72.

Fruit growers meeting — 1:30 p.m. at Farm Bureau, Dillerville Road, Lancaster. Dr. R. S. Kirby, J. O. Pepper and J. O. Duff, all of Penn State, will discuss intercropping of vegetables in orchards.

Monday, March 11

John Deere Day at H. S. Newcomer & Son, Mt. Joy.

York County Guernsey Completes HIR Record

PETERBOROUGH, N. H. — A registered Guernsey cow, Highland Chiefs Dusty, owned by J. Thomas Carman, Glenn Rock, Pa., has completed an official production record in the Herd Improvement Registry division of the American Guernsey Cattle Club.

This record was for 12,128 pounds of milk and 564 pounds of fat.

"Dusty" was a five year-old, and was milked two times daily for 305 days while on test.

This official production record was supervised by Pennsylvania State University.

Picker-Sheller Corn Harvesting Poses Grain Drying Problems

Corn picker-sheller harvesting, in the offing on Pennsylvania farms, emphasizes the need for grain drying facilities. Small grains, now universally combine harvested, present problems, but corn is even more difficult to dry, E. F. Oliver and W. L. Kjelgaard, agricultural engineers at the Pennsylvania agricultural experiment station have found.

Warm air must be circulated freely through shelled corn in order to dry at harvest time, they observed. Outside air forced through newly-combined small grains was found adequate to dry them, but the air usually is warmer and drier in summer when combining is done than when corn is picker-shelled.

In one test shelled corn containing nearly 30 per cent moisture covered warm air ducts spaced four feet apart to a depth of six feet. At the end of two weeks the grain over the ducts dried to a moisture content of 10 per cent while that between the ducts went down only to 25 per cent. Drying also was poor in the corners, at the ends, and on the bottom of the bin. To improve the results, the researchers had to move the corn about and stir it with a portable electric grain augur.

Bits of trash, leaves, silks and soil often accumulate in shelled

corn and stop the free flow of air in the drier. Areas of poorly dried and moldy corn result. Materials of this kind may be blown out of the grain as it goes into storage with a barn ventilator fan located at the top of the elevator outside the building, Oliver and Kjelgaard found.

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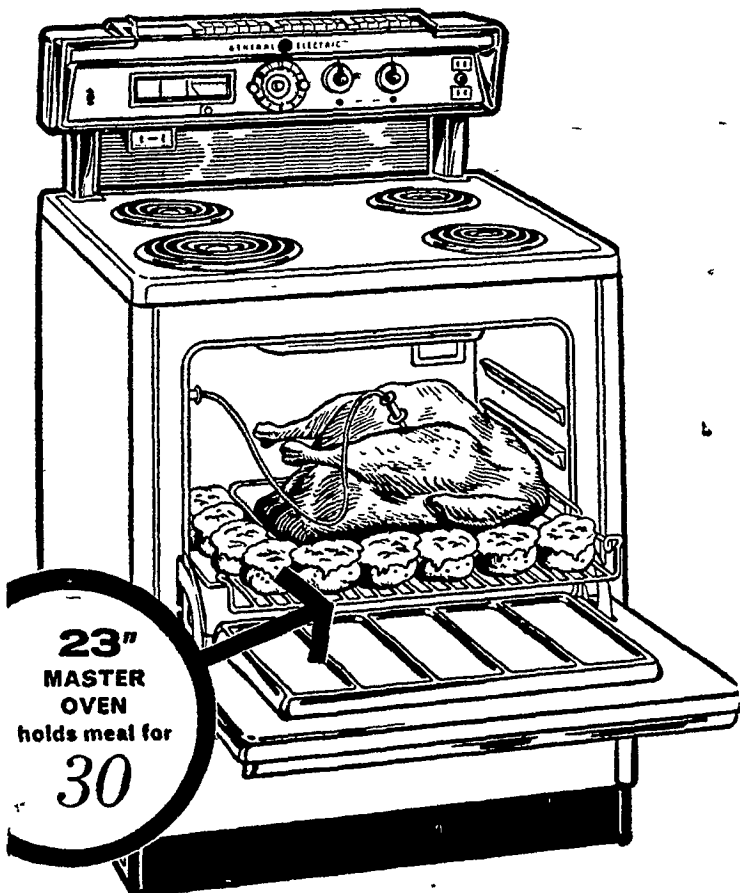
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