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# Indian River Buys Shenk Hatchery **Breeding Stock**

LANCASTER — Indian River Harrisburg which would redu Poultry Farm, Inc., has acquired the license fee on farm trucks. the breeding program of Shenk Hatchery, Harrisonburg, Va. This includes the birds in pedigree pens, the supply flocks, and growing stock.

The breeding farm itself is being leased by Indian River for the present time. The Shenk Hatchery will be maintained by the Shenk family. The merger is effective immediately, with present Shenk pedigree stock being channeled into the Indian River program.

George M. Ellis, president and founder of Indian River, also announces that Dr. A. B. Godfrey, geneticist for the Shenk organization, has joined the Indian River staff to carry on his work with the new dominant white male line. Dr. Godfrey is expected to bring several of his former assistants to Lancaster as part of the expanded breeding program.

In the development of this male bird, Dr. Godfrey has used 199 single-male pens, together with a laying-house capacity of more than 15,000 hens. Last year over 150,000 pedigreed chicks were produced. As a broiler chick sire, this new cockerel produces a virtually all-white offspring.

The new male, to be known as the Indian River #5, will be put into immediate production, according to Ellis, although volume will be limited and cockerel chicks pro-rated until this fall

### County PFA Supports Lower **Farm Truck Fee**

Officers and board members of the Lancaster County Farmers' Association this week announced their support for legislation in-Harrisburg which would reduce

William B. Jacobs of R. 2, Narvon, president of the County Farmers' Association, said that the proposed reduction of the farm truck fee would help considerably in bolstering up net farm income by helping to reduce farm operating costs.

He pointed to the fact that all states surrounding Pennsylvania now have a special reduced rate for farm trucks, as evidence that a similar reduction in Pennsylvania is justified.

Only farm trucks, not used for hire, would be eligible for the reduced license. The proposed calls for a 50 per cent reduction on all farm truck fees, with the exception of the "R" license, which would be reduced to the same rate as automobiles. -

It has been shown, says the County association's board of directors, that the average farm truck is used on the highways only about 6,000 miles per year. Commercial trucks run-over the highways at the rate of from 30,-000 to 60,000 miles a year.

"It seems to us," said Jacobs, "that trucks which are used very little on the highways should not be charged the same rate as commercial trucks."

Philadelphian

**Guest Speaker** 

# Tentative Test Program Adopted By Red Rose DHIA Directors

A six point program to solve appointed last November to problems due to the machine re- study the changes to be encountcord keeping system to be in-agurated in the dairy herd improving testing program June 1 was adopted by the Red Rose DHIA board of directors Monday.

However, the changes are tentative and may be changed at the next meeting of the board in May.

It is believed by the directors that more information on the change will be available by that time, and that it may be seen! that modifications will be necessary.

The new program provides that:

Herd owners and the tester will share any increase in cost due to the change on an equal basis.

However, it was agreed `that each tester may test in one day shall be unlimited, provided that his work continues to be satisfactory.

Additional -- owner - sampler work shall be under the direction of the head tester and under the supervision of Assistant County Agent Victor Plastow.

All DHIA records shall be in the mail not later than 24 hours after the tests are completed.

The tester shall make available to the herd owner a copy of the records sent to Penn State if the herd owner so requests.

For pay purposes, the herd size limit shall be increased from 40 to 70 head.

The present 20 cents a working day withheld from each tester shall be continued and will be paid to the tester at the end of each test year provided his calf book and life history sheets are in proper order.

The program was formulated by the board after hearing a re-H

ered in the switch from manual to machine record keeping.

The present cost for testing of \$7.50 for the first 10 cows and 20 cents for each additional cow will be maintained. However. -the second day charge will begin 🛥 at 70 head, rather than 40.

The loss in-pay to the tester is expected to be made up by allowing unlimited owner-sampling testing.

The board also decided to anvestigate a proposal that the Progressive DHIA, serving southern Lancaster County and\_part of Chester-County, be integrated with the Red Rose Association.

The new machine record keeping system will be placed into effect on a state-wide basis. Each local association will be integrated into the system at the beginning of the association test year. June 1 starts the test for the Red Rose association.

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Of Florist Assn. Guest speaker at the annual Carnation Night of the Lancaster County Florists Assn. was Howard Faulkenrod, carnation man-ager of the S. S. Pennock Co., Philadelphia.

His topic was "The Relationship Between the Wholesaler and the Grower." The meeting was held at the Farm Bureau Building, Dillerville Road.

The meeting featured a competitive exhibit of carnations. First place winners were: red, Aaron Wissler, Lancaster; white, William Simons, Whitford; dark pink, Clarence Groff, Strasburg; light pink, Howard Clark, Eden; yellow, Fred Hellberg, Bird-in-Hand; and varigated, Clarence Groff, Strasburg.

Judges were Allen Pressell, Hanover; Elmer Lefever, 1300 East King St., Lancaster; and Herman Ruof, 640 Beaver St., Lancaster.

Mr. and Mrs. Hellberg of Birdin-Hand were admitted to the ornew members



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They were formerly of Chalfont. In other business, John Girvin, Leola, was named chairman of the Flower Show Committee.

"Make-Up night" will be observed on Mar. 14 at a dinner meeting at the Leola Memorial Building with Harold Fries as chairman. Mark\_Nolt, president, had charge of the meeting Thursday night.

#### **Plow Contest** To Be in U.S. For First Time

Some 2,500 acres of level land near Peebles, Ohio, will be the scene of the 5th World Plowing Contest on Sept. 19 and 20.

This is the first time this world contest has been held in the Unit-1 ed States, and it is being held this year in conjunction with the National Association of Soil Conservation District Field Days which will begin at Peebles on Sept. 17. Up to the present time 13 countries have qualified to compete. They are Finland, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Holland, West

Germany, Belgium, France, Great Britain, Northern Ireland, Canada, New Zealand, and the U.S. Contestants are scheduled to arrive on or about Sept. 10, according to General Secretary Alfred Hall of the World Plowing Organization.

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