NEPPCO Says Small Farmers Least Desire Federal Controls 12 23

TRENTON, N.J - A survey of vealed here this week that the poultrymen conducted by the poll showed a difference of op-Northeastern Poultry Producers inion among growers - one that Council (NEPPCO) reveals that closely paralleled the size of the federal aid, only four per cent of it's the small poultryman who is farm unit.

most outspoken in his resistance > ming or poultry production contiols.

Among those farmers who kept to any form of federal crop plan- 20,000 laying hens or more, there Dr Alfred Van Wagenen, man-

Only about 15 per centr of the growers with a thousand birds or less thought government assistance was a good thing.

In the production of broilers it was the same story, only more so. Better than 80 per cent of the giant operatores liked the idea of the smaller farmers cottoned to the notion.

The spread between large and was more preference for govern- small farm units was also evident ment crop controls. Nearly 55 pei in the turkey production field. Of cent of these big operators voted those growers raising 5,000 or less aging director of the Council, re- for some type of federal help. birds each year, only 15 per cent eral aid for poultry farmers.

thought some form of controls or thing. Even the larger turkey growers, however, showed a slight margin in favor of financial freedom.

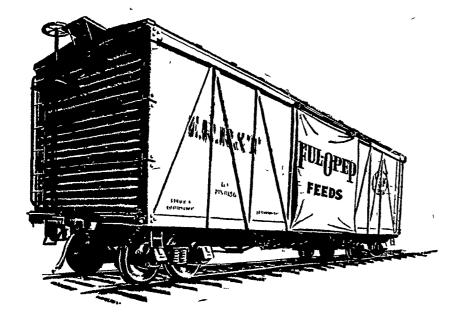
During the past three months, NEPPCO sent out close to 31,000 questionnaire forms to poultry farmers in the Northeast. On the basis of the replies, the group has formulated its organizational policy in opposition to extensive fed-

One result of this stand has government help would be a good been to place the Council under sharp fire from some local groups who have been conducting a membership campaign based upon a fight for a whack of tederal funds.

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"We intend to stick to our guns in keep poultrymen free from any form of poltical captivity," Dr. Wagenen declared "Council members have indicated that they feel strongly on this point, and it's up to us to carry out their wishes "

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