

VERMONT DECLARED BRUCellosIS-FREE

Effective Aug. 12, Vermont was declared modified certified brucellosis-free by the USDA, which means that not more than one per cent of Vermont's cattle and not more than five per cent of the cattle herds in the State can be infected with the disease.

Vermont is the fourth State to achieve brucellosis-free status this year and the ninth in the U.S. to have such status, the other States being Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Minnesota, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Washington, and Wisconsin.

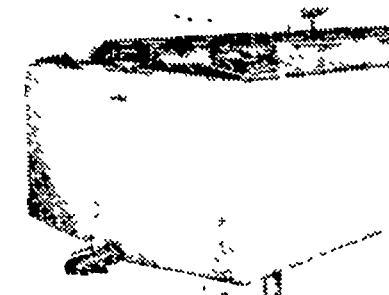


THE AGRICULTURAL COUNCIL of Lancaster County met Thursday at the Southeast Pennsylvania Research Station near Landisville. Workers at the station said that their breeding and evaluation program in tobacco was slowed up considerably this year by the drouth. They did feel, however, that they are making progress in sucker control work and in breeding and development of new varieties (LF Photo)

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Volunteer Egg Certification Plan Adapted

HARRISBURG — As an added service to consumers, a new regulation to improve the quality of eggs offered for sale in Pennsylvania was adopted Wednesday by the State Department of Agriculture.

Secretary William L. Henning said the move provides for a voluntary egg certification program to assure consumers of high quality products and to standardize egg grading. He declared the plan will be more economical and efficient than the present Federal-State plan which it will supplement.

Under the new program, the Department will license inspectors who will be employees of the distributing plants that sign voluntary inspection agreements with the Department. Each must meet Department standards for licensing.

"With this regulation," Henning declared, "we are hopeful that eggs will be marketed in stronger competition and eggs in wholesale and consumer lots will be graded for quality."

52% of Normal Corn Crop Seen In Drouth Area

HARRISBURG — Ravages of drought on Pennsylvania farms that reduced August milk output and brought major production losses for the important corn and hay crops were revealed today by the State Department of Agriculture.

Hardest hit Southeastern Pennsylvania normally produces a high percentage of the state's corn crop but a Federal-State Sept 1 estimate shows conditions only 52 per cent of normal in that area and in central counties, lowest in nearly 30 years. Drought conditions moved westward during August.

Statewide corn production is now estimated at only 46 million bushels, a drop of 25.7 million from last year and 16 million bushels under average. Corn loss from July 1, when dry weather set in, is estimated at 21 million bushels. Yield per acre, statewide, dropped from 54 bushels to an average of only 37 bushels on Sept 1.

A hay shortage has developed in southeastern counties. Latest statewide hay estimates are for production of 3,359,000 tons, down 107,000 tons from last year and 600,000 tons under the 10-year average.

Fall potato output is now estimated at 6,142,000 hundredweight 15 million under last year and the 10-year average of 17 million bags of 100 pounds each. Drought cut yield per acre to an average of 15 bags, 30 below 1956.

Numerous records for dryness were broken or threatened in Southeastern Pennsylvania. By mid-August pastures were dried up in nearly all sections and most dairy herds were on winter feed. Condition of pastures was down to 35 per cent of normal, lowest since records were started in 1933. This compares with 91 per cent a year ago and the average of 73 per cent. There was a 28 per cent decline in August.

Dairy farmers experienced a drop in milk production and higher costs for hay. Many were hauling water for their livestock.

Although the same number of milk cows were reported on Pennsylvania farms during August, milk production was 14 million pounds under the 556 million pounds output of July 1957. There were 951,000 cows in milking herds both months.

Wholesale milk prices during August were up 20 cents a hundredweight to \$4.90 from the previous month, according to preliminary price reports.

Prices of feed concentrates were about the same through Aug. 15 as they were for a month earlier.

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