

NEPPCO Exposition Theme To Be 'Blazing New Frontiers' in Poultry

Coonskin caps and flintlock rifles will add a dash of flavor as thousands of poultrymen from the Northeast make Harrisburg their headquarters for a giant three-day exposition beginning Tuesday under the sponsorship of the Northeastern Poultry Producers Council (NEPPCO).

In keeping with the convention theme, "Blazing New Frontiers", the exposition will take its cue from the days of Daniel Boone in outlining new methods and devices of stepping up margins of profit for poultrymen in a 14-state area from Maine to Virginia and westward to the Indiana border.

Already a record smashing number of exhibitors are planning to display the latest in equipment, supplies and services at the get-together. Everything from electronic egg graders, automatic feeders and waterers and the newest in poultry breeds will be on display.

More than 7,000 poultrymen clicked through the turnstiles of Harrisburg's Farm Show Building at the last NEPPCO exposition at this site, in 1955. Convention officials expect this number

to be topped by this year's event. Leading the list of special events during the three-day show is the selection of the outstanding poultry woman of the year from among entrants from nearly every one of the 14 states in NEPPCO territory.

In addition to honoring the "best poultry boy" from each of the 14 states, the exposition will single out the most outstanding for a special FFA "Poultry Boy of the Year" award.

Among those present will be the fabulous Meg O'Day, a White Leghorn hen that is now in the process of rolling up a new world's record for egg production in the New Jersey official egg laying test.

From the "Poultry House of the Future" set up on the convention floor by Pennsylvania State University poultry experts, to such old-time attractions as the Egg to Chuck Show and the Sample Flock Display, the exposition will be jam-packed with demonstrations, displays and special competitions.

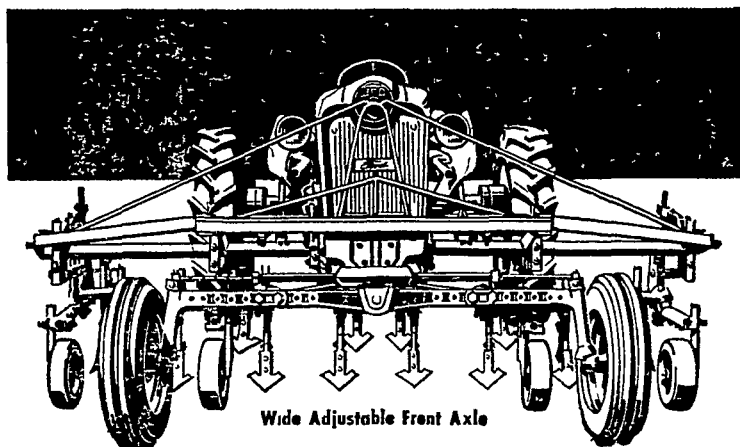
In conjunction with these activities, the NEPPCO program includes a three-day educational program covering a wide range of topics. Virtually every aspect of the poultry industry — from producers to hatcherymen, processors and poultry youth — will find a well rounded schedule of special events, get-togethers and educational sessions.

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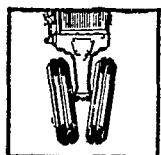


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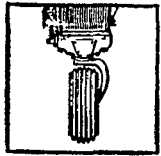
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A MARIETTA BLONDE, Miss Dorothy Fletcher, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fletcher, was crowned "Miss Lancaster County" at the Ephrata Farm Show Thursday night. She won the title in competition with 15 other contestants. The crowning of "Miss Lancaster County" is a yearly event at the Ephrata Fair.

Hereford Steer Grand Champion At Ephrata Fair; Angus Second

A highly fitted Hereford steer took the Grand Championship at the Ephrata Fair Thursday night. The steer is owned and was shown by Miss Leona Augsburger, R-Reinholds. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Augsburger.

Reserve championship went to an Angus steer owned and shown by David Zimmerman of R1 Reinholds, son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Zimmerman.

Miss Augsburger, 16, is quite a professional beef cattle showman. She won reserve championship in the Hereford division at this year's Farm Show. She has been showing seven years in all.

Her steer is a commercial calf brought into the county from Colorado. The breeding is of the Silver Domino strain.

Zimmerman's calf is a native Pennsylvanian, coming from the M. V. Hitt herd, Landonberg, Pa.

Paul Bline, livestock specialist from Penn State, show judge, worked the ten youngsters as hard in the fitting and showing contests as he worked the animals in the show.

In the fitting contest, the Grand and reserve champion again came up in the same order.

But in the showing contest Darwin Boyd, Ephrata, showing ring savvy that would do justice to men much older and experienced than he, came in first.

The judge picked as his top pair of showmen Boyd and Miss Augsburger. He had them switch calves to see how they could work with and control a strange animal. He also checked their awareness frequently.

The control Boyd maintained over the strange animal and his constant awareness of the judge and his animal gave him the edge, the judge said. Miss Augsburger, he said, did not follow the judge as carefully as Boyd in a few instances.

Of the 11 show animals, seven were Herefords and four Angus. The Angus took the second, fourth, fifth and sixth places in the show.

The third place Hereford was

shown by James Nolt, Reinholds. Taking the next three places were Angus steers shown by Boyd, John Zimmerman, R1 Reinholds, and Martin Wenrich, Denver. Having the seventh place Hereford was James Showalter.

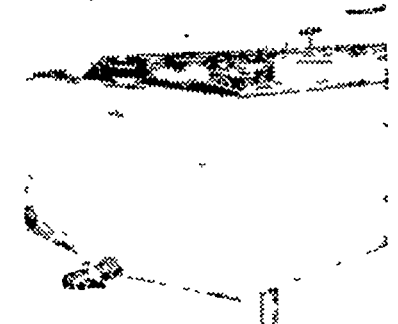
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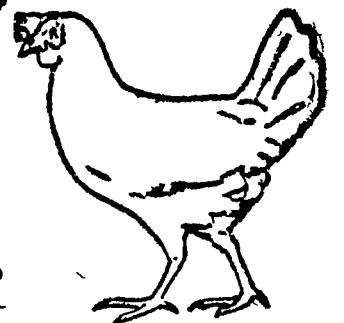
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