

Incentive Payments Are Needed To Raise Egg Quality, says NEPPCO

TRENTON, N. J. — Poultrymen must be provided with new "quality profit incentives" if consumers are to get better eggs at moderate prices, according to Dr. Alfred Van Wageningen, managing director of the Northeastern Poultry Producers Council (NEPPCO).

Speaking in behalf of the thousands of commercial poultrymen in the 14-state territory served by the organization, Dr. Wageningen urged egg marketing organizations and dealers to establish systems whereby poultry raisers will have a dollar and cents incentive to produce the finest eggs.

"From the standpoint of both quality and quantity, the good grower often is taking a financial beating," the NEPPCO chief declared. "If we expect him to continue to produce top quality eggs or to adopt the practices and mechanical devices that make such production possible, we've got to give him a better economic break."

He went on to point out that the responsibility rest squarely with the marketing organizations of the industry, and with egg buyers and handlers. What is needed, he said, is a system whereby the better type of producer will be rewarded, while his more backward neighbors will be forced to measure up to the quality mark or settle for lower prices.

Mechanical cooling systems, frequent farm collections and specialized methods to insure farm quality are expensive to set up and maintain, Dr. Van Wageningen declared. Only a handful of marketing set ups now provide suitable incentives to compensate for this outlay.

Consumers too can expect to reap material benefits from the program, Dr. Wageningen commented.

"Quantity production of high quality products has been the basis of our modern economy," he declared. "We've made U. S. industry the wonder of the world. It's high time that we apply the same thinking and procedure to our farm industry."

"We anticipate that widespread adoption of this program could result in a better egg for the housewife for the same money she is now paying," he concluded. "At the same time, poultrymen will be able to achieve an economic fair deal."

Cows Hardest Hit by Rabies During Last Five Years; Foxes Most in '58

Out of 35 cases of rabies identified in Lancaster County during the past four years only two were found in dogs, according to State Department of Agriculture records.

Cows were hit hardest in the period 1954 through 1957, a total of 14 animal deaths being attributed to rabies. Foxes came second with 13 cases reported. There were five cases in cats, and one hog succumbed to the dreaded disease.

For the first two months of this year seven cases of rabies have been identified in the State and five of these were reported from Lancaster County—all foxes, according to Dr. H. A. Milo, director of the State Bureau of Animal Industry. No rabid dogs have been reported for the county. Greene County has had one dog and a rabid fox was found in Jefferson County, both in the western part of the State.

Dr. Milo says that a new all-time low point in rabies was reached last year when only 21 cases were identified in six of the 67 Pennsylvania counties.

Weather Bureau Should Look At the Almanac

To further redden the faces of the weathermen, Baer's Almanac had the following prediction for March 20 to 23.

"Storm period. Dangerous gales on the Atlantic coast and along the Great Lakes, snow and rain southward to the Gulf."

Unhappily, the Almanac predicts April to be wet with below normal temperatures.



RICHARD MAULE, who farms near Quarryville, lost half the roof of his barn when a heavy snow accumulation proved too much for the rafters. He is shown here shoveling out some of the snow and rubbish in preparation for rebuilding. (LF Photo)

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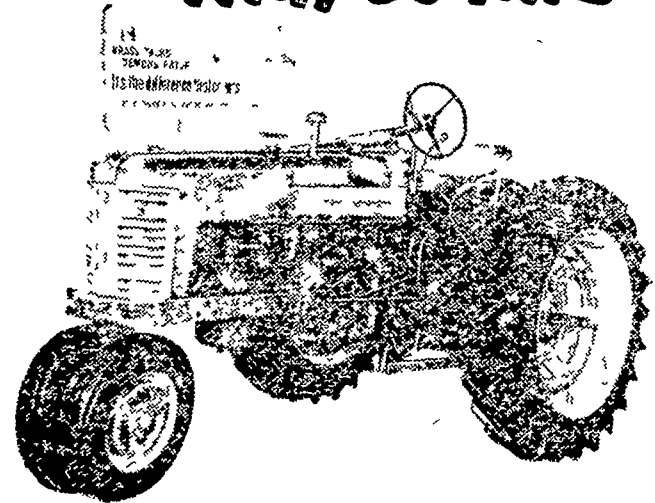
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