

LIVE POULTRY

PHILADELPHIA, May 21 — Unsettled Supplies of most classes were more than sufficient for the fair demand. Best demand was for top quality heavy type hens, caponettes and co-poned fryers

Receipts May 20 — 98,000 lb including Maryland 3,000 lb, Delaware 28,000 lb

Wholesale seeling price No. 1 & fancy quality. Belfrey heavy type 3-4 lb 22-25, pullets 4½ lb & over 30 Hens, heavy type 25-29 light type 18-20, old roosters 12, ducks, Pekin 30. Turkeys young hens 30-32.

April Chick Hatch 13% Greater Than In April 1957

(Continued from Page One) breeds and 13,454,000 other heavy breed poults, down 16 per cent and eight per cent respectively

The number of heavy breed poults produced during the first four months of 1958 was 14 per cent less than in the same period last year. Whites again led the percentage decline.

The number of light breed poults hatched during April totaled 1,543,000, compared with 1,567,000 in April 1957—a decrease of two per cent. For the first third of the year, the number of light breed poults hatched was one per cent less than a year ago

The number of light breed eggs in incubators on May 1 was 13 per cent less than on May 1 last year. The number of heavy breed eggs in incubators on May 1 was down by seven per cent

PHILADELPHIA EGGS

PHILADELPHIA, May 21 — About steady Demand was fair. Supplies were more than adequate to meet day-to-day requirements

Prices to retailers in cartons (cents per dozen)

Grade A & US Grade A large white 47½-53, mostly 50-51; Brown 47½-53, mostly 50-51; Grade A & US Grade A medium white 43-47, mostly 43-45, brown 43-47, mostly 43-45, Grade A & US Grade A small, white 37-42, mostly 38-40, brown 37-42, mostly 38-40; Grade B & US Grade B large, white 43-48, mostly 44-46, brown 43-48, mostly 44-46

Receipts May 20 — 8,000 cases by truck



MALE TURKEYS UNDER test to determine the effect of light and temperature on fertility are shown in one of the six individual day-light tight experimental pens in USDA's new turkey "environment"

house. Air intake and exhaust ducts for filtering the air in each pen and for air-conditioning the entire building are shown jutting into the room above the turkeys. (USDA Photo)

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Little Children Frequent Victims Of Pesticides

HERSHEY, Pa., May 21 — Three of every four accidental deaths attributed to farm and garden spray materials occurred among children under ten years of age, and 90 per cent of those were five years of age, the annual Pennsylvania Farm Safety Institute was told here today.

Proper storage of pesticides would have avoided most of these accidents according to Jack Dreesen, herbicide specialist with the National Agricultural Chemicals Association, Washington, D. C.

Farmers have the responsibility of preventing injury to themselves to their families and neighbors in the use of all pesticides and also must avoid unnecessary contamination of foods, Dreesen declared. Pesticides and other poisonous chemicals must be stored out of reach of children who may mistake them for sugar or other food, he added.

The institute was told there are more than 100 laws in the United States governing the sale, use and distribution of pesticides. Pennsylvania laws were reviewed by Delmar K. Myers, Bureau of Foods and Chemistry, State Department of Agriculture. He urged all users to read and follow directions on labels of pesticide containers.

The meeting was sponsored by the Pennsylvania Farm Safety Council which elected Harold T. Howell, Harrisburg Patriot farm editor as president. Other officers include Frank Anthony, State College, 1st vice president, R. N. Benjamin, New Cumberland, 2nd vice president, Norman F. Reber, Pennsylvania Farmer field editor, secretary, and Loyall D. Odhner, Pennsylvania Chain Store Council, treasurer. Howell urged wide observance of Farm Safety Week next July 20-26.

L. H. Bull, State Deputy Secretary of Agriculture and general chairman for the 16th National Plowing Contest and Conservation Exposition to be held Aug 21-22 at Hershey, said safety practices will be emphasized at the event. Ralph Patterson, Penn State University extension specialist and chairman of the plowing contest committee, led institute members on a tour of the contest site on the Milton Hershey Farms.

Vegetable Seed Prospects Down Sharply

Growers of vegetable seeds have indicated intentions to harvest 98,094 acres in 1958, according to reports made by commercial growers to the Crop Reporting Board. This compares with

144,273 acres harvested in 1957, by far the smallest acreage since 1939.

If the acreage reported by growers for harvest materializes, and yields turn out as expected, production will run about 119.6 million pounds, 37 per cent less than in 1957, and 46 per cent below the 1952-56 average.

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