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\$80,000 Premium List for 'Keystone International'

HARRISBURG — The premium list for the second annual Pennsylvania National Livestock Exposition, published today, shows \$80,000 in cash prizes, ribbons and trophies offered winners at the event here next November. William L. Medford, Chester, show chairman, said the amount is approximately \$5,000 more than offered last year.

The 1958 "Keystone International" exposition will be held in the Pennsylvania Farm Show Building and Arena starting Monday, Nov. 10 and running through Friday, Nov. 14. Closing date for entries is Oct. 1. Premium lists are now available from the headquarters office, 1831 North Cameron St., Harrisburg.

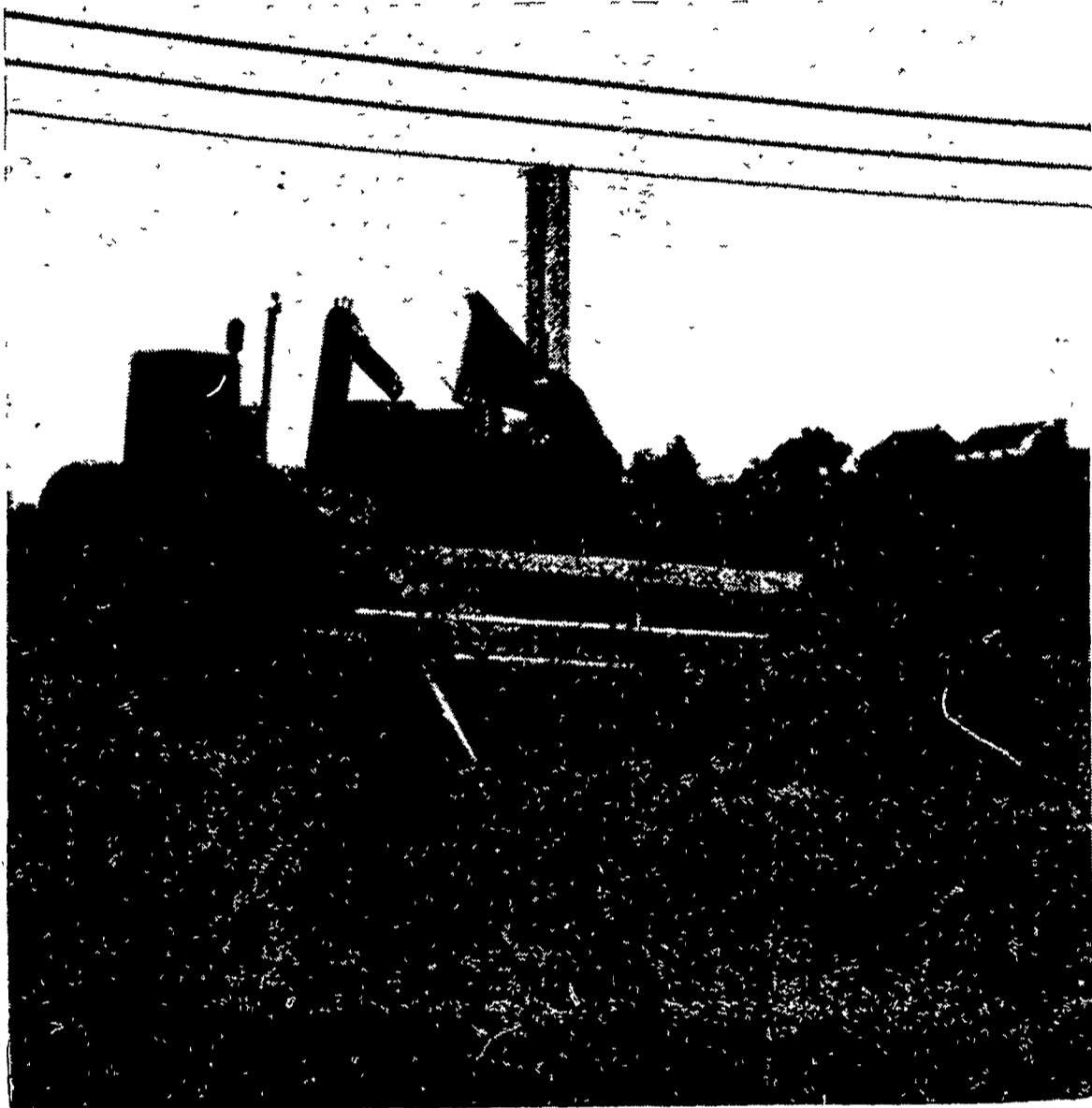
THE EXPOSITION, which last year attracted entries of breeding and market type beef cattle, swine and sheep from 30 states and Canada, will have a number of new attractions, according to Leon Falk, Jr., Pittsburgh, president of the Pennsylvania Livestock and Allied Industries Assn., Inc. which is sponsoring the show again this year in cooperation with the State Department of Agriculture.

Added features for the show which is aimed toward advancement of Pennsylvania and national livestock industries include the following:

EXPANSION OF carcass shows for market steers, hogs and lots of fat steers, market hogs, lambs, addition of open class pen and lambs; the 1958 National Show of the American South-down Breeders Assn. with \$1,300 in premiums, and addition of Columbia and Rambouillet breeds to the sheep show.

Sales of market steers, hogs and lambs will be held Friday, Nov. 14. Animals will be released at 8 p.m. that day to enable exhibitors to show their animals at the Eastern States Livestock Exposition at Timonium, Md.

Also high on the list of new features is the first annual Mid-Atlantic National Truck Show in



WHEAT GROWERS finally got a break in the weather this week allowing harvest to begin. Yields are much above average, with frequent reports of 50 bushels to the acre and better. Combines have some

trouble with the rank straw growth and the amount of green weeds that have grown in the wheat due to the wet weather.

(LF Photo)

Early Sweet Corn May Start Moving This Week

Home grown early sweet corn, tomatoes, Cobbler potatoes and some early peaches began moving to Pennsylvania markets in limited volume during the past week, the State Department of Agriculture said today.

Heavy rains halted farm activity in Northwestern counties during the week ended Monday, the Pennsylvania State Crop Reporting Service said. In a number of other areas, showers hampered haymaking and grain harvest.

Rain throughout the state caused a hay spoilage problem. Many fields had been cut but the crop spoiled on the ground because of unfavorable weather.

PENNSYLVANIA FARMERS, unable to cultivate land because of unfavorable conditions, have attempted to overcome the weed problem by using sprays.

Pastures have been thriving on recent rains and provide lush grazing in most areas, the Crop Reporting Service weekly summary added. The second cutting of is under way in Southern Counties.

While wet weather has caused some potatoes to rot in the ground in Northern Tier counties, early potatoes are being marketed in Southern Counties and early summer cabbage is moving to markets in volume.

THE RED SOUR CHERRY harvest has passed its peak in the Adams-Franklin fruit belt. Tobacco is showing progress and some early plants are expected to be ready to top by July 26.

Pennsylvania's wheat harvest is at its peak in the Southern and in some Central parts of the state, with good yields reported. Winter oats harvest is under way in Southern counties and spring oats is maturing rapidly in Central areas. Corn is beginning to tassel in Southern Counties but a warm dry week is needed for proper pollination.

competition. All will receive a tour of a poultry processing plant, a cigar manufacturing plant, a milk processing plant, and a food distribution center on July 30. The tours will end by attending a baseball game in Philadelphia that night.

Wayne B. Rentschler is chairman of the Council and Lee Brobst is secretary-treasurer. The tour committee is composed of Charles Cowan, George Myers and Kenneth Souder.

Increases Expected for All Fruit Crops Except Apples This Season

HARRISBURG — Increases in Pennsylvania fruit crops — except apples — were forecast today by the State Department of Agriculture. Some early peaches from Pennsylvania orchards are expected to appear in local markets within a few days.

The Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service said crop increases were expected this season for peaches, sweet cherries, red sour cherries, grapes and pears.

Pennsylvania's peach crop on July 1 was estimated at 3,100,000 bushels, 35 per cent above the 1957 production and equal to the 1954 record output. Sweet cherry production was fixed at 1,100 tons, 10 per cent above last year's crop. The red sour cherry crop was forecast at 9,500 tons, compared with 8,300 tons in 1957.

Grape prospects were termed good, with a crop of 29,000 tons indicated for the year compared with 19,500 tons in 1957. A 110,000-bushel pear crop was forecast, 10 per cent above 1957.

Poor pollination weather caused a relatively light set of apples in most Pennsylvania commercial areas and the heavy June drop virtually eliminated the need for thinning the crop by hand.

the four-acre Farm Show exposition hall Nov. 10 through 15. It will include exhibits of new equipment by some of the nation's leading truck and equipment manufacturers.

World Championship Rodeo will return for the second year with seven performances in the Farm Show Arena which was filled to capacity for each of six show last November. The rodeo opens with a matinee on Veterans' Day, Tuesday, Nov. 11, and continues each evening through Saturday plus a Saturday matinee.

June Chick Hatch in State 18% Above Last Year; Egg Types Up Most

The 7,148,000 chicks produced by commercial hatcheries in Pennsylvania during June was 18 per cent above the 6,076,000 hatched in June last year. The June hatch consisted of 5,029,000 broiler-type chicks and 2,119,000 egg type chicks.

The broiler chick hatch was 15 per cent greater than last year and the egg type bird hatch jumped by 24 per cent.

Eggs in incubators on July 1 in the Middle Atlantic states were 12 per cent above July 1, 1957.

CHICK PRODUCTION in the United States is 27 per cent above a year ago and 55 per cent above the 1952-56 average for June. Chicks produced for broiler production were up 25 per cent and egg type chicks were

up 40 per cent.

All sections of the country had hatchings above June 1957.

BROILER TYPE chicks produced during June totaled 177,131,000 compared with 141,861,000 in June 1957. Production for January through June totaled 944,909,000, up 15 per cent from the first six months of 1957.

Egg type birds hatched in the first half of the year were up 12 per cent from the 497,715,000 number totaled last year. June production totaled 39,087,000 head.

The demand for chicks remains strong and larger July hatches of broiler type and egg type chicks than a year ago are in prospect. More eggs were in incubators on July 1 for both types than on July 1, 1957.

County Co-op Council Names Eight Youths to Attend AIC Meeting

The Lancaster County Co-operative Council this week named winners of the annual youth awards program. This year eight delegates will attend the American Institute of Co-operatives annual meeting to be held at Penn State Aug. 24 to 28.

The winners are Robert W. Armstrong, 18, of R1 Drumore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph C. Armstrong, Charles H. Rohrer, 18, of R1, Paradise, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Arthur Rohrer; Wilbur H. Hosler, 16, of R3 Manheim, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark W. Hosler; John S. Yost, 18, of R2 Narvon, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. John Yost;

Luke Brubaker, 17, of R1, Mt. Joy, son of Elam R. Buckwalter; James L. Nolt, 16, of R1 Manheim, son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin R. Nolt; Richard L. Hackman, 17, of R1 Willow Street, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ira L. Hackman; and Miss Doris M. Sollenberger, 16, of R2 Holtwood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Ivan Sollenberger.

Thirty-three FFA, FHA and 4-H members participated in the

Jr. COT Contest Rules Modified; No Big Changes

Some changes in the 1959 Junior Chicken of Tomorrow contest were planned by the state Poultry Federation COT committee which met at Penn State.

The two major changes are that Federation sponsorship will not be required in the forthcoming contest and a summary record sheet will not be required.

The \$2 entry fee will be retained despite objections by some members of the committee. Part of the fee will be returned to the region for use as necessary.

The awards committee was directed to consider a prize for the top weight entries. The possibility of giving Savings Bonds as prizes will also be considered.

The 1959 contest will be held from March until May.

More participation by hatcheries and feed dealers is to be encouraged during the coming year. It was noted by the committee that hatchery participation has been dropping, although there appears to be slightly more interest on the part of feed dealers.