

# Says Southern Poultry Leader

"In five years not over 25 companies will produce well over half of our national broiler production," Mr. Harold Snyder, president of Arkansas Valley Industries, Inc., told 125 leaders of Delmarva's broiler industry at the annual poultryman's open house at the Georgetown Substation of the University of Delaware.

"The people who want to stay in this business are going to have to combine interests or go under," Snyder said.

As the leader of a merged group of feedmen, hatcherymen and processors, Snyder directs an integrated operation producing 15 million broilers annually.

He didn't pull any punches as he told the Delmarva poultrymen that, we must admit that, "we are a group of country boys who have developed a big industry."

"Our Arkansas organization of small businesses in the broiler business got together so that we could afford to bring in competent businessmen," he said.

"Most of us are still acting like children so far as business principles are concerned. If we don't get together by mergers or some other way, and bring businessmen in to help us, we are going to find ourselves out."

In other words, it is better to have 10 per cent of something than 100 per cent of nothing," Snyder said.

"Many people won't agree with me," Snyder said. "We don't like to lose our independence but we must do it."

Asked about his organization, Snyder said it was set up in an effort to gain the advantage of a national organization while leaving the various units as much independence as possible.

In other talks researchers at the Substation explained the results of their experiments.

Frank D'Armi discussed Low Calcium Broiler Diets, and Tom D. Runnels described the progress being made in processing whole soybeans for broiler feed.

D'Armi also discussed the

research work done on floor space requirements for broilers and tests of feeding equipment.

Dr. Maria Angela de Oliveira, Brazilian poultry pathologist, visiting the Substation for several weeks under the Point-4 program, spoke to the poultryman about the broiler industry in Brazil.

J. Edward McIlvaine, chairman of the Broiler Advisory Committee which advises the University research staff on current research problems, acted as chairman at the meeting.

Dean George M. Worrlow of the school of agriculture,

## Wheat Supply Hits Record

The total wheat supply for marketing year which began July 1, is estimated at 2,404 million bushels—an all-time high, according to the August Wheat Situation report.

It exceeds the high of a year earlier by 53 million bushels.

The total supply consists of the carryover of 1,277 million bushels, the 1959 crop estimated as of August 1 at 1,119 million bushels, and an allowance for imports of about eight million bushels, mostly of feeding quality.

welcomed the poultrymen. The meeting began with a chicken barbecue.

ty. At the present rate of appearance, the carryover at the end of the 1959 marketing year may be 370 million bushels, 100 million bushels the carryover on July 1.

The total supply is estimated at 381 million bushels, consisting of 1959 production estimated at 21 million bushels, and imports of 43 million bushels. This compares with a carryover of 456 million bushels a year earlier.

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