

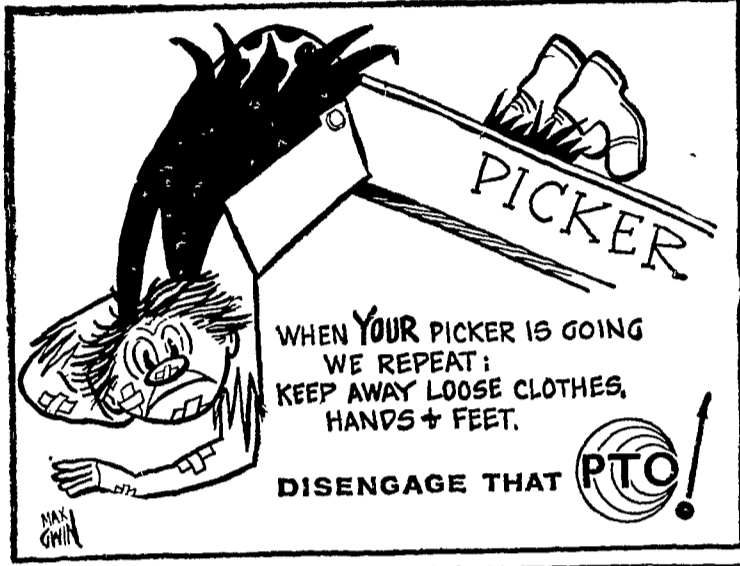
## Farm Safety Machinery Requires Caution

"Thirty-three members of Pennsylvania farm families failed to heed proper operating instructions for machinery last year. Today they are dead," State Secretary of Agriculture William L. Henning said recently emphasizing machinery safety as corn picking season nears.

"Machines are safe," Secretary Henning pointed out, "only the machine operator is dangerous. When a machine is pushed beyond its capacity, when the operator attempts to make it perform impossible tasks, or when he exposes himself to its moving parts—then it can become a killer."

Secretary Henning urged Pennsylvania farmers to make sure equipment is in safe operating condition before taking it into the field. All guards and safety devices should be kept in place at all times when the equipment is being operated.

"Always stop the machine before unclogging, oiling or adjusting," Secretary Henning said. "Failure to observe this simple rule, especially with hay balers and corn pickers, has resulted in the loss of hands, arms and lives."



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## Lights For Pullets

### Don't Begin Too Young

Lengthening the daylight hours by artificial lighting to increase laying in young hens may actually reduce egg production if the birds are too young when exposed to the extra light, according to scientists of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Poultrymen have used artificial light for many years to encourage hens to lay more eggs. The accepted practice is to expose the birds to a lengthened, 14-hour day when they are placed in laying quarters at maturity—when they are 20-22 weeks old.

Experiments showed that pullets exposed to lengthened days—in this case 16-hour

normal daylight plus artificial light to make a total of 14 hours of light daily for 20 weeks, all birds received enough artificial light to a total of 14 hours of light daily.

The two groups of birds differed only slightly in mortality, live weight, feed consumption, and egg weight.

White Leghorn pullets were used in the experiments, started during two successive fall seasons. Half the birds in each experiment were exposed to normal daylight only, and half were exposed to

Artificial light was provided by one 60 watt bulb feet above the floor of brooder. Normal daylight during the 20-week period ranged from about 10 hours.

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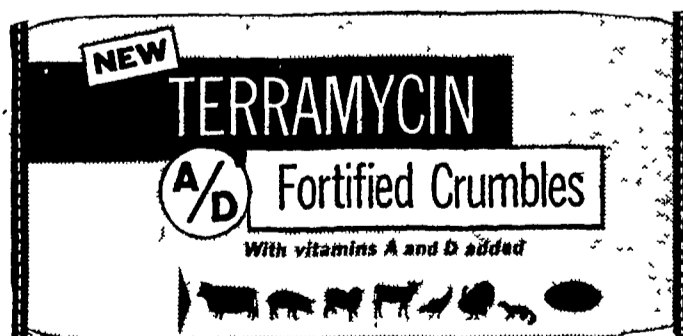
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