

Miss Milkmaid Must Be Milkmaid Indeed

It's back to the milking stool for dairy farmer daughters throughout Pennsylvania. The girls will be practicing to take part in the 1961 Miss Milkmaid of Pennsylvania contest now officially open.

The young lady chosen Milkmaid must be able to milk a cow both with modern machines, and the old-fashioned way.

The 1961 Miss Milkmaid will be crowned May 11 at Bedford Springs, Bedford, site of the annual convention of the Pennsylvania Association of Milk Dealers. She will represent dairy farmers and milk dealers who last year added over 700 million dollars worth of goods and services to the state's economy. The dairy farmer's daughter who wins the Milkmaid contest will take part in an affair in which bathing suits are noticeably absent and in which knowledge of

the dairy industry ranks higher than beauty.

First step for candidates is to enter a semi-final contest held in each of the state's major milk markets. Winners of the 12 local contests will then compete in the state event. All contestants are awarded prizes.

The winner of the final Milkmaid contest will receive prizes that include a \$700 wardrobe, a mink stole, hair styling and many other beautiful gifts.

Candidates must be the daughter of a dairy family producing milk commercially in Pennsylvania; live in Pennsylvania, be at least 17 or not reach 23 before June

Feedmen Cautious Survey Shows Poultry Surplusses

Chicago, Illinois, March 3, 1961—"An overexpansion in all types of poultry production—eggs, turkeys and broilers—and resulting sharp drops in prices and earnings are indicated by developments now underway."

So stated the College Poultry Survey Committee at the conclusion of their two-day meeting in Chicago. The group is comprised of four top college poultry economists and is sponsored by three national poultry and feed associations.

The committee statement continued, "No foreseeable actions which might be used to strengthen demand would be strong enough to completely offset these prices and income results if current production plans are carried out. We urge all segments of the poultry industry to appraise carefully this action in light of the over-all situation."

Highlights of the report are as follows:

30, 1961; be a high school graduate before June 30, 1961; have parent's or guardian's consent, if under 21; be single, appear at local contest and at state finals if selected as area finalist; and represent the state's dairy industry during June Dairy Month, 1961, and at other times until June, 1962, if selected as Miss Milkmaid.

Former local and state winners are not eligible.

"Egg prices, for the laying year beginning October 1, 1961, may be 5 to 7 cents lower compared to the current laying year. This assumes an increase of at least 15 percent in the hatch of egg-type chicks during the first half of 1961, compared to a year earlier, stimulated by current egg prices."

"Turkey farm prices, August through December will average 4 to 5 cents below the 25 to 26 cent national average of the same period in 1960. This is based upon an expected increase of at least 15 per cent in production in 1961, compared to last year."

"U. S. farm broiler prices may average 1 to 1½ cents lower during the months of April through December, '61, as compared to the same period in 1960. Prices during the last three months of '61 may be sharply lower than the 15.9 cent average of the same period last year."

The Poultry Survey Committee members are: Dr. Ralph L. Baker, Pennsylvania State University; Dr. William R. Henry, North Carolina State College; Dr. Richard L. Kohls, Purdue University; and, Dr. Henry E. Larzelere, Michigan State University.

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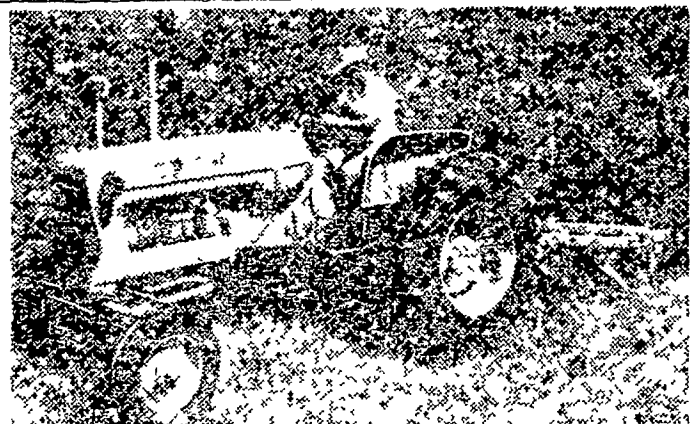
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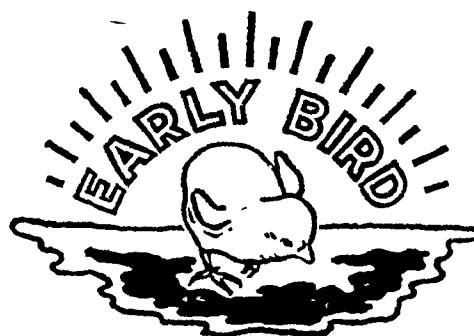
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