



LIFTING OF EGGS AS WELL AS FEED is done with machinery in this laying house. As eggs are gathered from the cages, they are put onto egg case fillers and carried to the washer by cart. After going through the washer, the fillers are put on the skids in the foreground and moved by hand truck to the air conditioned egg room to be cased. Michael High, in the background puts the eggs into the machine, while his older brother, Leon, takes them out of the washer and puts them on the skid. —L. F. Photo

● Poultry House
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quality high. The clean eggs are taken into the air conditioned egg room where they are put into egg cages to wait for the dealer's truck which makes a pick up twice each week. After the eggs are put into the fillers at the front of the cages, they are never handled again individually. The 30-egg filler, being plastic goes through the washer and into the case along with the eggs

Manure disposal in caged layer houses has been one of the major problems of this type of operation. In the High layer house, manure is removed from under the cages by a series of moving paddles. A conveyor at the end of the house carries the drop pings out and into a cistern beside the building. In the pit, the manure is mixed with enough water to become a liquid. An agitator in the pit keeps the mixture stirred up until time to pump it out to be spread on the fields for fertilizer.

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● County Agent
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400,000 at the end of World War II to 1,300,000 at the present time. His office which employs six full time agricultural agents and a like number of home demonstration agents handled a total of 3,800 calls during the month of June

"We recently added a summer assistant to answer the phone and advise home owners on lawn and garden problems, and he hardly ever gets out of the office." Campbell said.

"Our attitude has been this, Our first responsibility is to the farmer, but we will not turn down requests from the suburban resident." Campbell said. He pointed out that farmers in his county are a minority group, and growing smaller percentage-wise every year. Public relations with the rural-non-farm public is important in retaining a favorable budget for extension work.

To illustrate how farming in Nassau County has dwindled, Campbell said there are only 300 cows and no poultry in the county. Potato acreage has dropped from 15,000 acres 15 years ago to about 700 acres this year. Canning vegetables are down

from 25,000 acres in the post war era to 1,200 to 1,400 this year.

"We are going to have to train office girls to recognize symptoms and answer requests, and our work will be more and more with the lawn and garden center vicemen. When one of them brings a problem to us, must train him to recognize the problem if he sees it gain and recommend the Suburbia in becoming more important every year, the farmer and the farm agent had better make the best of it, Campbell believes

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