

## Farm Bureau Adds Personnel

A well known feed authority has been named to head a newly created department for the Pennsylvania Farm Bureau Cooperative Association, it was announced this week.

W. Dale Anderson known in feed circles throughout Eastern United States, has been appointed manager of direct sales services with the statewide farmer coopera-

tive. "We have named Mr. Anderson to this important post in scheduling expansion in this important field of service to farmers in our state," said Lester M. Shughart, Farm Bureau director of distribution.

A graduate of Pennsylvania State University, Anderson was a supervisor of vocational agriculture for 3 years before joining a feed and grain company in York, in a sales capacity.

"The activities of Mr. Anderson's department for the immediate future will be concentrated on feed and petroleum distribution and will be expanded to all sections of the state as need and potential warrant," said Shughart.

Infants in more than fifty countries are being fed American baby foods, report Penn State home economics extension specialists. Last year \$15 million worth of U. S. baby food went out of the country. This is double the amount exported in 1950. One reason for the increase is the large number of American families now living abroad.



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## Ham Moisture Law Reinstated By U.S.D.A.

Meat inspection regulations that prohibit added moisture in smoked hams and similar pork products became effective Nov. 17 in meat-packing plants subject to Federal inspection, the U.S. Department of Agriculture announced.

This represents a return to regulations in effect before Dec. 30, 1960, which require that smoked hams and similar smoked pork products prepared at Federally inspected establishments shall not weigh more than their fresh uncured weight.

As a result of receiving many consumer requests to re-examine the question of added moisture in hams, the Department, during April and May, 1961 held public hearings on the subject in eight cities throughout the United States. Interested persons were invited to submit oral and written data, views

and arguments.

On September 6, 1961, the Department published a notice in the Federal Register that it was considering reinstating the moisture restrictions that existed for many years prior to Dec. 30, 1960. A period of 30 days was provided for interested persons to submit views on the proposal.

An order formally amending the regulations was published in the Federal Register on Oct. 18, to become effective 30 days after publication. The 30 days were provided to give meat packers ample time in which to make any necessary changes in operating methods, the U.S.D.A. said.

It is easier to prevent water pipes from freezing than to do without water after they are frozen. That's why Henry Wooding, Penn State extension agricultural engineer urges that new water lines be laid below the frost level and exposed lines be protected by electric heating cable.

## STUDY AT HOME

This year the Extension Service of the College of Agriculture at the Pennsylvania State University is offering 64 correspondence courses in agriculture, and 12 in home economics. Courses by mail were first offered in 1907 and thousands of people from all 50 states and 25 foreign countries have taken them. Winter is a good time to study, reminds Dr. F. C. Snyder, director of correspondence courses, and suggests you get a free copy of the 1962 Correspondence Course bulletin at any agricultural extension office in Pennsylvania, and select a course of interest to you.

When you buy on credit read every line of the contract before signing, Sam Black, Penn State extension home management specialist advises. Be sure every blank space on the contract is filled, then check it again before signing.

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