

College Man Says Research Is Best Buy

Agricultural research at the Pennsylvania State University is a "best buy", a University official reports. Agricultural research at Penn State costs 19 cents per person in State and industrial funds, less than it costs in any other state except one.

Total cost of research at the Agricultural Experiment Station is 27 cents per person per year, says Henry R. Fortmann, Assistant Station Director. The 27 cents includes 9 cents per person from Federal funds.

On a national basis, the average cost per person for agricultural research is 76 cents.

Dr. Fortmann points out.

Expressed as total gross farm income, this means Pennsylvania spends \$320 for agriculture research for each \$1,000 of total farm income.

"This research makes certain an abundant supply of nutritious food for less than the cost of a package of cigarettes or one gallon of gasoline," Dr. Fortmann comments.

"In addition safeguards for health and heritage are being developed — as well as research to maintain the competitive position of Pennsylvania agriculture. This is vital to the economic welfare of all Pennsylvanians," he adds.

Vermont is the only New England state without a station.

Co-op Egg Sales On Increase

In the three year period since Producers Cooperative Exchange of Coatesville, installed Food Machinery Automatic Electric egg sizing and packing equipment, sales of eggs graded at the plant have increased from 3,770,181 dozen in 1958 to 6,053,026 dozen in 1961.

"The installation of FMC equipment at the Co-op has saved farmers many hours of labor, since they no longer need to spend time grading their eggs at their farm," so stated William G. Carlin, President. "This work can now be done at the cooperative faster, more accurately and at less cost."

Increased sales of carton eggs was made possible by obtaining new accounts, chiefly chain stores and dairies. During this three year period most chain warehouses have closed their egg packing departments and are buying eggs already packaged and many are delivered direct to the super markets.

Actually Producers Cooperative Exchange was the first to inaugurate pre-packaged quality eggs delivered direct to stores, Carlin said.

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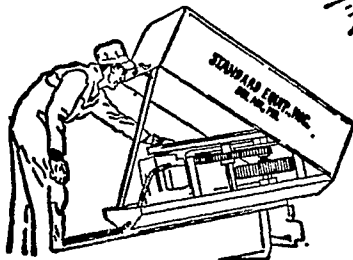
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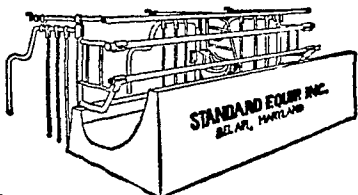
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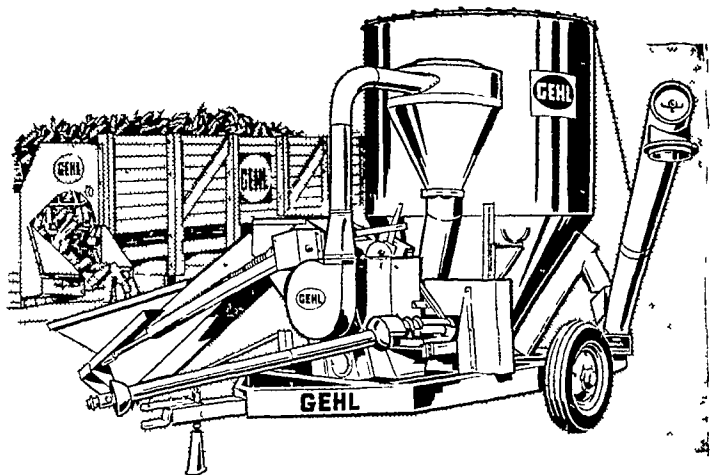
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