

Hog Farm
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Henney has also found that he can keep the pigs busy if he closes down the self feeder to the point where the pigs have to work for their feed. There is a fine line between keeping the pigs busy and making him go hungry, he says, but close supervision of the hogs will show when that line has been reached.

The 72 sows on the farm have farrowed in lots of 20 each at intervals of about eight weeks. Henney hopes to increase one sow herd to over 100 head with the existing building and possibly to as many as 200 sows when he completes the second wing on the farrowing house. He graduated for the second time when he built the original house. Bred sows are brought in

from outside lots to the farrowing house about a week before farrowing date so that they can become accustomed routine of the house. The sows stay in the crate except for a period twice a day when they are turned out for feed water and exercise until the pigs are four weeks old.

Henney and his farm manager Kelly Cruz have found that their crossbred Landrace X Yorkshire sows and the purebred Yorkshire sows make superior mothers. They plan to continue using Yorkshire sows bred to Hampshire boars to produce feeder pigs.

Scours was one of the major problems among the young pigs. In typical fashion of the way he does things, Henney took an infected pig to a laboratory, secured some gut

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Service Bulletin

239 eggs average from 259,000 hens



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Have new birds debeaked. Debeaking won't stop fighting, but it reduces possibility of serious injury. Debeaking is the answer when birds are lost from pecking. It also stops losses from "blowouts." Temporary eversion of the oviduct is normal with egg laying. It becomes a "blowout" if the oviduct remains hanging externally. This is likely to happen in flocks where vents have been damaged by excessive vent pecking.

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