Cattle Expert Defends Processing Meat Imports

OMAHA, Mar. 5 --- The nation's voracious appetite for backs in imports would have hamburgers and hot dogs cui- adverse impact on supplies of iently requires substantial im- hamburgers and wieners which ports of manufacturing-type account tor nearly one-third of beet, Herrell DeGraff, president beet consumption of the Aemiican Meat Insti-Ak-Sar-Ben Coliseum here to- anything approaching stable dav

agricultural economist and cow slaughter only with imfood industry analyst, said that ported processing beef This domestic production of cow and situation, in degree, will conbuil meat dropped from 27 tinue to be true until our dopounds per person in 1955 to mestic production of manu-14 pounds in 1963 — an al- facturing-type beef again turns most 50 per cent decline In- upward." cluding current annual imports of approximately 1.5 bilhon pounds of manufacturingtype beef, the per capita supply of this hamburger and frankfurter beef is still down about 15 per cent from 1955, he said.

He cautioned that sharp cut-

"If the hot dogs, hamburquantities, it can be accom-D1 DeGraff, a widely known plished during years of low

> ers alone. And these younghamburger and hot dog consumers.

to keep people eating these imports"

products made from beef than it is to suriender this market to alternative toods to which the consumers could and would have to turn," Dr DeGraff said

Current beef imports, he said, are a relatively minor help solve the current price factor affecting cattle prices squeeze compared with domestic overthe competition of other toods cows.

He quoted U S Department tute told the 16th Annual Na- ger and other processed meats erage cattle prices are down tional Livestock Conference at are to be in our markets in about \$3.70 per hundredweight compared to a year ago. The ings USDA estimated that about 20 cents of the drop was due to promotion programs directed increased supplies of poultry toward consumers. and pork about 50 cents due to increased imports and ab- Continued fise in conout \$300 due to increased do- sumer demand for beef mestic beef production.

the precision of these figures, of consumer income indicate "Since 1955, we have had an I do think that they are rough- that by 1970 we will need in increase of 10 million teen-ag- ly in line with the facts," Dr. this country some 25 per cent DeGraff said "And if this is more beef production potensters, of course, are the big true, it indicates that there are tial than we have at the present matters of concern to the cat- time The tougher part of the tle industry that run deeper outlook is some intermediate "I believe that it is better than the single question of years of adjustment - a time

- A Lancaster Farming, Saturday, March 14, 1964-5

Emphasizing that his purpose exproduced," he said.

into "proper perspective" Dr DeGraff listed four steps for been neutral in questions of captlemen which he said would tariff and trade

production of fed cattle and tions by culling old an barren domestic livestock industry.

tle in feed lots

4 Support expanded beef

DeGratt predicted a \mathbf{Dr} "Prospective population growth "While I hold no brief for and the continued rising level when we have temporarily ov-

was to try to bring imports. He pointed out that meat packets traditionally have

"This is certainly not for lack of interest in such gues-1. Tighten up ranch opera- tions as they may affect our Rather, the policy is recogni-2 Quit over-fatening of cat- tion that trade is a two-way street We have an enormous 3 Avoid bunched market- amount of tallow and grease - \$150 million worth last velai --- that must be sold abroad Other exports last year included \$80 mlilion worth of hides and \$25 million worth of variety meats There are still other slaughter by-products for which we need export maikets

"It is certainly true that in recent years, meat imports have considerably exceeded the value of slaughter-product exports. But this has never yet been true over the whole of a cattle cycle. Trade is, and still must be a two-way street - and even the present imports problem cannot be regarded as all white or all black, as all good or as all bad," Di DeGraff said

Scabies (Continued from Page 1)

1

disease from that County.

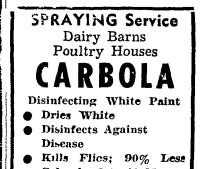
The scables-free designation, announced today in the Federal Register, means that precautionary dipping of breeder and teeder sheep being moved from Cumberland County to other areas no longer is compulsory. However, inspection of sheep for symptoms of the disease will continue.

Breeding Co-op

(Continued from Page 1) cutive secretary, Holstein Friesian Association. His topic will be "The Cow That Meets the Demands of Tomorrow."

Fied A. Hughes, extension farm management specialist at The Pennsylvania State University, will discuss "Can Pennsylvania Dairymen Compete?"

The business session of the meeting will be Situiday. A M, April 11 E'ection of new officers will take place immediately beio e adjournment.



PROOF! From The Experienced Turkey Feed Company **"Our Results Keep** Getting Better" Says ALLEN KLEINFELTER

LEBANON, PENNSYLVANIA

Look At This Record

	1961	1962	1963	3 Year Average
No. Birds Started	2500	2500	2500	2500
No. Birds Sold	2441	2382	2430	2418
% Livability	97 6 % <i>o</i>	95 2 ′ c	97 2 4	96 72 ' ،
Average Weight Per Bırd	21 28 lbs.	21 82 lbs	21 76 lbs.	21 62 lbs.
Average Tom Weight	25.00 lbs.	26 41 lbs	26 16 lbs	25 86 lbs
Average Hen Weight	17.32 lbs.	17 26 lbs.	17 45 lbs.	17 34 lbs.
Lbs. Feed/Lbs. Meat	3.38	3 43	3 26	3 36
Feed Cost Per Lb.	13 52c	14 67c	14 58c	14 26c
Strain	Bronze	Bronze	Bronze	Bronze



Hornco is the experienced turkey feed company. Check with your neighbor, he probably feeds Hornco.

D. E. HORN & CO., INC. YORK, PA. Ph. 2-7867

