

● **Now Is The Time**  
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So water your lawn, but do it slowly and thoroughly.

**To Study Farm Lease**

When making a farm lease, landlords and tenants should reach agreement on a number of provisions about the crop and livestock enterprises, and sharing of income and expenses. In order for a farm lease to meet minimum requirements, it should state who the landlord and tenant is, what real estate is rented, how long the lease is to be effective, and how much rent is to be paid. If the lease is written it should also contain the signatures of the two parties. If the lease is oral the two parties may be presumed, by the law, to be landlord and tenant, whether or not they have discussed a rental arrangement. If a farm operator occupies and cultivates the land and pays rent to the owner, the legal presumption is that the two are tenant and landlord. But, if the lease embodies only these minimum requirements, many important matters are left undecided. To avoid misunderstandings later, we suggest the landlord and tenant discuss and reach agreement on the rights and duties of each party and to state them clearly in the lease.

Consideration should be given to the means of providing for efficient use of their combined resources. They should discuss and reach agreement on how to provide for sound land use and a good livestock system, to encourage development and conservation of resources, to establish equitable rental rates and provide for proper sharing of expenses, and to promote secure occupancy.

**Crop Conditions For Pa. — DRY**

A summary of crop conditions up to this week as reported by Pa. Crop Reporting Service.

**Hay**—Yields in most areas are below normal, prospects for second and third cuttings of alfalfa sharply reduced in some eastern counties.

**Pastures**—Turning brown in some areas resulting in supplemental feeding of hay and ensilage. Many farmers are planting sudan sorghum hybrids for supplemental forage.

**Barley**—Combining is under way in southern areas with good yields indicated.

**Wheat**—Prospects continue to look good.

**Oats**—Winter crop is in head, spring crop prospects reduced by dry weather, with some fields heading on 6 to 10 inch straw.

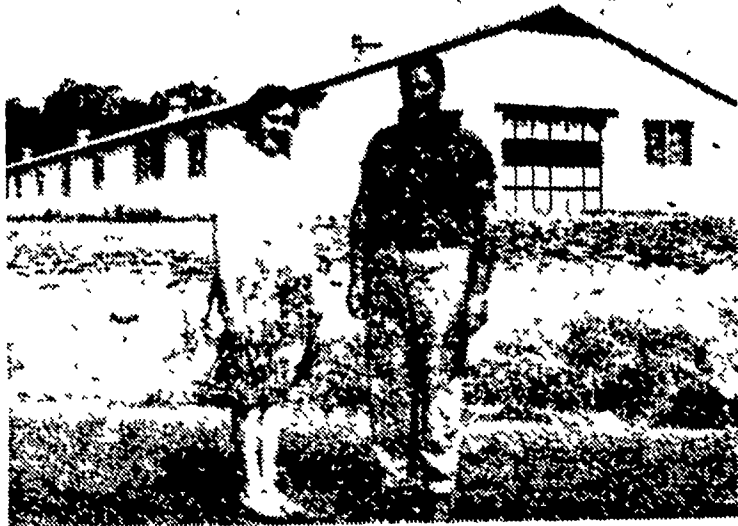
**Corn**—Stands generally are good but considerable moisture is needed for satisfactory growth.

Good crops of cherries, both sweet and sour, are expected. Peaches, however, need more rain for proper sizing, especially in the Berks-Lehigh-Schuylkill area.

Rainfall deficiencies at the 19 weather reporting stations in the state range from 1.10 to 9.20 inches.

Ninety-seven percent of native grasslands in the U.S. have never had a pesticide applied to them. About 75 percent of the total land area of the U.S. has never had any pesticide applied to it.

# Performance Is The Key To Low Costs !



Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Esbenshade stand in front of one half of their twin layer house.

At the end of the 1963-64 season, we published the fine leghorn breeder flock records of Mr. and Mrs. H. Glenn Esbenshade of R. D. 2, Manheim.

## Here are some details on their 1964-65 flock:

- Number of birds housed April 29, 1964 — 12,319 pullets plus cockerels
- Date birds reached 50% production — May 15, 1964
- Date flock was sold — April 29, 1965
- Days in production from start of 50% — 349 days
- Hen house mortality — 5.8%
- Total eggs shipped per hen housed starting at 50% production — 343.6
- Average hatchability — 92.9%
- Pounds of feed per dozen eggs produced (not including cockerel feed) — 3.64
- Estimated consumption of cockerel feed per dozen eggs produced — 0.264 lbs.
- Feed used (except for about 3½ weeks) — Early Bird #311 Breeder Mash

Comment from the receiving hatchery to the Esbenshades . . .

"This was one of the finest performing breeder flocks that we have ever had — congratulations from all of us."

A fine performance, Glenn and Rachel.

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Glenn Esbenshade is shown with some of the 12,000 layers in his poultry house.

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