

Nation's Market Bureau Directors To Visit Weaver's Poultry Plant And Other Sites On County Tour

The poultry and egg processing plant of Victor F. Weaver Inc., New Holland, may become the most inspected plant in the nation this month, State Secretary of Agriculture L. H. Bull noted.

It will be one of the places visited September 20 by the members of the National Association of Marketing Officials, who will tour Lancaster County before they hold their annual convention in the Ben Franklin Hotel, Philadelphia.

As directors of the bureaus of markets in each of the fifty states, the NAMO members also have the responsibility of directing the regulatory services in poultry and eggs and other fresh foods. They are in charge of government poultry and egg inspectors. As such, they are in effect the chief inspectors of each state.

The Victor F. Weaver, Inc. plant is now one of the largest and most modern operations of its kind in Pennsylvania. The company processes about 300,000 broilers and 7,000 cases of eggs each week for the wholesale markets in most of the major cities in the northeastern part of the United States.

It also produces cut up and frozen poultry parts which are exported to foreign markets and it processes fully-cooked products which are becoming increasingly popular with the modern housewife.

Under an agreement between the Pennsylvania and U. S. departments of agriculture, poultry products of the Weaver plant are inspected by federal inspectors and carry the USDA seal of quality and grade to foreign countries and many cities in the east. Eggs are packed under the

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continue Ebersole's Babcock Leghorn association, plus the Ghostley Pearl bird, and the Vantress-Cross broilers.

Floyd Weber, a licensed poultry technician who has been associated with the poultry business for the past fifteen years will be in charge of hatching egg production and breeder flocks.

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from a one-man operation in 1937 to its present size because we observe the highest quality and sanitation standards," he said. "We welcome such critical inspection as will be made by these marketing officials."

Recent improvements and expansion of the plant make it a desirable operation for the marketing officials to see as they keep themselves up-to-date on the latest processing developments.

The marketing officials, led by Pennsylvania's director of the Bureau of Markets, C. W. Funk, and with Lancaster County Agent Max Smith as a guide, will make quick visits to the Landis Valley Farm Museum, the Ephrata Cloisters and one or more Lancaster Farms before they visit the Weaver plant. They will top off their tour of the Red Rose County with a more lengthy visit to the New Holland Farm Machine Company, also in New Holland.

In their Philadelphia meet-

ings, the Marketing Officials will hear such prominent speakers as Dr. George Brantford, executive director of the National Commission on Food Marketing; Raymond Ioanes, administrator of the U. S. Foreign Agricultural Service; Col.

Robert Pearson, director of procurement and production of food and other supplies for all the U. S. military bases throughout the world, and Pennsylvania's chief executive, Governor William W. Scranton.

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