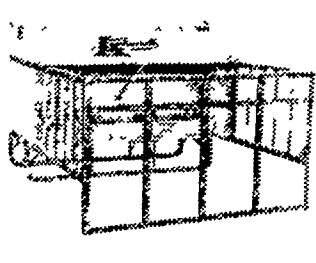


POINTING OUT the special 15-dozen case the company is finding more and more in demand is Robert Trout, of E. Roy Trout & Son, Inc. These half-cases are shipped under the firm's brand name of Pequea Valley Farms. L. F. Photo

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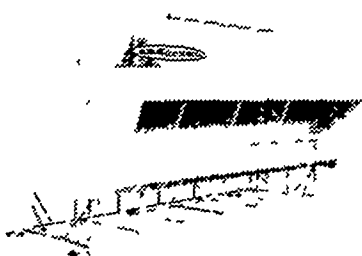


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el of humidity to be maintained in the rooms where eggs and egg cases are stored.

LABOR EFFICIENCY INCREASED

The latest equipment change enabled the firm to operate with seven less workers, thus lowering its cost of production and showing a considerable gain in labor efficiency.

Working one and a half shifts a day, five people now wash, candle, grade, and pack more than 2000 cases of eggs a week. In addition, the firm handles approximately 1000 cases of eggs a week which are washed and graded at suppliers' farms. These are gathered from the farms one to three times a week, spot checked for quality, weighed, and shipped loose to wholesalers or to government installations.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

Trouts allocate about 20 percent of their total output to government orders. These are bid propositions, and are delivered by Trouts' six trucks to government installations in Virginia, Delaware, New Jersey, and Washington D C. Many eggs are also sold to the military for resale through Post Exchanges. These are all cartoned under the firm's own Pequea Valley Farm brand.

LIKES LOCAL EGGS

"We've always handled nearby eggs," Roy Trout said. "We feel we get better and more consistent quality than we could get by buying outside eggs." Another consideration, Trout felt, was that if local buyers go south for cheaper eggs they're killing the local producers. "Besides," he added, "prices of nearby are more in line now

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NESTLED INTO THE HILLSIDE, the new addition to the E. Roy Trout & Son, Inc. egg processing plant will have greater access to moisture, which will help to maintain egg quality. Showing the comparative height of the ground level at the rear of the building is Robert Trout. L. F. Photo

Pa. Irrigation Facilities Will Be Surveyed

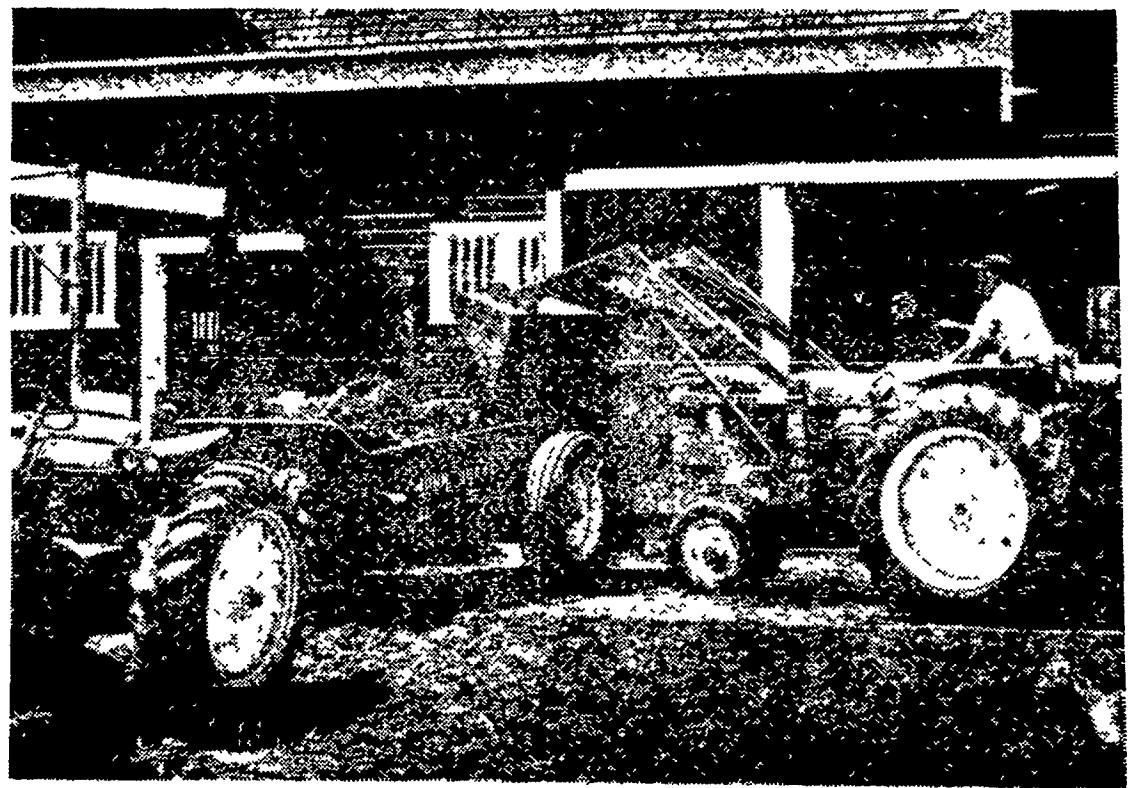
HARRISBURG — The Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service announced the start of a comprehensive survey of irrigation facilities available in the state and of farmers' plans for irrigating crops this year. "Five consecutive drought seasons have emphasized the need for irrigation facilities, especially for short-time maturing crops such as vegetables, potatoes and fruits," State Agriculture Secretary Leland H Bull said.

According to the 1964 Census of Agriculture, there were approximately 1,000 farms with 23,000 acres of land under irrigation in the state that year. Secretary Bull pointed out, however, that two drought seasons have passed since then and

that more detailed information about irrigation facilities is needed for 1967.

The Crop Reporting Service will ask farmers for basic data concerning sources of water for irrigation, the acreage under irrigation, the acreage of various crops grown under irrigation for harvest, the number of applications of water and the amount of water applied, and the type of equipment in use.

Most of the survey will be conducted by mail, supplemented by some personal interviews. Dewey O. Boster, agricultural statistician-in-charge of the Crop Reporting Service, urged farmers receiving survey forms to fill them out and return them promptly. "The threat of food shortages and the increasing demands on our water resources by all users creates an urgent need for this information," he said



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