

Poultry Federation Elects Officers And Cites Outstanding Poultryman

UNIVERSITY PARK, PA. — "Poultryman of the Year" in the Keystone State is Floyd H. Wiltshire of McKeesport, named during the annual conference of the Pennsylvania Poultry Federation held at Penn State University last week. He is the owner of Wiltshire Poultry Farm, McKeesport.

Wiltshire received the Federation's plaque citing his "many years of conscientious and loyal service to all segments of the poultry industry." The plaque listed his efforts in helping to establish the Butler Poultry Diagnostic Laboratory. He was also acclaimed for his leadership in the agricultural extension work of Allegheny County.

WHEELLOCK, PRESIDENT

Elected president of the Federation was Walter E. Wheelock of Chambersburg. New first vice president is Donald E. Horn of York. Named second vice president was Frederick A. Slezak of Irwin. Elected secretary was Samuel F. Barkdoll of Chambersburg. Lawrence E. Kegerreis of Palmira was reelected treasurer.

Directors named to three year terms were George M. Anthony of Staustown, Homer Bicksler of Souderton, Richard Moyer of Winfield, and Vernon E. Norris of Valencia.

Members of the Future Farmer of America and 4-H Club members received annual youth awards at the Federation's banquet. FFA winners were Gleason Ritchie, Jr.

Crop Roundup

HARRISBURG — Fears of a sixth consecutive year of drought on the state's farmlands were eased somewhat by weekend showers that improved the outlook for all crops. Growth was practically at a standstill prior to the rain which was the first in this area since May 29th.

Haymaking progressed rapidly during the clear sunny weather and a good quality crop is expected in all areas. Second crop alfalfa benefited greatly from the recent rains.

Pastures are still supplying an average amount of feed. Rains came in time in many dry areas to prevent further damage.

Corn made good growth during the week but more rain is needed for continued progress. Bailey is coloring rapidly, but harvest will be one to two weeks later than usual. Prospects are for a good wheat crop. Although cool weather earlier in the season retarded oats, present forecasts are more promising.

Apples are sizing nicely but the crop is spotty. Irrigation was started in some southern orchards. In a few southern areas where there are any sweet cherries, picking has started but most of the crop will be taken by birds. Sour cherries are starting to color but not many will be harvested.

The combination of warm weather and recent rains improved vegetable growth. Planting of sweet corn and tomatoes is about completed. Tomatoes are making good growth, harvesting of asparagus continues, strawberries are showing good yields in most sections, and harvesting of peas for processing has begun in the south central region.

Potato planting is completed. Some early fields are starting to bloom but plants are smaller than normal. Transplanting of tobacco in Lancaster County is nearing the three quarter mark, but dry soils have contributed to slow growth.

ing the 4-H awards were Wallace Plummer, Sidman R1, and David Stough of Hellam R1. Herbert C. Jordon, extension poultry specialist, presented plaques to the winners.

Alice Wertz of Danville R5, received luggage awarded to

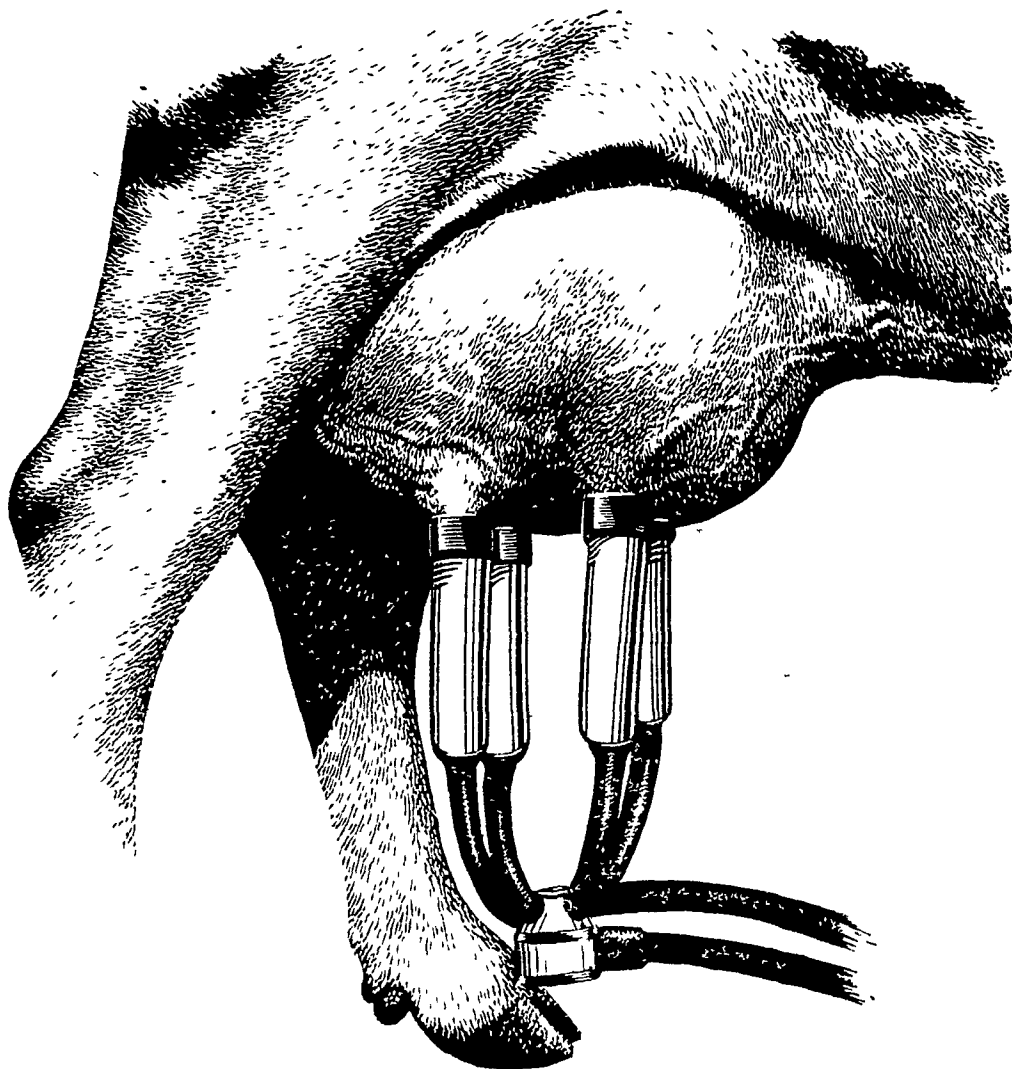
the champion in the 4-H dressed turkey section of the 1967 State Farm Show. Making the award was Clyde Rishell of Mackeyville, president of the turkey division of the Poultry Federation.

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