16-Lancaster Farming, Saturday, October 14, 1967

## Poultrymen From 5 Foreign Countries Here

Poultrymen from England, Canada Brazil, Argentina and Czechoślovakia as well as numerous people from the Northeastern United States visited Lancaster county Monday, on the NEPPCO poultry tour that stopped at leading farms, processing plants and poultry equipment establishments. The schedule of stops for the four buses included L. M. Sheaffer's Cloisterdale Farm, Ephrata: Victor F. Weaver, Inc. New Holland; Big Dutchman, Inc., New Holland: Indian River Poultry Faim's Hatchery, Landis Valley: and John J. Oberholtzer's grow-out farm, Leacock.

The group ate a box lunch at the New Holland Park at noon, visited the Pennsylvania Farm Museum at Landis Valley in the afternoon and enjoyed a full course Pennsylvania Dutch dinner at Plain and Fancy Restau ant in the evening

In welcoming the group *c*: the dinner, John H Hess, prcident of the Lancaster County Poulty Association told the tourists that Lancaster County is the most productive county in the state and reportedly accounts for about one percent of the country's total egg production

"In the poultry business," Hess said, "as in any other industry, what you accomplished yesterday, and even today, cannot be relied on to carry you through tomorrow.

"Our leading poulty people realize this basic fact of life, and as you have observed in traveling through our county today, they are doing something about tomorrow's egg and broiler production right now

"While none of us know what tomorrow's challenges may involve, we are working toward the basic goal of supplying our own markets We are located next to one of the prime consuming areas in the world I feel certain our producers will continue to make whatever adjustments are called for to seive that market

"Many economists once claimed — some still do — that futule production would shift to the areas of lowest cost Recently, however, opinion suggests that production will be close to consuming areas The reasons suggested for this higher transportation and labor costs, for example — make sense, I think

'The poultry industry in the area is staking its future on the fact that it can continue to get its share of this market de-



NEPPCO POULTRY TOUR VISITS LANCASTER COUNTY. One hundred fifty-five poultrymen on four buses from five foreign countries as well as numerous representatives from all over the United States visited Lancaster County Monday, as members of the NEPP-CO poultry tour. In the photo above the tour made its first stop at the Cloisterdale Farm of L. M. Sheaffer, Ephrata. L. F. Photo

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spite the best effoits of competitive areas," Hess concluded The tour left the restaurant at 8 15 pm and was scheduled back in Harrisburg at 9.30 pm



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