

Local Eggmen Win At NEPPCO

Four Lancaster County Poultry establishments won blue ribbons in the nation's largest market egg show Tuesday, held in Harrisburg at the 31st exposition of the Northeastern Poultry Producers Council (NEPPCO).

L. M. Sheaffer, Ephrata, had scores of 99.9; 99.6; 99.55; 99.5; 99.4 and 98.95. Weaver's Quality Eggs, Inc. scored 99.45; 99.25 and 98.05 Plain and Fancy Egg Ranch, Inc., Elizabethtown R3 had entries that earned 99.35; 99.25; 99.15; 99.1; 98.95; and 98.5.

Clay Reese Co., 202 Seymore St., Lancaster, had an entry that scored 98.65.

Curtis Rataiczak, Beaver Valley Egg Farm, Quaker City, Ohio, won the "Best of Show Gold Award" with a perfect score of 100 points. Rataiczak's entry of a dozen medium white eggs packed under his home brand name topped a field of 107 entries.

Firms located in nine of the 14 northeastern states in the NEPPCO area participated in the contest. Pennsylvania led the list with 57 entries, New Jersey and New York were each represented by 14 entries and Maryland had the next largest entry list with 11.

Blue ribbons went to 65 entries which scored 98.5 points or better and honorable mention was given to 33 which scored between 96 and 98.5. Nine entries scored fewer than 96 points and failed to qualify.

Pennsylvania farms and firms won a total of 42 blue

ribbons and 14 honorable mention citations; a dozen ribbons and one citation went to New Jersey entries and New York entries won five blue ribbons and seven honorable mentions.

Judging was handled by state departments of agriculture, which inspected samples in the plants of the entrants. Points were awarded on the basis of more than half dozen major considerations — including uniformity of size, color and shape, shell texture, interior quality and cleanliness.

• Last Minute

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October 15, and is leaving the Farm and Home Center at 8:00 a.m. (See last week's issue of Lancaster Farming for full details).

Reservations may still be made on Monday by calling the Association secretary, Mrs. Ethel McGarvey, 397-1543.

Higher Egg-Milk Prices above September 1967. Milk prices advanced seasonally as supply declined. The September index of prices received, during September was described as unchanged by the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service. However, the index was up 4 percent from a year earlier than in August and 10 cents earlier.

Farm Women

SOCIETY #14

Society of Farm Women #14 met Wednesday, October 9, at the home of Mrs. James Hall, Strasburg. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Jason Mellinger, Mrs. Charles Meloy and Mrs. Lloyd Ranck. Devotions were in charge of Mrs. Hall and roll call was answered by giving their favorite apple recipe.

The Annual food and plant sale was held at this meeting and netted the Society \$56.00. Mrs. Ira Kreider served as the auctioneer.

The next meeting will be held on November 13 at the home of Mrs. Melvin Stoltzfus. A demonstration on Christmas decorations will be given by Mrs. Charles Lichty.

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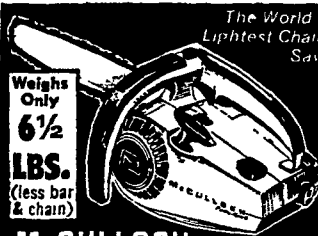
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