

## Milk Marketing Referendum To Be Discussed

Further preparation of rules, regulations and other items related to the dairy referendum will be discussed at a sub-committee meeting of the Milk Marketing Promotion Committee in Harrisburg on Nov. 8.

The marketing program has proposed to provide the Commonwealth's dairymen with a coordinated program to increase the use and sales of milk and milk products.

Among the goals set forth in the program are research for market expansion, new product development, advertising, promotion, consumer education and the establishment of an information service program to outline quality standards and improvements.

The sub-committee, in its initial meeting, suggested a 15-member advisory board to advise and assist State Secretary of Agriculture Leland H. Bull in the administration of the marketing program.

Advisory board members would be named for terms of three years, with one-third of the members selected each year.

The major decision facing sub-committee members at the next meeting remains the establishment of a rate of assessment for dairymen. It was pointed out that over six billion pounds of milk was produced in the Commonwealth in 1967, with most going to the wholesale market.

A marketing program approved by producers of an agricultural commodity, such as

## Pennsylvanians Horse Around More

If Pennsylvanians horse around more nowadays, it's logical. They have more horses.

A survey by USDA's Crop Reporting Service and the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture estimated 85,000 horses, ponies, and mules in the State in 1967. The most recent previous official accounting by the U.S. Census of Agriculture, about 9 years ago, turned up about 58,000 on Pennsylvania farms.

Pennsylvania's interest in tabulating its equine population is not unique. Other states—New Jersey, New York, and Virginia—have run surveys in recent years to get a fresh line on what was once a declining inventory.

The Pennsylvania survey shows that while the horse may not be the source of much farm power anymore, it is certainly the source of a great deal of fun. Of the 85,000 equines in the state, about 73,000 were in the recreation category, for such things as show purposes, organized trial rides, 4-H activities, riding clubs, races, fox hunts, and weekend saddle bouncing.

At least 90 percent of the remaining 11,500 work stock were held by the Amish, a religious group still employing the horse for farming and transportation.

Because of Pennsylvania's horse and pony popularity, allied businesses have been spurred upward economically. The annual value of grain, hay, and bedding used to maintain the

dairymen, must be reviewed and again considered through a referendum every three years

horses is estimated at \$13 million and utilizes the output from 130,000 acres of cropland. An additional \$10 million is spent for black-smithing, veterinary supplies, vitamins, harnesses and other equipment, and transportation.

Much of the upswing in ownership of pleasure horses and ponies is apparently occurring off farms. The survey found that 31 percent of the owners sampled lacked facilities of their own and boarded their animals with farmers or at public stables. Ponies made up over 20 percent of the animals in the recreation class.

### Number Of Layers Up; Rate Of Lay Down

There were 3 percent more layers in Pennsylvania in September 1968 than a year ago, but rate of lay declined 3 percent from a year ago, and declined 4 percent from August 1968. Consequently, egg production is only slightly above a year ago.

Pullets added in September was 42 percent below the August figure, but cullings also declined 42 percent.

The average price received by farmers for all eggs sold in September was 22 percent above last month and 29 percent above a year ago. The last time we released a figure that high was in November 1966.

The January-August cumulative egg-type hatch is 16,727,000, 11 percent below the comparable period in 1967. For the U.S.

## Local Farmers Will Attend Agway Meeting

Twelve local farmers representing members of the Garden Spot Unit will attend the fourth annual meeting of Agway Inc., October 24-25, Syracuse, N.Y.

Kenneth Emerson, Unit Manager, said the local delegation will include: Henry Shenk, Raymond Weaver, John Campbell, Roy H. Book, Amos Rutt, Morris Zook Jr., J. Everett Kreider, Melvin Stoltzfus, Amos H. Funk, John Yost, Amos Petersheim and Samuel Beiler.

They will be among some 5,000 farmer-members of the cooperative expected to attend the session from Agway's 12-state area. Official delegates will represent Agway's 102,000 owners, all farmers.

Members will elect six farmers to the board of directors and hear reports on the cooperative's fourth year. Agway was formed in 1964 by the merger of three regional farmer cooperatives of the Northeast.

Agricultural leaders from state and national organizations are also expected to attend. The commissioners of agriculture of states served by Agway will be special guests at the meeting.

there is a decline of 12 percent from last year.

Stocks of all eggs in cold storage August 31, 1968 was 2,977,000 cases—7 percent more than a year earlier.

### Sale Register

MON. OCT. 21, 10 a.m., Valley Acres Guernsey Dispersal at the farm, located at Hellam, Pa., 7 mi. E of York on Rt. #30. In the center of Hellam turn S at the Bank on Broad Street for 1/2 mile.

TUES. OCT. 22—1 P.M. Robert L. Walters Registered Holstein Heifer Sale 4 mi. S of Oxford, just off Rt. 472, near Hickory Hill, Chester Co., Pa.

TUES. OCT. 22 — 1 P.M. Tri-State Calf Sale at Abingdon Livestock Market, Inc., Abingdon, Va.

THURS. OCT. 24 — 12:30 P.M. Public Sale of Holstein Heifers and Bulls, along Rt. 272, 3 mi. S of The Buck and 15 mi. S of Lancaster on farm #2, Lancaster County, Pa. Terms by Clair E. Kreider, owner.

FRI. OCT. 25 — 1 P.M. 14th Annual Lancaster Feeder Calf Sale and Special Fall Feeder Sale at Cattle Auction Pavilion, Lancaster Union Stock Yards.

FRI. OCT. 25 — 7 p.m. Vintage Fall Feeder Sales, Vintage Sales Stables, Inc. 10 mi E of Lancaster on Route 30.

SAT. OCT. 26 — 1:00 P.M. 8th Annual Fall Feeder Sale at Aberdeen Sales Company Live stock Auction Market, on Md. Rt. 22, 6 mi E of Bel Air, Md., and 6 mi W of Aberdeen, Md.

SAT. OCT. 26—11:30 A.M. Public Sale of Antiques Household Goods, Farm Equipment and Garden Tools, along Rawlinsville Road at the corner of Hill Rd., 3/4 mi S of Baumgardner, 2 mi. SW of Willow Street. Terms by Joseph H. Resser Sr.

TUES. OCT. 29—at Noon Ayrshire Auction, Pa. State Keystone Classic at the Guernsey Sale Barn, 6 mi. E of City along Rt. 30.

TUES. OCT. 29 — 1 P.M. 5th Hereford Steer Sale at Abingdon Livestock Market, Inc., Abingdon, Va.

TUES. OCT. 29—1 P.M. Feeder Calf Sale located in Central Virginia.

THURS. OCT. 31—1 P.M. Complete Dairy Dispersal 1 1/2 mi. W of Rt. 896 at Homeville along the Homeville and Cream Road, Chester Co., Pa. Terms by Estate of John H. Clendenin.

FRI. NOV. 1—7:30 P.M. E.S.T. Clean up sale. All kinds of cattle will be offered. Sale sponsored by W. Va., Dept. of Agriculture and the South Branch Stockyards, Inc., Moorefield, W. Va.

SAT. NOV. 9—9:30 A.M.—Complete Sellout Public Sale of Farm, Dairy Cattle, Equipment and some household goods, along Rt. 241, 5 mi. W of Elizabethtown, 1 mi. E of 441, Conoy Twp. Terms by Mrs. Willis (Bill) Shoemaker.

WED. NOV. 13—10 A.M. Public Sale of Tractors and Farm Machinery at Wenger's Farm Machinery, Inc., So. Race St., Myerstown, Pa.

SAT. MAR. 1—Another All Day Community - Farm Sale at Georgetown on Rt. 896, 6 mi. SE of Strasburg. Sponsored by Bart Twp. Fire Co. (Watch for large ad.)

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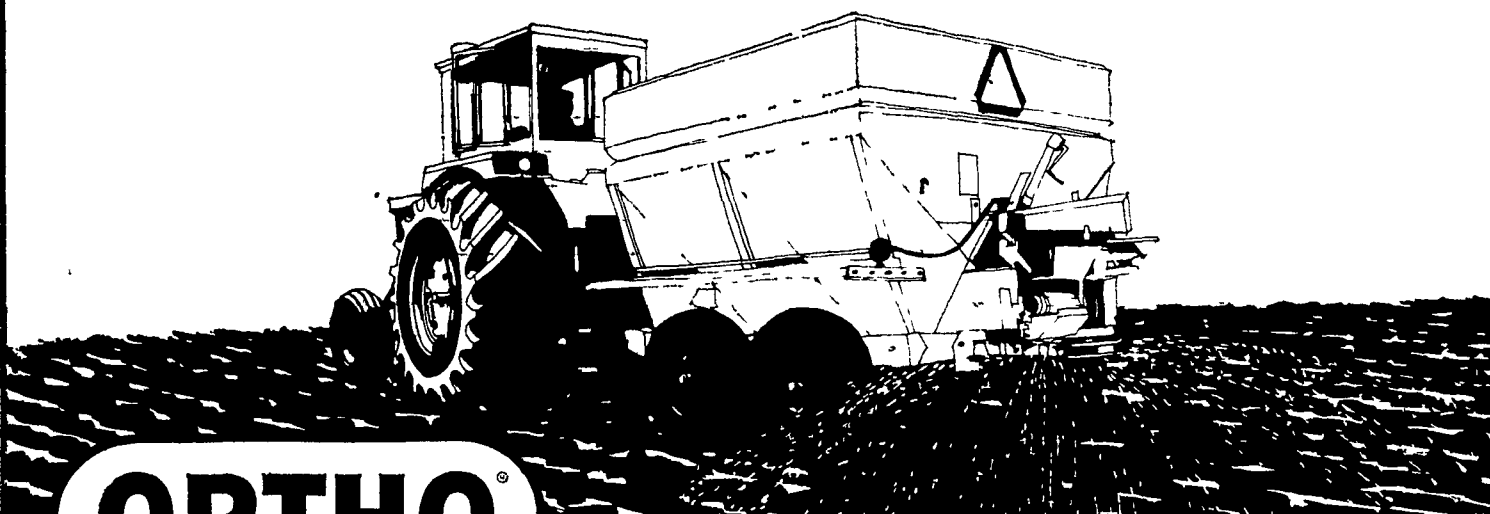
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