

## Five Percenters - Beware

"The five percent increase in egg-type chick hatch—101 June—based on eggs in incubators June 1—should be a red flag to this nation's egg producers," warns Jerry Faulkner, manager of United Egg Producers. "This would be a second consecutive month with the hatch greater than last year and would make the hatch for the first 6 months up 2%," added Faulkner.

The Poultry Survey Committee recently forecast a last half chick hatch of 5 to 7 percent above last year. For many years the last half hatch was no substantial part of the total. But increasing egg farm commercialization has changed this. Last year the last half hatch accounted for 45 percent of all egg-type chicks hatched. An increase of the magnitude forecast would add another 10 to 15 million chicks—and a like increase in the laying flock between January and June.

"The restraint shown by this nation's commercial egg producers the first 6 months has been unprecedented. It is reflected in the Survey Committee upping their expected egg price by about one cent for the next quarter—over their March forecast. And while the October-December forecast is increased by one cent to 34-35 cents, this may

merely mean shifting the troubled times," added the USP manager.

Egg production surpassed the preceding year in May. This was not expected before late summer or early fall. It is now expected that there will be more eggs each month for the balance of 1969. And if the fall hatch is increased by 5 to 7 percent, egg production should be above the same month of the previous year for all of 1970.

The U.S. average farm egg price which averaged 32.9c per dozen for the calendar year of 1968 will average about 33c per dozen for the first 6 months of 1969 and according to the Poultry Survey expectations for the balance of 1969, will average 33.5c per dozen for all of 1969.

This mythical U.S. average is for all eggs and does include hatching eggs as well as eggs sold at retail at home. It is difficult to translate this into a price for any given geographic location, but some of the committee members use a price of 10% less as being representative of U.S. Grade A Large.

The restraint of January through April now promises to spill over into what could be an unprecedented late hatch. This can only spell trouble in the egg market.



### PENN WILLOWS by Eric Eshleman

The Penn Willows 4-H Club sponsored a Clean-up Day on Friday, June 27. Sixteen eager youths and one adult, Mrs. Robert Martin, participated. Trucks were provided by Conestoga and Pequea Townships. Two truck loads of trash were collected through Conestoga and Pequea Townships.

Following the clean-up the group had lunch at the home of Mrs. H. J. Bieneisen.

### Elm-Pemryn By Cindy Shelly

The Elm-Pemryn 4-H Club meeting was held July 7 at the Pemryn Fire Hall. This was parents night and the members brought their parents to the meeting and were served a lunch by the club members.

For the August meeting the members, parents and club leaders will tour all the members projects. On August 21 the club will display their projects at the Farm and Home Center in Lancaster.

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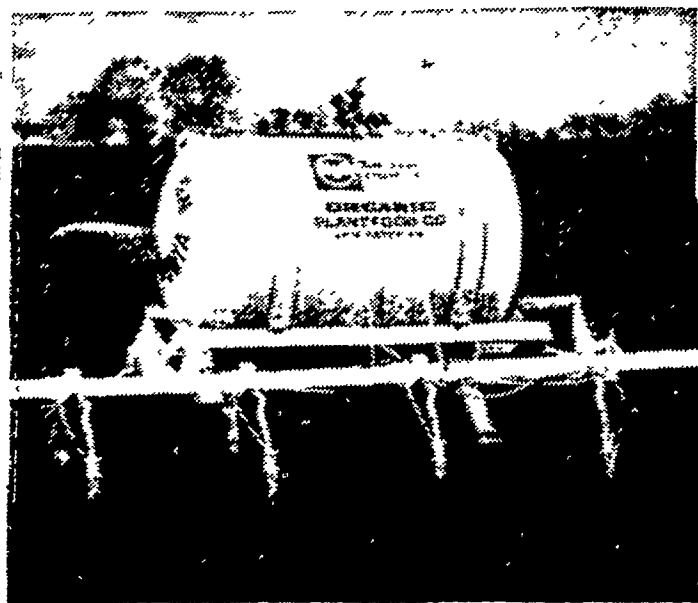
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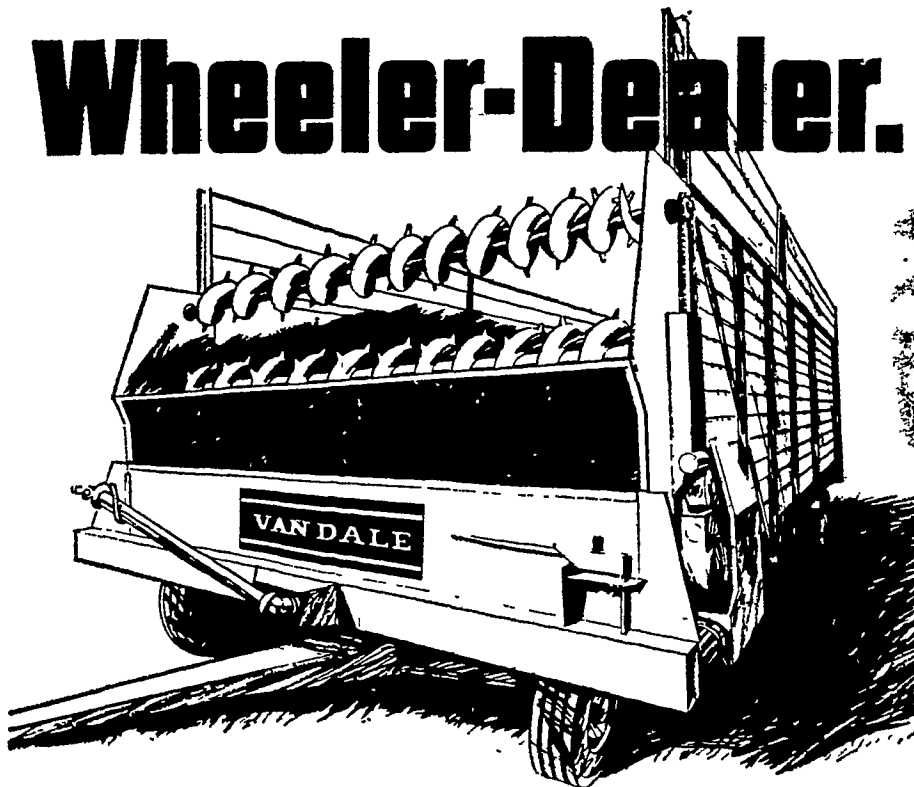
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