

National Farmers Union Calls For Export Certificates

Members of the National Farmers Union Executive Committee meeting in Denver said the need for an export certificate to the United States wheat farmers has become imperative as a result of the movement of the United States into the international wheat war.

The price cutting, plus a reduction in acreage allotments could reduce income to the point of bankruptcy for many of our wheat farmers. The most feasible way to replace reduced income is through export certificates.

The members expressed grave concern because the United States is engaging in this price war. They said, "This will not benefit the price received by U.S. farmers, and can only damage trade relations with other wheat exporting countries." The members of the NFU Ex-

ecutive Committee called for the United States to

1. Cease price cutting;
2. Provide export certificates to U.S. growers to compensate them for disastrously low world prices.

Further, the NFU Executive Committee will urge President Nixon to call a meeting of the International Grains Arrangement (IGA) member nations and other wheat exporting nations to

1. Resolve price differences.
2. Avoid dumping of wheat in world trade.
3. Preval on exporting nations to make a cutback in wheat production comparable to that being made in the United States.

Only through the immediate action of the United States to take the leadership in solving world wheat surplus over the conference table can the wheat farmers of the world be saved from financial disaster.

More Turkeys In Penna. This Year

Indications are 1,987,000 turkeys will be raised in Pennsylvania this year, 23 percent more than in 1968, but one percent less than the 1967 crop. This would be the second largest crop in the Commonwealth since 1956.

Broken down, it is estimated 1,731,000 heavy breed birds will be raised — 29 percent more than last year, and 2 percent less than in 1967. This is the second largest crop raised in 11 years.

Light breed birds will make up the balance of 256,000 birds, 5 percent less than last year, but 6 percent more than in 1967.

The nation's interstate highway system, about two-thirds completed, accounted for 1 percent of the nation's street and highway mileage last year, but carried almost 18 percent of the total traffic.



Dennis Ginder, of Manheim R2, shows his grand champion pig of the Lancaster County 4-H Pig Roundup and sale Tuesday.

Dennis Ginder

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Buckwalter also had the Yorkshire champion which was sold for 31.5 cents per pound.

Winning the most honors was Eugene Bollinger, of Ephrata, who took four of the top 10 first places.

Bollinger won firsts in Reserve Pen of 10, Duroc champion, Hampshire champion, and Spotted Poland champion.

Other top winners were Kerry Boyd, champion Pen of 10, Wesley Geiber, Berkshire champ, David J. Landis, Landrace champion, and Marlin Bollinger, Poland China champion.

Sales Total \$9,556
Sales this year totaled \$9,556, mostly within this range, running from 195 pounds for the reserve champion and Landrace \$6,055, or an average of 21.38 cents per pound.

The grand champion was sold last year for 159.72, or 71 cents per pound.

The 28.34 cents per pound this year was about two cents per pound more than the general market price Tuesday.

A total of 158 pigs was entered by 40 youths. Last year 35 youngsters entered 140 pigs.

The highest price paid for an animal outside of the champions was 29.5 cents per pound for two 230-pound animals. The lowest price was 24.75 for a 150 pound pig.

On the average, highest prices went to pigs between 210 and 230 pounds.

The champion animals fell from 195 pounds for the reserve champion and Landrace champion to 240 for the Yorkshire champ.



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