

Pa. Moves to Phase IV In Hog Cholera Program

Pennsylvania recently became the 33rd State to reach the final Phase of the nationwide campaign to eradicate hog cholera, according to State and Federal veterinary officials.

Of the 33 States which have reached Phase IV, 17 of these — Alaska, California, Florida, Idaho, Kentucky, Michigan, Montana, Nevada, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Vermont, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming — have already been declared "Hog Cholera Free." The others in Phase IV are Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut,

Delaware, Georgia, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, New Jersey, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Tennessee. All States are now enrolled in the campaign to eradicate hog cholera.

aid the effort to wipe out hog cholera in Pennsylvania by reporting any illness suspicious of hog cholera to their veterinarian at once "Prompt reporting," they say, "means that we can get on top of an outbreak and stamp it out before it has a chance to spread."

No State remains in the first, or preparatory, phase; only three remain in Phase II; and 14 States and Puerto Rico are in Phase III.

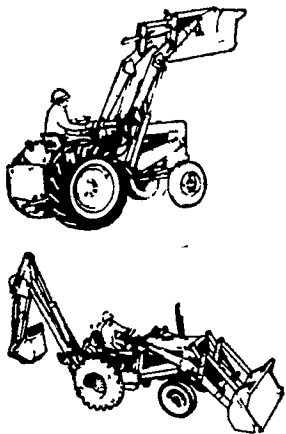
Pennsylvania entered the Program in June 1964, moved to Phase II June 1965, and reached Phase III in January 1968.

Dr. Shook and Dr. Mainwaring point out that producers can

Indemnities for hog cholera, they say, should be an aid in locating and wiping out hog cholera outbreaks. "By eliminating infected hogs in a hurry, we are helping protect the vast majority of Pennsylvania producers who have healthy pigs," the veterinarians say.

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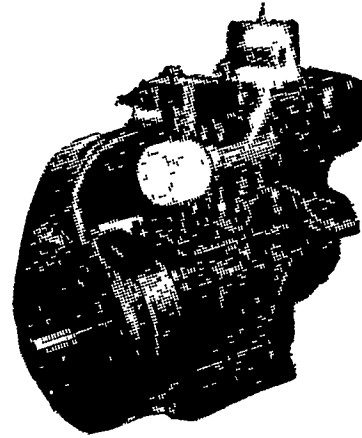
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