

USDA Egg Market Continues, Changes Made

Some changes, particularly in Chicago reports, will be made in the U.S. Department of Agriculture's egg market news reports but they will not be discontinued.

United Egg Producers, a nationwide cooperative of egg producers and marketers, had asked USDA to modify its market news reports, and in March USDA asked for comments on UEP's proposal.

As a result of approximately 1,100 comments on the proposal and a thorough study on the egg

market news reports by USDA's Consumer and Marketing Service, which conducts the market news program, the following changes will become effective July 6, 1971.

In Chicago, the wholesale daily report will be replaced by twice-a-week reports on Wednesday and Friday since the volume of loose eggs handled in Chicago is not always sufficient to issue a valid daily report on all grades and sizes. The price range will be narrowed by eliminating the extremes when it is obvious that

such prices are out of line with the normal market. The weighted average price will continue to be reported but only twice a week rather than daily.

In New York City, there is sufficient volume of product handled daily to warrant continuing the daily wholesale price report. The full range will be narrowed by eliminating the extremes, and the "mostly" report will be continued.

The daily report of cartoned egg prices will be continued in all markets. However, extremes in the reported range will be eliminated.

Market condition reports will be continued.

These changes with further details were scheduled for publication in the Federal Register May 29, 1971.

Tree Seedling Prices Up

Tree seedlings grown and sold by the Bureau of Forestry, Department of Environmental Resources, have increased in price from \$6 per thousand to \$10 per thousand, because of increased nursery production costs.

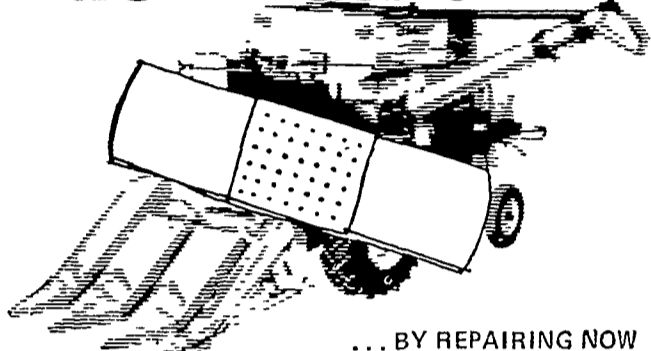
Hybrid poplar cuttings which were formerly \$15 per thousand have been increased to \$25 per thousand. Delivery charges for hybrid poplar cuttings, and seedlings of \$1 per thousand for transportation to each county distribution point remains unchanged.

Tree seedlings and hybrid poplar cuttings are distributed by the Bureau of Forestry in the spring only when better survival and early growth is obtained. Orders are for a minimum of 1,000 seedlings or 500 hybrid

poplar cuttings, and are available for purchase by Pennsylvania landowners. Under public law, these trees may be planted for watershed protection and wood products. Prohibited under the law is their use for windbreaks, ornamentals and Christmas trees.

One thousand seedlings when planted at the recommended spacing of eight feet by eight feet will occupy one and one-half acres of ground. Application forms and tree lists can be obtained beginning this fall from any of the 20 district foresters offices, or directly from the Nursery Office, Department of Environmental Resources, Box 1467, Harrisburg, Pa., 17120. Applications should be received no later than March 1, 1972, for processing.

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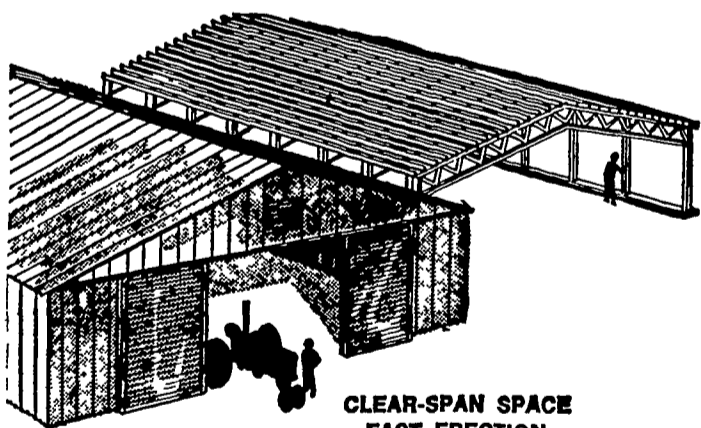
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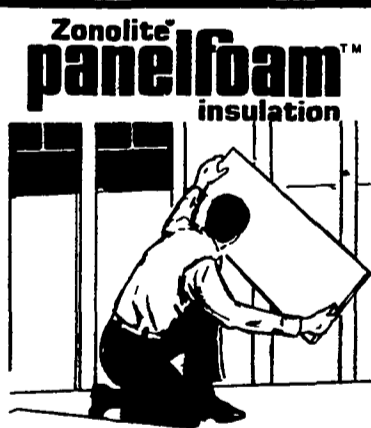


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