

Penn Central Reduces Long Haul Corn Rates

The Penn Central Railroad has independently announced a rate reduction on its three-car multiple scale rates on corn for mileages over 600 "to foster the development of the poultry, egg and livestock industry in the Eastern territory."

The new rates represent a reduction of about \$2.00 a ton for mileages over 600.

Examples of the present single car rate and the proposed

multi-car rate are as follows: from Toledo, Ohio, to Lancaster, from \$9.10 to \$7.40; to Hightstown, N.J., reduced from 10.70 to 8.70; to Worcester, Mass., 11.80 to 9.80, and Augusta, Maine, 14.00 to 12.00.

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Shropshire Official Explains Kit

Douglas Chambers, president of the American Shropshire Registry Association, recently lauded the Penn-Mar Shropshire Breeders Club's Loin Eye Improvement Kit.

In a letter to club members, Chambers said, "This is absolutely one of the finest ideas I've heard of, and 'knocks into a cocked hat' the biggest albis usually given for not taking part in carcass programs; namely, it is too complex or no way to get cut-out information."

Chambers went on to say that not only does the Loin-Eye Improvement Kit make this key measurement available to any sincerely interested breeder, but just as important, it promotes the sale, through local channels, of premium fresh lamb.

With the Penn-Mar Loin-Eye Improvement Kit, Chambers claims that the most remotely located producer can begin getting carcass data. "It would be my opinion," he states, "that once started, the breeder will quickly see the potential for using this information for genetic flock im-

provement and start the formal certification program."

"Top carcasses," Chambers says, "come from the kind of live sheep that make the producer the best financial returns. This kind of sheep, because they frequently are weak-pastured, course-shouldered, longer-necked, looser-fleeced, hard feeling, 'fiery-headed' and restless and difficult to hold have not won in shows, particularly as lambs, so we've gone to the tyrier, lighter, smoother (fat), denser fleeced, slower growing, more docile strains to win our ribbons and hence, fame as successful breeders!"

Chambers agrees with the Penn-Mar Club's "Thoughts on Selecting" which appear in their Loin-Eye Improvement Kit. "If

we as Shropshire breeders," he says, "identify and then breed in the strains with consumer preferred lamb chops, along with the many other wonderful traits that once made Shrops predominant, twinning, easy lambing, low mortality, easy keeping, longevity, etc., this breed will re-emerge at the top of the list."

The Penn-Mar Shropshire Breeders' Loin-Eye Improvement Kit is available to any Shropshire breeder for one dollar to cover costs and handling. Inquiries about the kit should be addressed to Mrs. Warn G. Menhennett, Club Secretary, Cochranville RD1, Pennsylvania 19330.

Douglas Chambers operates a large commercial and purebred flock near Salem, Oregon.

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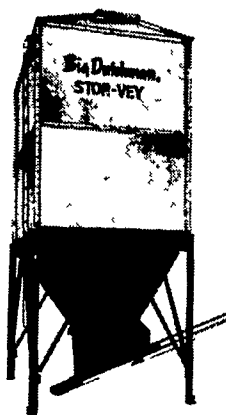
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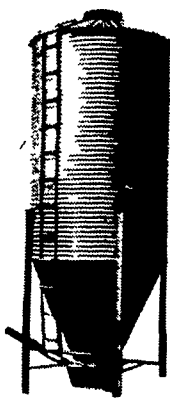
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