

Hog Cholera Continues Sharp Decline

The sharp decline in hog cholera incidence noted in recent months continued through August, with infection diagnosed in only three herds, the US Department of Agriculture reported recently.

Hog cholera was diagnosed in Puerto Rican swine herds on August 2, 26, 30. The animals

were promptly destroyed to prevent infection spread. The entire Commonwealth is under Federal hog cholera quarantine that restricts swine movement, according to officials of USDA's Agricultural Research Service.

Last year, there were 67 infected herds in August, and 168

in August 1969, ARS officials said. From January 1 through August 31, 1971, there have been 106 infected herds compared with 500 for the same period last year. There were only 10 infected herds from June through August 1971, a drop from 228 during the same period last year.

ARS officials said the trend is heartening but the continued reporting of suspected cases is needed to meet the goal of a hog cholera-free United States by December 1972.

North Carolina, which had accounted for nearly 25 per cent of all hog cholera cases in the country from January 1 to June 1, 1971, advanced to Phase IV of the four-phase program September 1.

There are now 46 States in which no hog cholera is known to exist — including 23 States officially classified hog cholera-free. Only four States are still actively engaged in Phase III, stamping out hog cholera.

Dropping hog cholera vaccine as a control measure in 1969 was the turning point in the program to eradicate hog cholera, according to ARS officials. Vaccines actually contribute to hog cholera outbreaks by masking disease or serving as a source of infection itself, they said.

Symbolic Pelican

In religious symbolism, the pelican represents the Body and Blood of Christ, and of His atoning sacrifice, because it was popularly believed to feed its young with its blood.

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Tractor Pulling Contest Rules

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- 1 Contest is open to farm tractors with rubber tires. No dual tires, chains, or steel wheels permitted. No four-wheel drive tractors allowed.
- 2 Contest to be governed by judge(s) whose decision shall be final. Judge(s) has the right to stop or disqualify any tractor that is not being operated in a safe and controlled manner.
- 3 A tractor may be entered in more than one class, but only once in each class.
- 4 Contest is limited to stock block tractors.
- 5 Classes will be determined on basis of weight (including operator) as follows:
 - Under 5000 Lbs.
 - Under 7000 Lbs.
 - 7,000 Lb Modified V8 Class
 - Under 9000 Lbs and maximum speed 4 MPH
 - Under 9000 Lbs.
 - Under 12000 Lbs.
 - Under 15000 Lbs.
 - Under 18000 Lbs.
 A minimum of four tractors are required to make a class.
- 6 Maximum pulling speed will be 8 MPH, except as noted above, and will be regulated by a pace tractor.
- 7 Entrance fee of \$5.00 will be charged for each class. Prize money will be awarded to first four places in each class, the amount of prize money to depend on number of entries in the class.
- 8 Drawbar length shall be 18 inches minimum from center of rear axle to point of hook. Drawbar must be stationary in all directions. Maximum drawbar height 20 inches from upper surface of hitch to the ground.
- 9 Drawbar must be equipped with a hitching device or clevis not more than 1 inch in thickness nor less than 3 inches inside diameter. Pulling point may not be more than 1½ inches from back edge of the hitching device. Tractors shall not pull from two point or three point hitching mechanisms.
- 10 Wheel and/or frame weights must be safely secured to the tractor.
- 11 The length of the hitch chain on the sled is 38 inches as measured from the point of contact of the hook to the hitching device rearward to the point of connection to the sled.
- 12 The use of torque converters, automatic shifts, etc will be permitted.
- 13 Operators must remain seated when pulling and have at least one hand on the steering wheel.
- 14 All pulls will start from a tight hitch. No jerking is permitted.
- 15 Tractor must be stopped immediately upon signal from the judge.
- 16 Tractor and sled must remain within the boundaries of the contest course during the pull.
- 17 Only one pull is allowed each contestant unless a tie is declared. However, should a contestant stall or have an operational difficulty and stop his tractor within 50 feet of the start line, he shall be eligible to return to the start line for an additional pull.
- 18 The pull shall be considered over when the forward motion of the sled stops. The judge will hold hold-digging to a minimum.
- 19 No pressurized tanks will be allowed except for LP fueled tractors.
- 20 Engine exhaust must be discharged upward vertically above the highest point of the tractor. Pipes must be securely attached. Rain caps must be removed.
- 21 All tractors must be equipped with a hood and fan shrouding.

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1. Weight class will be:
 - Under 800 Lbs.
 - Under 1000 Lbs.
 - Under 1200 Lbs.
 Weight includes driver.
2. Maximum drawbar height shall be 10 inches from the top of the hitching device to the ground.
3. Entrance fee is \$1.00.

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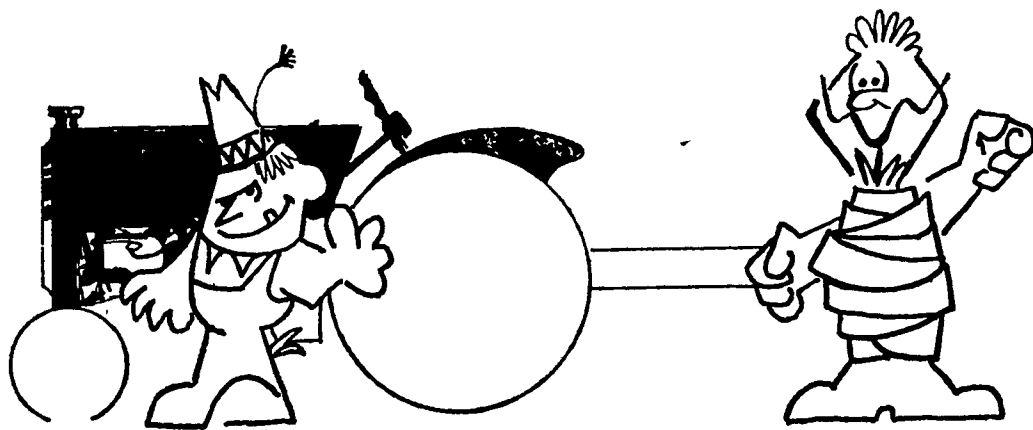
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