

Poultry Federation Requests Changes in Egg Inspection

At the March meeting of the Pennsylvania Poultry Federation board of directors meeting, a resolution was adopted requesting changes in egg inspection regulations which would make it possible for Pennsylvania "egg break-out operators" to continue the production of liquid eggs without having to make capital investments that are prohibitive.

The present setup requires very large investment of equipment, which does not necessarily contribute to improving the wholesomeness of the product.

The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture had licensed 45 "break-out" operations, which were periodically inspected and samples checked for bacteria count and wholesomeness. There was not a single sample taken that would be in violation with the standards established by the USDA. Unless the present regulation is revised, there will only be six "break-out" operations for the entire state of Pennsylvania.

The board of directors resolution requests the USDA to change this regulation so that the operators that have been producing good liquid eggs, under the Pennsylvania licensed program, can continue their operation. Copies of the resolution were sent to all of the members of the Agricultural Committees in both the Senate and the House of Representatives, as well as to the two Pennsylvania Senators, all of the Pennsylvania Representatives

and to Secretary of Agriculture Dr. Earl Butz.

NEPPCO is also contacting people in Washington, asking for help in preserving the "family type operation." The USDA officials have stated that they have a sincere desire in maintaining the "family type operation", which has been the backbone of our food and fiber system. However, the regulations are contradicting this philosophy.

The egg and poultry industry are not alone in being confronted with these new regulations. A series of meetings are being held throughout Pennsylvania by the red meat industry. The number of local meat processors are down to approximately 600, which is only about half of the number that were licensed one year ago.

The new Pennsylvania budget has not made any provisions for an appropriation for a meat inspection program. Various agricultural groups have been testifying at the appropriation hearings, asking for the Pennsylvania inspection system to be continued. The elimination of all of the country butchers will disrupt the Pennsylvania livestock industry, since a large number of hogs and cattle were sold directly to the small country slaughtering plants. It will also eliminate the livestock auction system.

The end result will be additional costs in transportation in the marketing of the cattle; additional transportation of processing meats and high costs to the consumer.

The latest word from Capitol Hill is that the Governor is giving consideration in reinstating funds into the budget, so that the Pennsylvania meat inspection service can be continued.

The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture will dedicate the new Random Sample Pullet Growing House on May 23, located on the Penn State College of Agriculture farms west of Pine Grove Mills. Prior to the dedication there will be a tour of the Penn State Poultry Research facilities.

The Northern Lebanon High School, Fredericksburg, is the site for the Pennsylvania "cook off" contest. The National Broiler council will stage their National Cooking Contest in Birmingham, Ala., May 20.

Over 300 recipes have been submitted from Pennsylvania to

the National Cooking Committee. The top 10 recipes have been selected by the National Cooking Committee and these 10 finalists will be competing April 29 (today) to determine which contestant will represent Pennsylvania in the National Contest. A panel of three judges will select the winner. The announcement of the winner of the grand prize (a trip to the National Contest) will

be made at the luncheon immediately following the contest.

The Northern Lebanon High School is located along U.S. Route 22, approximately one mile west of Fredericksburg.

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