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**Peifer, Raffensperger  
Promoted by Pennfield**

Martin E. Peifer and Fred C. Raffensperger have been promoted by L. M. Sheaffer Company, Pennfield Corporation's Egg Division. The promotions were announced by Ray Sheaffer, Egg Division processing manager.

Peifer has been named processing plant supervisor for the division. The former assistant supervisor will now be responsible for overall superintendence of the processing labor force. Production scheduling, quality and inventory control will fall under his jurisdiction.

Prior to joining Pennfield, the Lancaster Mennonite School graduate was distribution and hatchery manager for Indian River Poultry Farm. Before that, he was self-employed on his father's farm. Peifer resides in Lititz, RD3 with his wife and four children.

Fred C. Raffensperger has



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assumed the post of assistant town egg plant processing supervisor. He will assist Peifer.

Before his promotion, Raffensperger was a sales representative for Pennfield. Prior to that, he owned and operated a farm in Biglerville. Raffensperger and his family reside in Biglerville and plan to relocate in Ephrata next spring.



Martin E. Peifer

**Potato Crop Shows  
Higher Yield in '73**

The commercial potato crop in Pennsylvania totaled 6 million hundredweight (cwt.) this year, according to the Crop Reporting Service. This is an 18-percent increase from last year's crop.

Acreage harvested was 30,000 both years, so all of the increase in production came about because of higher yield per acre. Average yield was 200 cwt. per acre in 1973, and 170 cwt. in 1972.

The United States 1973 fall crop production forecast of 252.0 million cwt. is up one percent from the 248.8 million cwt. harvested in 1972 but down five percent from the 1971 production of 266.7 million.

The 1973 crop was harvested from 1.07 million acres, five percent more than 1972 but five percent below 1971 acreage. The 1973 average yield per acre is below a year ago in all three major producing regions of the United States, offsetting most of the increase in acreage this year. The U.S. average yield at 236 cwt., compares with 246 cwt. in 1972 and 238 cwt. in 1971.

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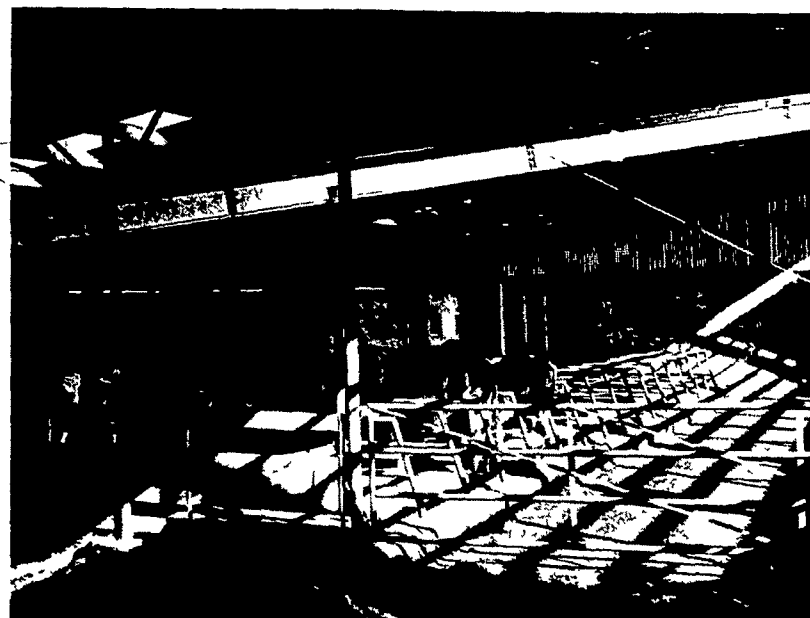


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