

Dairy Inspection and Grading Fees Raised

Effective January 6, hourly rates for dairy products inspection and grading and laboratory services were raised by an average of 10 percent to offset higher labor and operating costs. USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) said the new hourly rates for most dairy products inspection and grading services will be \$13.20 between 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., and \$14.52 between 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. Current rates for these time periods are \$12.00 and \$13.20 per hour. Charges for continuous

nonresident service will be increased from the present \$14.20 per hour to \$15.60 between 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., and from \$15.40 to \$16.92 between 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.

The new charge for laboratory service will be \$14.30 per hour, or \$1.30 above present fees. Similarly, charges for individual laboratory tests will be boosted an average of 10 percent.

Under guidelines set by the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, grading fees are to be reasonable and, as nearly as possible, to cover costs. AMS officials, who supervise the voluntary dairy inspection and grading service, expect the rate increases to bring revenue income reasonably in line with fixed operating costs and wages.

Publication of the new

rules is set for the Jan. 4 Federal Register.

Moore is High Fruit Salesman

During the month of December, the Owen J. Roberts Chapter of Future Farmers of America sold over 1,100 crates of oranges, grapefruit and tangeloes. The fruit was ordered through the Seald Sweet Growers, of Florida.

Over all high salesman was Jay Moore, high salesman for the senior class was Tom Mowrer, high salesman for the junior class was Jay Moore, for the sophomore class, David Moore, and for the freshman, Mark Mitchell. The high salesmen were awarded a free crate of fruit of their choice.

Education on Smoking and Health Week Set

A list of suggestions for non-smokers to follow in a daily attempt to make smokers conscious of the non smokers' rights was released recently by Dr. Charles L. Leedham, Chairman of the Pennsylvania Committee on Smoking and the Health of Youth.

The release of this action plan for non-smokers, as well as a Non-Smokers' Bill of Rights, is one of the Committee's activities in cooperation with the National Interagency Council on Smoking and Health in support of Education on Smoking and Health Week in the Commonwealth, January 11-17, according to Dr. Leedham who is also Director of the State Health

Department's Bureau of Health Education.

The Committee, which each year spearheads the observance of Smoking and Health Week, is a state level interagency council that provides leadership and coordination in a statewide, year-round educational effort on the effects of smoking and health. The 1974 Education on Smoking and Health Week theme is "Non-Smokers Have Rights, Too."

The three basic tenets of the Non-Smokers' Bill of Rights are: the right to breathe clean air, the right to firmly but politely speak out their discomfort and adverse reactions and the right to act through legitimate means to prevent or discourage smokers from polluting the atmosphere.

Youth Oriented Courses Aid Penn State Ag Enrollment

The Pennsylvania State University's College of Agriculture has enjoyed a dramatic increase in enrollment this year. The increase has outstripped the overall college increase according to Donald W. Parke, executive vice president of PennAg Industries Association and a member of the Executive Committee of the College of Agriculture's Advisory Council in remarks to the semi-annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Inland Fertilizer Association in Carlisle, Penn. on January 8.

"According to reports released at a recent meeting of the Advisory Council, the enrollment in the College of Agriculture increased by 87 percent over 1970 while the increase for Penn State University as a whole was only 21 percent," Parke said. "It is thought that increase awareness of opportunities in agribusiness, a revival of interests by youth in nature and also the offering of a new environmental course by the College of Agriculture have combined to increase the enrollment. The new environmental course being offered is not to train

radicals but rather consist of difficult scientific courses to provide the future generation with a bank of talent in resource management."

The PennAg vice president also noted that alumni of the college are voluntarily sponsoring a representative who visits Pennsylvania high schools and answers questions about agriculture and agribusiness. This has probably contributed to the good response.

Pomona Grange 71 To Meet

Lancaster County Pomona Grange number 71 will hold a dinner meeting at Rhoads Restaurant, Quarryville, January 19, 7 p.m. Either Jesse Wood or Richard Maule must have reservations by January 14.

The lecturer, Mrs. Jesse Wood, will be in charge of the annual memorial service. New officers will be installed for a two-year term by Charles McCarran and his installing team.

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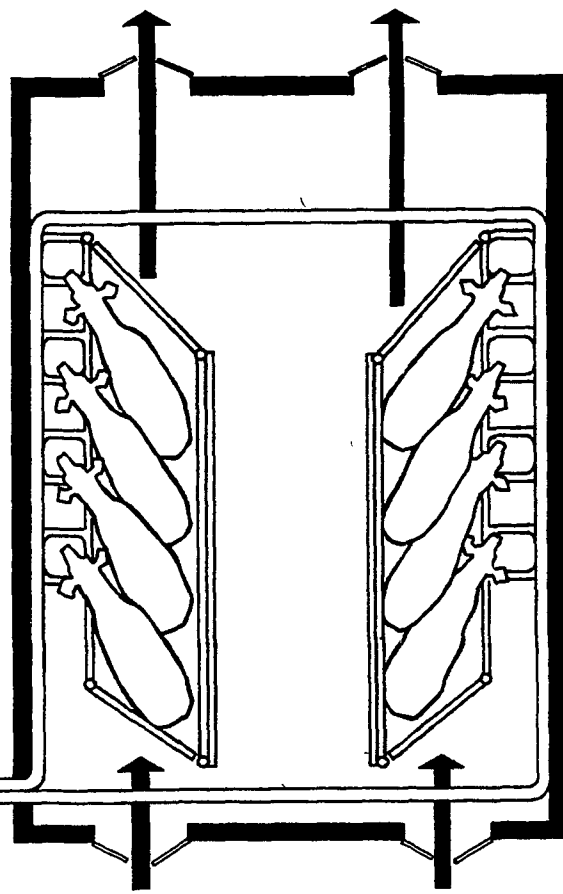
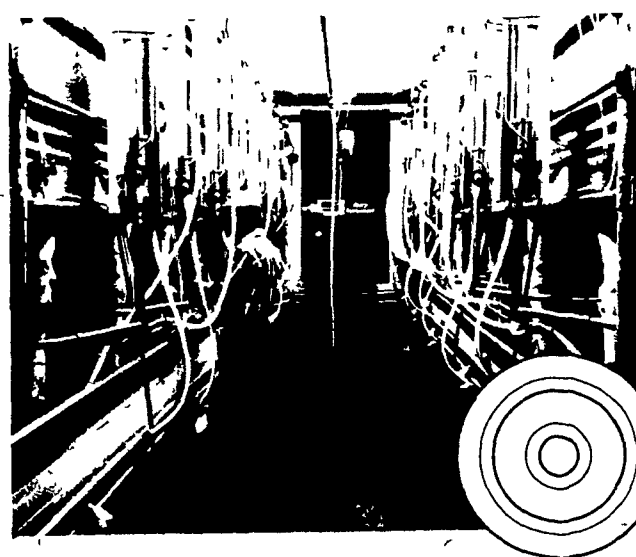
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