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tag, tattoo or other effective

means-the federal share of

indemnity would be only 50

percent of the appraised

value.

Puerto Rico are not now so designated.

In February, hog cholera was diagnosed in a single herd in Mississippi. Prior to

that case, the last infection had been reported in Indiana in June, 1973. In contrast. before the start of the cooperative state-federal eradication program in late Forty-nine states are now 1962, an estimated 5,000-6.000 classified as "hog cholera swine herds were infected free." Only Texas and with hog cholera yearly.





USDA Increases Indemnity Limit For Hog Cholera

USDA has increased the maximum indemnity payable to swine producers whose hogs must be destroyed because of hog cholera-a virus disease that affects swine only.

change in animal health regulations made it possible to pay up to \$400 for purebred and breeding swine, and up to \$200 for top quality market hogs. The previous maximums were \$200 and \$100, respectively.

USDA's Officials of Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) said the change will bring maximum permitted idemnity limits into line with current market prices-especially for the higher quality animals. Since appraisals are made at actual value, in most cases the idemnity paid does not reach the maximum level.

Under the cooperative state-federal hog cholera eradication program, hogs that must be destroyed because of hog cholera are appraised at their actual value for meat, breeding or feeding purposes. Indemnities are based on

this appraisal, up to the limits allowable. Federal and state

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of indemnity. If isolated require identification-by ear

cases occur in states classified as "hog cholera free," the federal share is 90 percent and the state's share is 10 percent. In other states. the federal share is 75 per-Effective March 22, the cent.

APHIS officials point out, however, that in order for the federal government to pay either the 90 or 75 percent of indemnities to producers, the states must require that all feeder or breeder swine shipped through markets be individually identified. This requirement enables animal health officials to trace animals back to their herds of origin should hog cholera.

be detected. In states that do not

A Spring Happening An all day bus tour will be

conducted by the **Cooperative** Extension Service on Wednesday, April 17, 1974. The tour will include a trip to downtown Philadelphia to attend "Life Style - 74" a program on revitalizing your home's decor with many ideas that you may try in your home. A leading fabric company will cooperate with Strawbridge and Clothier and the Extension Service in presenting this program. Lunch will be at the Art Museum Cafeteria. The afternoon will be spent on a guided tour of two historic houses in Fairmount Park.

Bus pick-ups at Thorndale Shopping Center, Rt. 30 by the Jamesway sign at 8:30 a.m. and the Eric Theater, Rt. 1 at 9:00 a.m. Approximate return will be 4:15 at Rt. 1 and 4:45 at the Thorndale Shopping Center.

Accomodations for the bus tour will be on first come, fisrst serve basis. The cost will be \$3.25, this does not include lunch. Registration is necessary and the deadline is April 3, 1974. Please indicate which pick up stop you will be boarding the bus. Make your check payable to and send to the Chester County Extension Service, Room 402 North Wing, Courthouse, West Chester, Pa. 19380.



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