

Pork funds okayed

DES MOINES, Iowa - The National Pork Producers Council's board of directors has approved \$47,500 in research funding for 17 pork projects to be conducted at Land Grant Universities during 1976-77, according to J. Marvin Garner, NPPC executive vice president.

The pork producer funding beginning July 1, will initiate and join federal and state funding. The USDA will continue \$420,000 funding per year for the research projects, an amount secured through the efforts of NPPC leaders in the early 1970's. Funding for 16 of the projects was approved by

the board following study and recommendations to the NPPC's Production and Research Coordination Committee. The projects are in part a continuation of research initiated by the NPPC as a result of the annual NPPC Producer Poll and evaluation of past research projects.

One project presented to the board and not the committee was on "Nitrite and the Future of Bacon" by Robert G. Cassens, University of Wisconsin. The board approved funding for the project noting the importance of the research to the pork industry.

NEW YORK - Federal supervisors will board more ships unannounced and sample grain both during and after loading as part of new efforts to reduce apparent continuing violations of the U.S. Grain Standards Act, Secretary of Agriculture Earl L. Butz announced.

Work schedules will be juggled to provide night and weekend supervision, as well as during the regular 40-hour week. In addition, 210 new employees will be hired to enlarge the federal grain supervision staff in the field, the Secretary said.

Secretary Butz said particular attention will be given to supervising the inspection of grain being loaded on board vessels for shipment overseas.

Normally, in export cases, grain samples are obtained during loading through the use of mechanical samplers located in the export elevators, according to officials in the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS).

Recently, USDA employees were authorized to

board ships unannounced and sample grain both during and after loading. Use of this procedure is being stepped up to protect the integrity of the nation's grain inspection system, the officials said.

Repeated instances of misgrading and short-weighting of export grain have been uncovered in a wide-ranging, 2-year-long federal investigation into corruption in the U.S. grain trade.

Secretary Butz said the increased supervision will be carried out by employees of the grain division of AMS, the agency responsible for administering the grain inspection system established under the U.S. Grain Standards Act.

By adjusting individual work schedules of the employees assigned to the grain division's 32 field offices across the country, federal supervision may be provided at night and on week-ends as well as during the regular 40-hour work week.

AMS officials are hiring

and training 210 new employees to enlarge the grain division field office staffs. The first group of trainees are being dispatched to their new assignments this week.

Under the provisions of the U.S. Grain Standards Act, all U.S. grain sold by grade for export must be officially inspected before leaving the country. Inspection of grain destined for domestic markets is available on a voluntary basis.

The act does not provide for original federal inspection of grain. Original inspection is performed by USDA-licensed inspection personnel who work for private or state grain inspection agencies designated by USDA to inspect grain in specific geographic areas.

USDA employees supervise the inspection activities of the licensed samplers and inspectors and perform appeal inspections when requested to do so by the buyer or seller of a lot which has been inspected by licensed inspection personnel.

Grain inspections strengthened

DRAFT HORSE & MULE SALE



WED., FEB. 18, 1976

12:00 Noon

At Sales Stables along Route 340, 2 miles East of Intercourse, 4 miles South of New Holland, Lancaster County, Pa.

One load of Mules and Draft Horses. Saddlebred Horses from Kentucky. One load of Draft Horses and Mules from Tennessee. Two pair Sorrel Mules. One pair Gray Mules. Loads of Top Horses, well broke. Also Local Horses. Mated Pairs and Single Horses.

Also Standardbred and Saddlebred Horses will be hitched at 9:00 a.m.

Notice to Consignors: Call and check as our room is limited to stabling.

Tack sale at 12:00 Noon. Horses, 1:00 p.m.

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MARTIN AUCTIONEERS

Hay, Straw and Grain Sale
Every Wednesday, 12:00 Noon.

Black & White 4-H Club meets

The Black & White 4-H Club held its meeting January 23, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Mast, Elverson.

Officers for 1976 were elected: President Lane Keen, Glenmoore; Vice-President Sandy Evans, Chester Springs; Treasurer Linda Yoder, Elverson; and Secretary Dale Keen, Glenmoore. The offices of News Reporter and song and game leader will be on a rotating basis.

Projects for the Spring Fair at Exton Mall and Kimberton Fair were discussed. The record books for our projects were gone over and explained if there were any problems. The meeting was then closed and refreshments were served by our host Mr. Lloyd Mast.

The next meeting will be held on Friday, February 13,

at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Tkazuk, Elverson at 7:30 The Hoards Dairymen cattle judging contest will be judged at this time. Everyone is most welcome at any meeting.

Dairy presence urged

HARRISBURG - Pennsylvania Agriculture Secretary Raymond J. Kerstetter last week sent a letter to President Ford asking for representation by the dairy industry on the President's newly formed national agricultural advisory committee.

The committee is expected to be influential at the GATT negotiations taking place at Geneva where decisions affecting agricultural trade between the United States

and the Common Market countries will be made.

In his letter, Kerstetter noted that in recent years large imports of subsidized dairy products from Europe undermined dairy prices at home, driving many dairy farmers out of business.

Kerstetter noted that the trend in recent trade agreements seems to be one of sacrificing the American dairy industry for the sake of our selling other commodities overseas.

"Dairying is one of our nation's great agricultural industries, doing an annual business of \$22 billion," Kerstetter wrote.

"Certainly," he continued,

"this volume of business demands a voice of its own in any consulting body to trade negotiations. Any adverse negotiations to the dairy industry would, by virtue of its magnitude, affect the general economic well being of this nation. Pennsylvania, a leading dairy state with an annual dairy farm income of \$500-million, obviously is affected by what goes on at the trade negotiating table.

"Therefore, for the sake of not only dairy farmers, but for Pennsylvania and the nation, I urge you to give the dairy industry a voice on your national agricultural advisory committee."

SPECIAL DAIRY SALE



SMOKETOWN QUALITY CATTLE SALE

Located: 5 mi. east of Lancaster, 5 mi. west of Intercourse on Rt. 340.

TUES., FEBRUARY 10, 1976 - 7 P.M.

This is a top group of young cows with size and style. There are 55 head of Purebred and Grade cows. Fresh and springing cows and first calf heifers. One load of cows out of Canada, one load out of Vermont, one load out of New Hampshire and New York state. Including some good registered animals. Sired by such bulls as: Sunny-Prairie Furry Ben; Dean Wallace Security; Tyler Farm Ormsdale Dana; Rugua Ivanhoe Fobes; Starcroft Sidney; Wenron Bill President; other purebreds not mentioned. There are 10 cows from one herd and 5 cows from one herd. They are being dispersed as they get to springing. Cows milking 60-80 lbs. Several of these cows should milk 80 to 90 lbs. Any dairyman in need of good cows should come to this sale and see for yourself. We drove hundreds of miles for this selection of cows. Good cows are hard to find. Milk is higher in price and beef cows are getting higher. Cull some and buy some.

Cows milked at regular times.

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2 Holstein Stock Bulls ready for service.

Cash or good check night of sale.

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Auctioneer:
Frank & Paul Snyder

PUBLIC SALE

FARMING IMPLEMENTS
SAT., FEB. 21, 1976

12 o'clock Noon

Located 3 miles South of Quarryville Route 222, take Blackburn Road first road left South of Solanco High School to St. Catherine Drive, first place on left, East Drumore Twp., Lanc. Co., PA.

Farming implements consist of Massey Ferguson 175 diesel tractor fully equipped (500 hrs.), Allis Chalmers D17 tractor, Massey Ferguson No. 50 gas tractor, New Holland No. 479 Haybine (new), New Holland No. 269 baler & thrower, N.H. bale wagon high sides (new), 2 Grove Bale wagons, 16 ft. flat bed wagon, 18 ft. flat bed wagon, M.F. 7 ft. mower 3 p. hookup, M.F. 3 bottom 16 in. mounted plow, Oliver 2 bottom 16 in. plow 3 p. hookup, M.F. cultivator 3 p. hookup, International 32 in. disc harrow, A.C. disc on wheels, 10 ft. International spring harrow, 10 ft. cultipacker, N.I. cut-ditioner, A.C. Forage wagon, International No. 5 flail chopper, N.H. bin wagon, Little Giant 32 Ft. elevator (new), Ford scraper blade 3 P. hookup, M.F. weeder 3 P. hookup, J.D. No. 246 corn planter 3 P. hookup, Hawk 145 bu. manure spreader, Saunders manure loader, N.I. 10 ft. fertilizer spreader, N.I. rake 3 p. hookup, Ontario grain drill, N.I. hay crimper, double tobacco ladders, Seed Easy electric grass seeder, 2 wheel dump cart, Lancaster Level Flo silage distributor, Lancaster Level Flo roof filler, Gandy Applicator, 3 DeLaval milkers - 1 extra pail, 1 stainless steel bucket, Sputnik milk porter & compressor, 3 Surge electric pulsators, Surge electric timer, bucket rack, Winco alternator 25,000 watts on cart, 2 Fry Bro. mineral feeders, 5 Fry Bro. elevated calf stalls, Stewart electric cow clippers, 3 electric fence chargers, chain hoist, 3500 tobacco lath, 2 Minnich presses, baler twine and many other articles used on a farm.

80 Ton Ear Corn

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Located six miles south of Chambersburg, Pa., one mile East of Marion, just East of Marion Exit off Rte. 81 along Rte. 914 on

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1976
Sale at 9:30 A.M.

60 TRACTORS - IND. EQUIPT. - TRUCKS

Tractors of all make and various model, John Deere, Int., Ford, Massey Ferguson, Oliver, A. C. and others, some with loaders; crawlers, backhoes, several trucks; lawn and garden tractors.

BALERS - HAYBINES - PICKERS - EQUIPT.

Balers and Haybines of all kinds, corn pickers, several combines expected, spreaders, loaders, forage and rack wagons, mowers, rakes, conditioners, drills, planters, plows, disc harrows, grinder mixers, gravity boxes, rotary mowers, posts, hardware, dairy equip. and usual run of equip., etc.

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Next Sale Thurs., March 11.
Terms: Cash; Lunch at Sales; Closed Sundays.

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