

Officers named at NEPPCO-NEMA convention

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — Three Pennsylvania residents will be part of the slate of officers and board of directors who head up the Northeastern Poultry Producers Council (NEPPCO) and the Northeast Egg Marketing Association (NEMA), it was announced recently after a joint NEPPCO-NEMA convention held here. Hendrik Wentink, Wyomissing, is treasurer for NEPPCO for the upcoming

year. Tom Trone, East Berlin, and Al Wenger, Rheems, will hold positions in NEMA. During an election at the convention, Trone was named to the board of directors and Wenger was named second vice president of the organization.

At the convention, standing-room-only crowds gathered to learn the art of hedging in the egg market, clever management tips, a variety of promotional

gimmicks to boost retail egg sales, innovative marketing techniques and the forecast for feed and eggs.

It marked the 47th annual convention for NEPPCO and its first in conjunction with NEMA.

Completing the slate of officers to head up NEPPCO for the coming year will be Richard Stark, Walpole, N.H., president; Frank Baber, Cartersville, Va., vice president; and David L.

Shetzich, Silver Spring, Md., secretary. Joining NEPPCO's board of directors are Isaac "Ike" Risser, Harrisonburg, Va., and Harry J. Muller, Syracuse, N.Y., both newly-elected to serve at-large.

NEPPCO's pension committee reported an earned interest rate of 9.3 per cent during the past year, far exceeding expectations.

NEMA's directors,

meeting separately, placed a renewed emphasis on the objectives of United Egg Producers and on a fresh drive to increase its own membership in the New England and Mid Atlantic states.

Elections were held filling five seats on the association's board of directors. Directors who will succeed themselves are Jack DeCoster, Turner, Maine; John Ricca, Billerica, Mass.,

and David Wagner, Woodridge, N.Y. Besides Trone, there was one other newly elected member to the Board - Frank Dilanna, Cranston, R. I.

Other new officers of the association are Hank Simpson, Winthrop, Maine, president; Jack Decoster, Turner, Maine, second vice president; Morris Cohen, Hollis Center, Maine, treasurer; and C. A. O'Reilly, Hightstown, N. J., secretary.

The hundreds of producers and allied industry men congregating from throughout the northeastern U.S. and eastern Canada, in addition to viewing the latest in poultry equipment and products, were given a variety of advice.

"Pseudo-science in place of research is generating costly and needless consumer and regulatory pressures on agriculture," the group was told by keynoter Allan Grant, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation. He decried "a national epidemic of idiocy stemming from the consumerist movement, regulatory overreaction, the additive issue, the Delaney amendment, the flap over cholesterol and most recently, action by the Federal Trade Commission on egg advertising."

Triple winners at Buck

THE BUCK - Deutz 9006 tractors and Lester Houck, piloting a modified Cockshutt powered by two 440 Dodge engines, came away with all but one of the first places in seven classes of competition at the Buck Tractor Pulls, here, last Saturday.

The Deutz 9006 tractors, driven by Mark and Tim Stauffer of Ephrata, won the 5000, 7000, and 9000 pound super stock classes while Houck guided his rig to victories in the 7000 pound modified class, and both open classes. Following is a run-down of the results:

7000 super stock

1. Mark Stauffer, 2. Marlin Brubaker, 3. Tim Stauffer.

7000 modified

1. Les Houck, 2. Daniel Becker, 3. Greg Manners.

9000 super stock

1. Mark Stauffer, 2. Robert Riggs, 3. Marlin Brubaker.

5000 super stock

1. Tim Stauffer, 2. Jim Brubaker, 3. Dale Smoker

9000 open

1. Les Houck, 2. Galen Spickler, 3. Greg Manners.

5000 modified

1. Gary Mills, 2. David Becker, 3. Coleman Wheatley.

12,000 open

1. Les Houck, 2. Thomas Bedgar, 3. Robert Riggs.

There are about 270 million laying hens in America, including about 20 million which lay for breeding purposes. (There were 274 million last year.) All these hens, even the heavier hens that supply Boston with the brown eggs preferred, and some strain of the standard Leghorn, four-pound Med breed.

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