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Consumers learn about meat through newspapers

CHICAGO, Ill. - Much of what each generation of home cooks and shoppers learns about meat comes out of the food section of their local newspapers. This is a fact which the National Live Stock Meat Board has been aware of since it was first established, Marie Tyler, Bismarck, N.D., told a national conference of newspaper food editors in Los Angeles recently Mrs. Tyler is Meat Board Chairman.

She told the food editors that in preparing meat information and photographs for food pages, the Meat Board is also aware that the editors and writers and food sections of the newspaper are not "fronts" for the American food industry.

"What we say about our products or about our industry, when we talk to you," Mrs. Tyler said, "can be expected to be placed under an editorial magnifying glass for assurance of accuracy perhaps to determine the extent of bias, if any. If what we say is good and true and useful to our readers, you may adapt it or use it. If it's none of these, then our reputation flakes away a little each time in your eyes."

The Meat Board Chairman stated: "When I hear talk that the American food industry or the meat industry is trying to pull the wool over the consumer's eyes on some issue or another, it troubles me deeply. That's not the industry I've been part of. I don't believe such activities are characteristic of the food industry.

"The farmers, ranchers, food processors and distribution industry people I've come in contact with other the years have been honorable people. To be sure, we have all pursued profit in our businesses. But that is an honorable pursuit,

Feeding America and feeding the world, while keeping these businesses going - and at the same time, trying to create and deliver a relative bargain in nutrition and pleasure to the consumer...that's what I see as the characteristic most outstanding about the food industry.

"And I believe that your editorial magnifying glass most often will reveal that same picture of this industry," Mrs. Tyler told the newspaper food editors from all sections of the United

Poultry processors met

HARRISBURG - The Pennsylvania Poultry Processor's Association met at the Host Farm, Lancaster, on October 19 to discuss many of the industry's problems including net weights, overflows, chlorination, acceptable quality levels, line speeds, and other matters relating to poultry processing. At the conclusion of the meeting, the president of the Processors Association, A. Eugene Bailey, of Pennfield Corporation, announced his plans to retire. An election was held and the following officers were chosen: Benjamin Burkholder, Victor F. Weaver, Inc., New Holland, president; Paul Swope, C.F. Manbeck, Inc., Fredericksburg, Vice President; E.J. Lawless, Jr. Harrisburg, secretary; and George Hauer, C.F. Manbeck, Inc., Fredericksburg, treasurer.

