

Spent hen signup tops 7 million

HARRISBURG — The cooperative spent hen signup program being conducted by the Pennsylvania Poultry Federation Egg Council and the Pennsylvania Farmers' Association now tops seven million birds.

The new total was reported by Joe Buck, of the PFA staff, and John Hoffman, executive secretary of the Poultry Federation.

Coupled with the 2.1 million birds previously in the program, PACMA's spent fowl marketing cooperative now numbers well over nine million of the state's 17 million spent hens.

Under a one-year trial program to attempt to improve the price that egg producers receive for their spent hens, the Poultry Federation has cooperated with PFA to increase the producer signup, particularly among agribusiness firms involved in the egg producing industry.

The birds are marketed through PACMA's agent, FACTS — Farmers Agricultural Cooperative Trading Society.

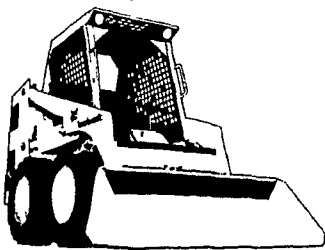
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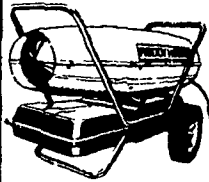
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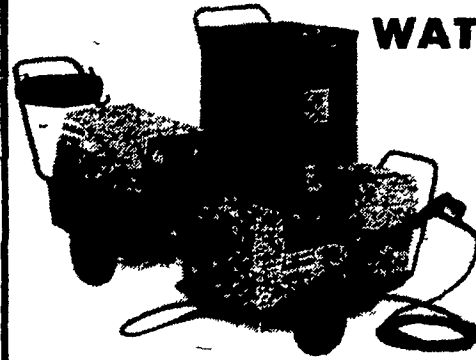


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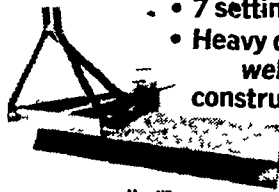
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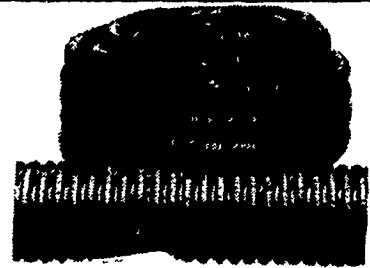
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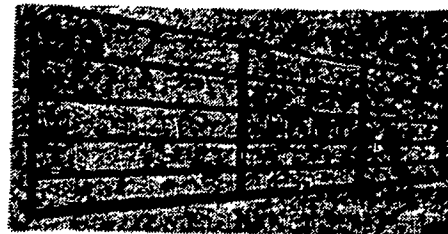
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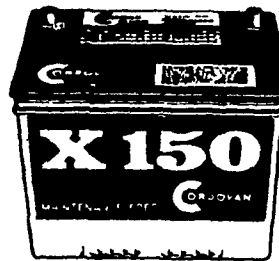
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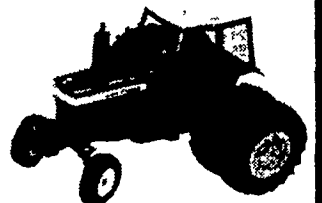
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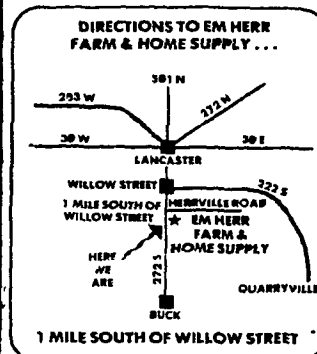
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