

# U.S. ag commodities sell to Mexico

DECATUR, Ga. — Following several meetings between United Egg Producers and the commodity Credit Corporation, \$1 billion in guarantees under CCC's Export Credit Guarantee program (GSM-102) to U.S. exporters have been authorized for sales of U.S. agricultural commodities to Mexico.

\$19.8 million of the newly authorized guarantees are now available for shell eggs in cases. Other commodity guarantees include: \$450 million for sales of feed grains (barley, corn, sorghum, and oats); \$75 million for wheat; \$247 million for oilseeds (cottonseed, soybeans, peanuts and sunflowerseed); \$38.4 million for tallow \$8.5 million for vegetable oils (cottonseed, soybean, peanut,

and sunflowerseed); \$61.5 million for protein meals (cottonseed, soybean, and sunflowerseed); and \$19.8 million for shell eggs in cases. The remaining \$99.8 million will be designated later.

Three-year coverage will be available, provided that all sales are registered and shipments completed by Sept. 30, 1983.

These new guarantees are in addition to the \$65 million authorized earlier to Mexico for sales of feed grains (barley, corn, sorghum and oats) and for vegetable oils (cottonseed, soybean, peanut, and sunflowerseed).

To be eligible for guarantees, U.S. exporters must submit an application along with a guarantee fee to CCC before export is com-

pleted. The guarantors will be Banco International, S.A., and Banco Nacional de Comercio Exterior, S.A. and/or other eligible banks.

The guarantee rates include a charge to provide for per annum interest rate coverage of up to 8 percent over the guaranteed value.

Exporters may apply for a guaranteed value up to a maximum of 98 percent of the port value.

Based on semiannual repayments of principal, plus accrued interest, the fee rate is 15.6 cents per \$100 for six months; 23.4 cents per \$100 for one year; 39.3 cents per \$100 for

two years; and 56.5 cents per \$100 for three years.

Based on equal annual repayments of principal, plus accrued interest, the fee rate is 32.9 cents per \$100 for one year; 50.1 cents per \$100 for two years; and 69.2 cents per \$100 for three years.

## York Rabbit Club holds election

YORK — The York County 4-H Rabbit Club met recently to elect the following officers: president, Steve Knisely; vice president,

Dawn Knisely; secretary, Robin Langley; treasurer, Robin Langley; historian, Julie Godfrey; newsreporter, Chad Stine;

membership, Dawn Knisely. The next meeting will be held Oct. 27 and will include a Halloween party.

## Whichway club elects officers

SPRINGTOWN — The Whichway 4-H Club met Monday, Sept. 27 to elect the following officers: president, Andrew Sutton; vice president, Bryce Keller;

secretary, Kathy Ehlman; treasurer, Blaine Keller; news reporter, Briana Keller.

The club is planning a Halloween party and hayride on Oct. 15 at the

Hottle farm at 7:30 p.m. Anyone over the age of 8 is invited.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 1 at the Springfield Elementary School.

# Pa. Grange State Session coming Oct. 25-28

HARRISBURG — Pennsylvania Democratic and Republican gubernatorial candidates have been invited to address the 110th annual meeting of the Pennsylvania State Grange in Harrisburg, Oct. 25-28, at the Scottish Rite Cathedral.

Governor Dick Thornburgh, who has made his mark on agriculture by signing 30 important agricultural bills into law during his term of office, has been invited to address the Grange's Annual Meeting Banquet on Oct. 26. Thornburgh has appeared at two previous Grange conventions, as a gubernatorial candidate in 1979, and as governor in 1981.


In keeping with its commitment to non-partisanship, the State Grange also has invited Allen Ertel, Democratic candidate for governor, to speak to members on Oct. 27.

In addition, the following state officials have agreed to speak at the Grange Session: Penrose Hollowell, Pa. Secretary of Agriculture; Peter Duncan, Pa. Secretary of Environmental Resources; Rep. Sam Hayes, House Majority Leader; and Sen. Edward Helfrick, chairman of the State Agriculture Committee.

Highlighting the 110th Session will be election of State Grange officers, a state talent contest, and finals in many state craft contests. Both the talent show and craft displays will be open to the general public (time to be announced).

Since the Grange is also a farm fraternity, the State session is the site for the presentation of the Sixth Degree or state level of achievement to its members.

The Grange has 43,000 members in 55 Pennsylvania counties and 450,000 members nationwide.



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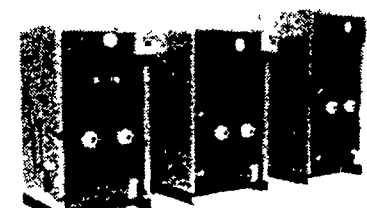
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