

Pa. Poultry Federation fund-raising banquet April 14

HARRISBURG — Pennsylvania Secretary of Agriculture Penrose Hallowell and the outstanding poultry industry men of the year will be the guests of honor at the Pennsylvania Poultry Federation's Annual Fund Raising Banquet to be held on Thursday evening, April 14, at the Hershey Convention Center.

Joining Hallowell at one of the head tables will be other Depart-

ment of Agriculture personnel including Deputy Secretaries Chester Heim and Luther Snyder; James Sumner, director of the Bureau of Markets; Dr. Max Van Buskirk, director of the Bureau of Animal Industry, John Scott, chief of the Poultry and Egg Division in the Bureau of Markets; and Suzy Cornell, Food Service specialist.

The second head table will seat the Federation's Industry men of

the year. They are: turkey - George Wentz, Harleysville, broilers - Jay Irwin, Lancaster, and eggs - Bob Bucher, Lancaster. They will be joined by Dale M. Weaver, New Holland, who is the Federation's chairman of the board.

Attendance at the banquet has more than quintupled since it was first held in 1973, and Federation officials are looking for a moderate

increase over last year's attendance. Thus far, ticket sales are ahead of last year's pace, according to Mel Mitchell and Jay Greider, banquet co-chairmen.

One reason for the optimistic

outlook is that this year's entertainment will be provided by Mel Tillis, one of the most popular country music recording artists in America.





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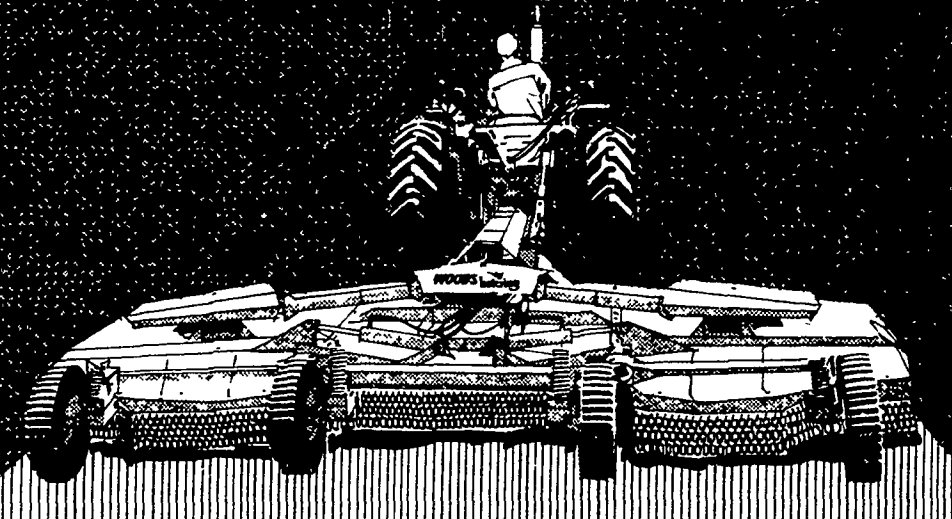
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