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animal in a cruel or inhuman manner.

The proposed bill exempts the transportation of live poultry in crates, so long as not more than 15 pounds of live poultry are allocated to each cubic foot of space in the crate.

—The bill sets limits on the amount of work that a horse, mare (?), mule, ox or any other animal may do in a day or week. The limits are 15 hours in any 24-hour period, or 90 hours in any one week.

And even if animals are worked less than those limits, that work can not violate laws against cruelty to animals.

—Persons may not knead, beat or pad the udder of any cow or allow cow to go unmilked for a period of 24 hours or more or enhance the appearance or size of the udder.

—Or may not muzzle any calf less than six weeks old to prevent its taking nourishment and thereby relieving the udder of a cow.

—Persons may not crop or cut the ears of dogs and to show cropped dogs, the cutting must be done by a

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A number of farm groups are calling for public hearings on it.

In other ag related bills, Sen. Noah Wenger has introduced a bill

vet and the owner have a certificate to this effect or a certificate of registration from a county treasurer showing the cutting was done before the bill became effective.

—Also, it would be illegal to shoot, maim or kill any antwerp or homing pigeon or detain or trap any such pigeon which carries the name of its owner.

to remove the eight percent ceiling on the stock dividends of farm cooperatives.

Wenger said that his bill, Senate Bill 471, would help cooperatives compete more effectively in financial markets so they can maintain or improve their services to farmer members.

A similar bill has been introduced in the House. At first, its dividend limits were tied to U.S. Treasury bonds, but this limitation has since been removed because current money market conditions would further impede the dividend level.

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entire tract. Only the two acres would be subject to reassessment and tax roll-back. The commercial activity would have to be operated by the landowner or his beneficiaries who are defined as Class A for inheritance tax purposes.

The amendment, contained in Senate Bill 380 passed the Senate by 48-0.

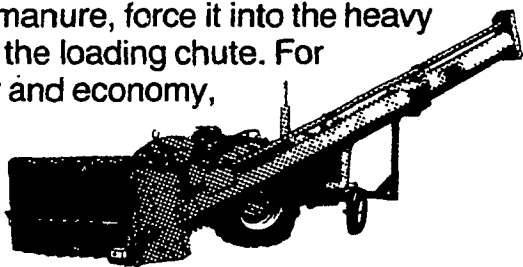
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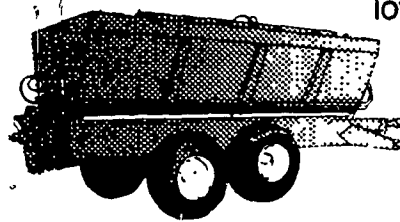
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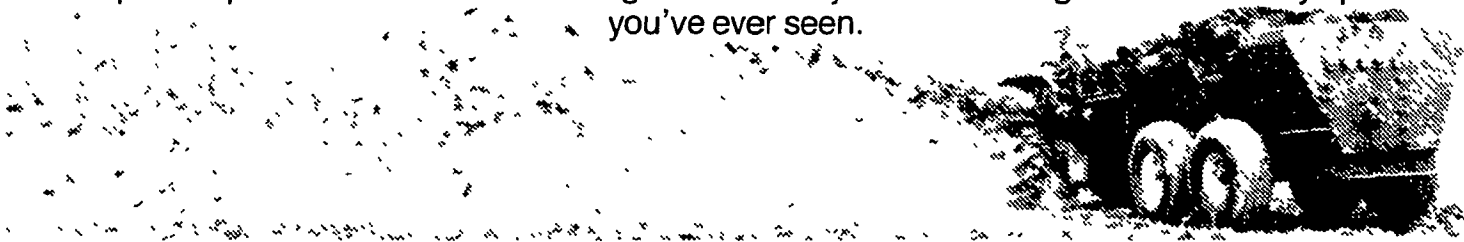
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