

## Poultry Federation

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government to make some different decisions," Eckroade pointed out.

Eckroade noted that, although birds must be injected on an individual basis, only one injection is necessary, making vaccination a possibility for broiler flocks as well as layers.

Will the University's research lead to routine avian flu vaccination? "I don't think we'll be going out and vaccinating all the birds," says Eckroade, pointing out that once a virus becomes a problem, a vaccine specific for that particular virus's serotype must be formulated. The research does show, however, that vaccination can be a very effective method for preventing disease and mortality, Eckroade concludes.

In Pennsylvania alone, the 1983-84 avian influenza epidemic was responsible for the destruction of more than 16 million birds.

The two-day Federation event featured educational seminars on Wednesday and Thursday, with the presentation of the organization's Industryman of the Year awards at Wednesday evening's Recognition and Awards Banquet.

According to the Federation's Tim Allwein, the honors go to individuals who have made the greatest contributions to the egg, broiler and turkey industries during the previous year.

Honored as this year's Egg Industryman of the Year was Glenn Smith, the recently appointed vice president and general

manager of Pennfield Corporation's Egg Division.

Smith began his career in the poultry industry following high school graduation in 1954, when he joined Indian River Poultry Farm.

Employed for a short time by Hy-Cross Company in Doylestown as their operations manager, Smith then accepted a position as general manager of Chick Sales Egg Farm in Hanover.

Smith joined Pennfield as a feed salesman in 1976, and was named sales manager of the egg division in 1978.

In addition to being recently elected vice chairman of PPF's board of directors, Smith is a past president of the Pennsylvania Egg Marketing Association, and is currently a director of Egg Clearinghouse and a member of the Pennsylvania Egg Exchange.

He currently resides in Leola with his wife, Sandy, and their three children.

Named Broiler Industryman of the Year was Paul Whipple of Farm Service, a division of AgriGeneral Corporation. A Pennsylvania native, Whipple worked as a dairy herdsman following World War II. Whipple began a career as a feed salesman in Wysox in 1950.

After serving as assistant manager of Farm Credit's Towanda office, he took a position as manager of the Lancaster Farm Credit office.

His association with the poultry industry includes a 20-year career with Pennfield's financial

management department before recently joining Farm Service.

Penn State Extension poultry specialist Herb Jordan was named this year's Turkey Industryman.

After earning his Bachelors degree at Penn State, Jordan served with the Air Force in Korea, then returned to his alma mater for graduate studies.

In his 26 years on the Extension Service's staff, he has published some 500 magazine articles, and has frequently been called upon to serve as an expert witness in litigation involving poultry producers. He also serves as advisor to the Pennsylvania Turkey Council.

The father of two children, Jordan resides in Pleasant Gap.

## Senate delays Farm Bill action

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the legislators, "and it's the Secretary's feeling there's been an erosion of support (for the dairy diversion program) within the industry."

Proposals for a whole-herd buyout, he noted, "are not well received either," but he conceded that the idea could resurface as an 11th hour compromise.

And though the secretary is pushing hard for adoption of his proposals, he's allowing the Congress some latitude in its time schedule for completing the legislation.

Block told reporters this week

that "he thinks we might be able to have a Farm Bill by Thanksgiving," Lane said. And if Congress seems to be making progress on the bill, the Administration probably will agree to another short extension, like the 45-day extension which reauthorized existing programs just before they were slated to expire Oct. 1.

A second extension of days or a few weeks probably would receive Administration support, he said. As before, however, a longer extension, for several months or a year, would be "totally unacceptable," Lane said.

## Bailey scheduled as PFU speaker

HERSHEY — State Auditor General Don Bailey will be a featured speaker at the Pennsylvania Farmers Union's 14th Annual Convention banquet, Thursday, Nov. 7 at the Hotel Hershey.

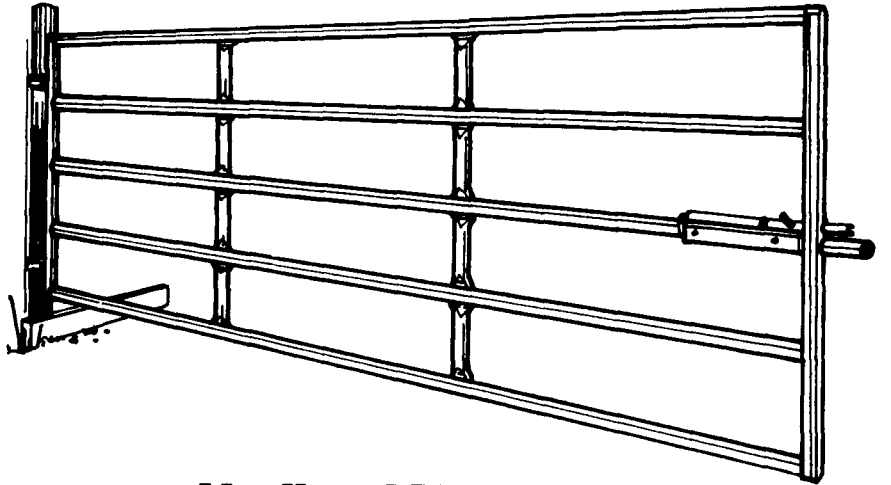
"We are quite pleased to have an elected official of Auditor General Bailey's stature to address our delegates," said PFU Executive Director Chester L. Reed. "Our theme this year is 'Your Future is Now!,' and we're sure that a man of Mr. Bailey's experience will help motivate our delegates to take

the political action needed to secure their futures."

Senator Arlen Specter is also scheduled to address the banquet, providing that the Senate is able to complete its day's agenda in Washington, D.C.

The evening will begin with a reception in the Fountain Lobby of the Hotel Hershey, at 5:00 p.m. The banquet will begin at 6:00 p.m. Non-delegates wishing to attend may reserve tickets at \$20 each by calling the state office at 1-800-932-4629.

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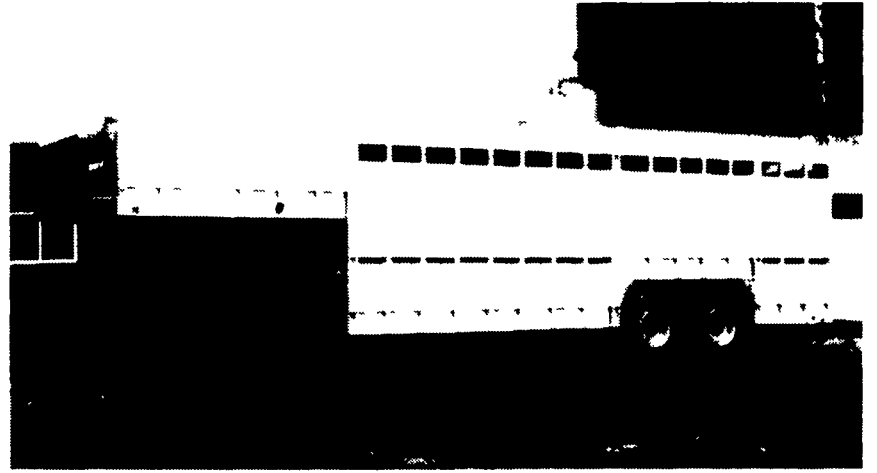
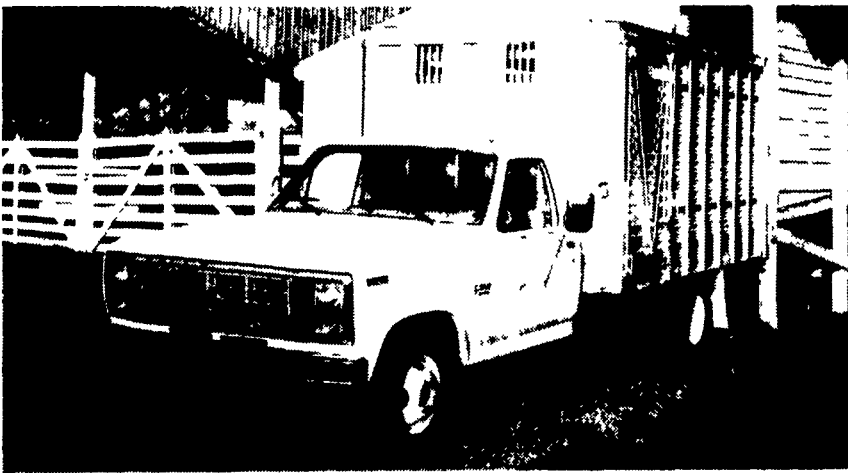


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