

Grove Named To Angus Assoc. Board

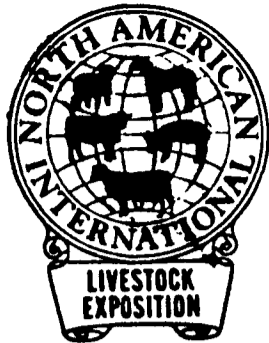
LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Angus breeders from Alaska to Florida met in Louisville, Kentucky, Nov. 17 for the 103rd Annual Meeting of the American Angus Association.

Elected president of the 30,000-member Angus breed organization was Joe Neely, Franklin, Ky. A. Harvey Lemmon, Woodbury, Georgia, was elected vice president, and five men were elected to the 15-person American Angus Association Board of Directors.

Elected to their first three-year terms on the board were Conrad Grove, Downingtown, Pa.; Joe Bill Meng, Bowling Green, Ky.; and Paul "Butch" Meier, Jackson, Mo. Re-elected to a second three-year board term were Tom Drake, Davis, Okla., and Richard Janssen, Ellsworth, Kans.

The Annual Meeting was held in conjunction with the North American International Livestock Exposition. The business of the Association was conducted by some 250 delegates elected to represent their respective states.

Conrad "Connie" Grove, Downingtown, Pa., began managing farms and acquiring Angus cattle in 1946. Since 1959 he has been manager of Devereaux Soleil Farm. It consists of 300 registered Angus cows and bull testing facilities, including pinpointing



testing for individual feed efficiency. Voted Cattleman of the Year in 1978 by the Pennsylvania Cattlemen's Association, Grove is currently president of that organization. He is a three-term president of the Pennsylvania Angus Association and is current chairman-elect of the Penn-

From Missouri Farm News Service

Tom turkeys are gaining weight so fast they literally can't stand it.

"Sometimes their legs just give out," said University of Missouri-Columbia poultry scientist Joe Vandepopuliere.

"There's something wrong with their skeletal structure."

Whatever the problem is, it only affects toms and not hens. It doesn't affect every tom, either, but the problem has been in-

sylvania Beef Council.

Joe Neely, the new Association president, purchased his first Angus cow with a heifer calf at side in 1947 as a 4-H project, and he has been a member of the American Angus Association and an Angus breeder since that time.

He and his brother, Ben operate a farm that has been in the Neely family since 1810. They farm some 1,400 acres and run a 125-cow registered Angus herd.

Harvey Lemmon, the new Association vice president from Woodbury, Georgia, has owned Angus cattle since he was 9-years-old. A native of Dublin, Virginia, he is a 1969 graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. He is the owner and operator of Lemmon Cattle Enterprises.

Turkeys Can't Stand It

creasing in recent years.

"That could be because we're putting more stress on the bird's skeleton these days," Vandepopuliere said.

"We now get toms up to 28 pounds in 18 weeks — almost two months faster than we could in 1970," Vandepopuliere said.

"Apparently, skeletal strength hasn't kept up with the bird's ability to gain weight."

Vandepopuliere isn't sure if he's

dealing with a genetic problem, a nutritional deficiency or a combination of the two.

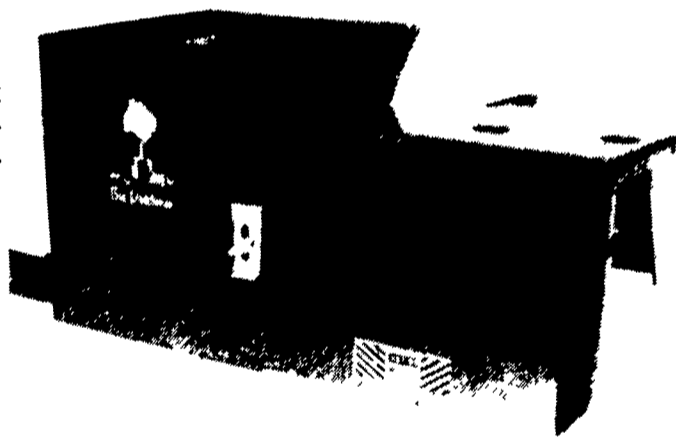
He's currently injecting vitamins and minerals into the yolk of the turkey egg as it is transferred from incubator to hatcher. That way, the young turkey absorbs the mix slowly as part of its food supply before it is hatched.

"We certainly hope this solves the problem," Vandepopuliere said.

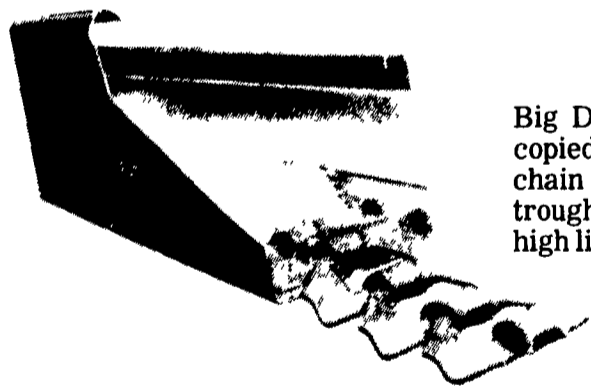
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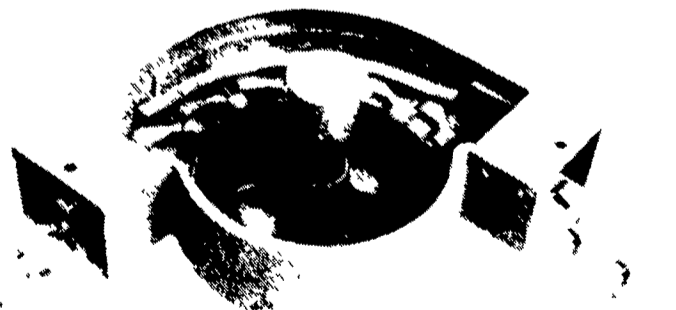
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International Committee Strives To Standardize Drug Residue Regs

WASHINGTON, D.C. — An international committee of veterinary drug experts have recommended review of several commonly used livestock drugs to establish international agreement on the safety of residues from the drugs in food products, according to a USDA official.

"The Codex Committee on Residues of Veterinary Drugs in Food has established a list of seven animal drugs for which the committee recommends international scientific review in order to reach agreement on allowable levels of residues from the drugs in foods," said Lester M. Crawford, associate administrator

of USDA's Food Safety Inspection Service and chairman of the committee. "The list includes growth-promoting hormones, the antibiotic chloramphenicol, sulfa drugs and four other classes of drugs."

Crawford said that, in compiling the list, the Codex Committee considered any substance administered to agricultural animals, including hormones and externally applied pesticides, that could leave a residue in food products such as meat, milk, eggs or fish. He said the initial list includes the seven substances which the committee believes deserve top priority, and that the committee may recommend other drugs for review at a later date.

The Codex Committee is a new group established by the Codex Alimentarius Commission, an international group of experts who work toward the adoption of common international food standards to protect consumers and promote fair trade.

Crawford said the development of the committee's list is a significant first step toward international agreement on veterinary drug issues, including the establishment of common allowable levels of veterinary drug residues in food. Currently, there exist wide variations among countries in animal drugs allowed and in the maximum residues permitted.

"Because of advances in science, we can now detect substances that are present in food in parts per billion or even parts per trillion in some cases," Crawford said. "Unfortunately, some countries use this capability to prohibit the use of certain drugs whose residues can be detected but are not likely to be harmful, while other countries may allow the entry of products containing residues of substances almost universally viewed as unsafe. There is a great need for international standardization."

New Loader Handles All Pit Manures

WEST BEND, Wisc. — Gehl Company has introduced a new manure loader designed to handle all open lagoon or pit types of manure — from heavy pit manure to totally liquid loads.

According to Brad Boncher, waste handling product manager, the new Gehl L22 can handle a very wide range of manure consistencies. "Powerful blades in the scoop break up the most crusted manure, mix it with the liquids, then deliver it to a heavy-duty auger without jamming or clogging. And, this same system will handle totally liquid loads — simply by adjusting the tractor throttle."

Features of the new L22 include powerful 28-inch mixing/loading blades to break up crusts and scoop liquid, 10-gauge steel construction for long lasting durability, and a loading auger and feed auger which are independently shear bolt protected.

In addition to the L22, Gehl's manure handling line includes a series of spreaders for any manure handling need. This line-up consists of the 100 Series Box Spreader for solid manure; the 500 Series Slurry Special for semi-solid manure; the 700 Series for liquid manure; and the 300 Series Scavenger II for solid, semi-solid, or liquid manure handling.