

Apple Harvest Set Back by Rain, Labor Shortage

Harrisburg, Nov. — Shortage of pickers, combined with late October rains, delayed the already late schedule for harvesting Pennsylvania commercial apples and caused heavy dropping of fruit in some areas, the State Department of Agriculture said today.

In Berks County many unpicked Staymans dropped to the ground after October 20 and large quantities of the slightly bruised fruits was salvaged by growers through retail sales and processing plants.

A number of Pennsylvania apple growers increased their estimates of production as harvesting neared completion. The November 1 estimate at 4,590,000 bushels represents a five per cent increase from October 1. The crop compares with 6,500,000 bushels last year and with 5,945,000 for the 10-year average.

Deer Need Good Food Supply



NOT MANY HUNTERS will get this close to a live deer during hunting season. This handsome 240-pound buck is a part of feeding tests of white-tailed deer at the Pennsylvania State University. Tests show that a good food supply affects the weight of the animal, number of points and size of the rack more than does age. Bucks fed a restricted ration, like that often found in areas over-populated with deer, are smaller and may weigh half that of well fed deer. Project leaders shown here are C. E. French and N. D. Magruder of the Agricultural Experiment Station.

Observance of two simple common sense precautions would eliminate more than 90 per cent of all hunting accidents. These are "Treat EVERY gun with the respect due a LOADED gun" and "NEVER point a gun at ANYTHING you do not want to shoot."

County Tomato Grower Honored For Record Yield

A Lancaster County Tomato Grower was honored Tuesday for producing an average 25.78 tons per acre on his three-acre plot near Elizabethtown.

A plaque marking the accomplishment — highest yield in southeastern Pennsylvania and certainly one of the highest in Pennsylvania — was given to William K. Martin, Elizabethtown R1.

Martin and nine others were cited as 110 tomato growers from this area toured the H. J. Heinz Co. processing plant at Chambersburg.

Martin's yield graded out 79 per cent U. S. No. 1 and 20 per cent No. 2.

Second best yield among county Heinz contract growers was made by Harlan M. Hoover, Elizabethtown R1, 22.72 bushels on a seven acre tract. His crop graded 73 per cent No. 1 and 25.1 per cent No. 2.

Other high yields were 22.56 tons per acre by Harold S. Brubaker, Manheim R2, on three acres; 21.8 tons per acre, by David G. Miller, Manheim R2, on 4½ acres, and 21.53 tons per acre, on 18 acres by B. Mnsner Forry, Manheim R2.

Bass Excluded in No-Fishing Rules Beginning Jan. 1

HARRISBURG — The Pennsylvania Fish Commission has further liberalized the fishing regulations for next year by providing a year round season for all warm water fishes except largemouth and smallmouth bass.

The 1957 season for bass will open Jan. 1, and will close on March 14. It will reopen June 15 and extend through March 14, 1958. Through the creel limit of six remains, the size limit has been removed.

Size and creel limit changes for the other warm water species are as follows: Walleyes, creel limit of six per day except when caught through the ice when the daily limit shall be two; the minimum size remains at 12 inches; Pickerel, the creel limit of six remains but the size limit has been reduced to 12 inches; Northern Pike, daily creel limit of six, the minimum size reduced to 12 inches; Muskellunge, size and creel limits remain the same as at present — two per day, not less than 24 inches long.

The season opening for trout will remain the traditional April 15, with the closing date set for Labor Day, Sept. 2, 1957.

Poultry

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chickens - unsettled. Offerings from all producing areas were more than sufficient for the fair demand.

Prices paid delivered warehouse Philadelphia (cents per lb.) Grade A & U. S. Grade A 2-3 lb 29-31, mostly steady. More than sufficient supplies were available for the light demand.

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Receipts Nov. 27 included other than turkeys Maryland 65,000 lbs Delaware 92,000 lbs North Carolina 45,000 lbs, South Carolina 5,000 lbs Me. 3,000 lbs, Virginia 12,000 lbs

TURKEYS

PHILADELPHIA NOV. 28 — (USDA) Frozen ready-to-cook steady Supplies light on hens 14 lb and over and on Toms with sellers inclined to hold closely Demand was good, especially for heavy Toms for storage.

Wholesale selling prices: Grade A & 7. S. Grade A qual. Fryer-roasters 48 lb 44-45, Young Hens 8-10 lb 43½-45, 10-14 lb 43½-45, 14-16 lb 44½-46, Loung Toms 16-20 lb 42½-44, 20-22 lb 42½-44, 22-26 lb 42½-44½, 26-28 lb 44-45½ 28 lb up 46½-49.

The number of deer that died of malnutrition because of over-browsed forest areas in Pennsylvania last winter has been determined at about 2500. This is a reasonably low figure, the Game Commission and informed outdoorsmen believe. The count was made by game protectors and field research men. Early season trout fishermen contributed, in many cases, to the compilation.

The International Monetary Fund has approved an agreement allowing France to purchase up to \$262,500,000 in foreign currencies in the next year. It was the second largest such commitment in the Fund's history.

The 1956 Nobel Prize for medicine was won by two Columbia University professors and a West German neurologist, in recognition of their work in exploring the interior of the living human heart.

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