

Officers of the Lancaster County Fruit Growers "We are recommending that Association after their election Monday night are, the tungicide be left in with seated L to R., Roy Erb, secretary and Wilbur Heller; the oil in the green tip spray president Looking on as Erb and Heller accept ap- He also told growers "I like plications for membership in the organization are L to see the miscible oil put on R., Martin Krimes, vice pdesident and Amos Rutt, treasurer.

#### Friut Growers Elect, Hear Spray Changes

Water based phosphate in-Monday night

He said that the miscible oil sprays which are normally water based phosphates

Pepper told the Lancaster County Fruit Growers Association, meeting in the Farm Bureau building for their annual reorganization meeting

secticides have been causing that Malathion on bearing apsome of the problems orchard- ple trees is not approved 1818 have been having with Some growers may still want their early sprays, John Pep- to use parathion, but insectiber. Extension entomologist oldes such as parathion should from the Pennsylvania State not be used after bloom opens, University told fruit growers he said because you do not want to kill the bees in the orchard

Pepper said the mite situaapplied at the green tip stage tion was bad last year and the in apple orchards are some- entomologists expect it to be times incompatible with some severe again this year "I think 'resistant is a nice word to hide behind when we are not doing a good job of control he said

> Pepper said the spotted mites, which overwinter as adults as compared with the European red mites which overwinter as eggs can be controlled if they are hit early enough and hard enough

He outlined a program of

miscible oil in the green tip or delayed dormant stage with Guthion of Phosphamidon in the pre-pink spray, petal fall spray, and the first, third, fifth and seventh cover sprays.

He said rosy aphids were found in many county orchards last fall He cautioned growers to be on guard for a heavy hatch of rosy aphids this sea-

Pepper also said there may be a heavy hatch of the 17year locust in 1962. He recommended Sevin for the control of the insect, and said tests have shown it to be effective for a period of about three weeks. The spray should be timed when you see the first egg clusters, he said

Heibert Cole Extension Plant Pathologist from PSU, said the number one disease facing orchardists is Scab, with Fire Blight where there are pears, trust rots and sooty blotch, and powdery mildew in that order of importance.

He said plant pathologists have found that in orchards (Continued on Page 24)



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