

Crop Summary

Rain Is Welcome To Local Crop

Farmers in the Keystone State got some much needed rain during the past week. In many areas, the week's rain-

ter area improved TOBACCO considerably, but more rain is needed to assure continued growth. Late planted tobacco shows very little growth. Early planted tobacco is small, but shooting seed heads, with topping underway. Last year one-

fourth of the early planted fields were ready to top and two years ago harvest of the early planted fields was getting underway at this time.

Despite the frequent showers, farmers continued to make hay, combine wheat and oats, and bale straw. Fall plowing got underway in southern counties, as many farmers started preparing ground for the fall seeded grains. In the south-east, topping and hoeing tobacco and digging of the late summer crop of Clobber potatoes continued. Other farm activities throughout the State included spraying and picking fruit, mowing orchards, and spraying, harvesting and cultivating vegetables.

Wheat harvest continues in northern areas, and is about four - fifths completed on a stateside basis. OAT harvest is nearing completion in the south, and just getting under way in the north, with about half of the harvest completed throughout the State. CORN is looking better since the recent rains, but stalks are short in many areas. About 65 percent has tasseled, and some of the earlier plantings are in the dough stage.

Lack of rain during July limited growth of hay, and most of the second cutting was short. Recent rains have promoted

growth in many areas, but still more is needed for a good third crop. Nearly two-thirds of the second cutting ALFALFA crop has been harvested, with third cutting starting in the south. Nearly half of the second cutting CLOVER-TIMOTHY hay has been cut. The hay made during the period was of good quality except in areas where rain damaged the crop. In several sections of the State, farmers mowed hay that was too short to rake, in hopes of a good third cutting.

Harvest of the LATE SUMMER crop of Clobbers is well underway with good quality and fair yields. The FALL crop in the Lehigh area showed signs of dry weather except where irrigated. Set throughout the eastern counties is good with tubers now about the size of golf balls. In the west, insects have been hard to control. Cool, damp conditions in Cambria County prompted spraying of fungicides. Russets in that area are in full bloom. Katahdins are still in blossom in Potter County with vines growing profusely and set considered good.

Warm, humid, and rainy weather improved prospects during the week, and hastened maturity in many areas. Harvest of SNAP BEANS for fresh market and processing continues in all areas. SWEET CORN picking continues, and volume for processors is becoming heavier. The dry weather has caused short stalks and ears in many areas, but yields are fair. TOMATO picking has been light, but more volume is expected during the coming week. Picking of green wraps has started in the Schuylkill-Luzerne area, but volume is light. Dry rot continues to plague farmers in many areas where irrigation has not been used.

Fruit is continuing to size in all areas although some is rather small for this date. Early
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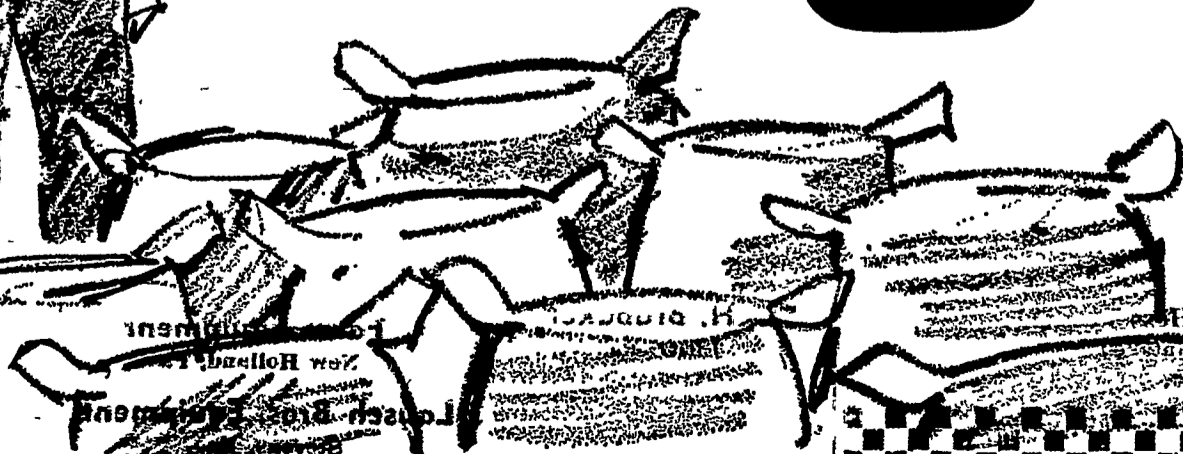
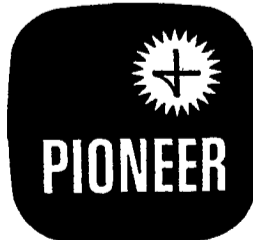
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