

# Lancaster Farming

## SECOND SECTION

### Forage Insect Control

**New Rulings on Forage Crop Insecticides**  
Recent action by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Food and Drug Administration have made it illegal to use either Dieldrin or Heptachlor on hay crops

These two materials can no longer be used as sprays, dusts, granules, or fertilizer-insecticide combinations on alfalfa or any other forage crop. Both fall applications and spring applications are NOT permitted because of the

residue which would appear in milk and meat. Thus, there is no legal and effective material which can be applied this fall to control the 1965 alfalfa weevil and spittle bug problems.

The legal residue level of insecticides in milk remains at zero. The present confusion

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### 1964 Corn Loan Rate Set

Price-support loans for the 1964 corn crop will average \$1.27 per bushel in Lancaster County, Fred Seldomridge, Chairman, Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation County Committee has announced. This compares with 1963-crop loan

rate of \$1.23 per bushel for the County. Part of the increase in the 1964 rate results from adjustments made in order to more nearly reflect historical prices received by farmers.

The 1964 loan rate, plus a price-support payment of 15 cents a bushel, gives a total price support average rate of \$1.42 per bushel for 1964-crop corn in the County. While the loan rate varies according to the grades and qualities of individual crops, the price-support payment per bushel is the same for all farms.

The average county loan rate of \$1.27 per bushel is for 1964-crop corn grading No. 3, or No. 4 on the factor of test weight only but otherwise grading No. 3 except for moisture. Premiums and discounts for other grades and qualities are unchanged from those in effect in 1963.

The Chairman reminded growers that price support on the 1964 crop of corn will be available only to farmers participating in the 1964 feed grain program.

The price-support program for corn will be carried out through farm- and warehouse-stored loans, purchases, and price-support payments. Loans will be based on eligible actual production, while the price-support payments of 15 cents per bushel will be on normal production of the harvested acres.

Application for price-support loans and purchases may be made at the ASCS County Office through May 31, 1965. Unless demand is made sooner, loans will mature on July 31, 1965.

#### PENN STATE OFFERS NEW AGR. MECH. STUDY PROGRAM

The College of Agriculture at The Pennsylvania State University has begun a new four-year program of study called agricultural mechanization.

Started this Fall at University Park, the training prepares students for technical advisory service and for sales and management positions in firms supplying energy, buildings, and equipment for mechanized agriculture. The new major is offered by the department of agricultural engineering.

"Our objective in this new major is to fill the need for well-trained persons with a knowledge of farm buildings, power, and equipment — supplemented with background in basic agriculture and business," states Jerome K. Pasto, associate director of resident education in the College of Agriculture.

Dr. Pasto reports opportunities for careers in agricultural mechanization are many and varied. Specific types of employment include work as field representatives for companies or associations, farm service advisors for power suppliers, service and sales agents for companies and dealers, and public relations personnel.

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