

Lancaster Farming

SECOND SECTION

Agriculture Open House Planned At Penn State For May 6th

Pennsylvania high school students, their teachers, and guidance counselors, will get an "inside look" at career opportunities in agriculture at a College of Agriculture Open House scheduled for Saturday, May 6, at Penn State University.

The Open House, established in 1963, will feature exhibits, demonstrations, lectures, and tours geared to the skills, knowledge, and training required for persons seeking careers in modern-day agriculture. The program will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. with headquarters in the Hetzel Union Building on the University Park campus.

A prominent educator, Dr. J. Ralph Rackley, Superintendent

of the Pennsylvania Department of Public Instruction, will speak to teachers and guidance counselors at 11 a.m. in the Hetzel Union Building. His topic will be "The Teacher's Role in Counseling."

Guided bus tours of the University Park campus, including agricultural research facilities, will be available. There will be ample time during the day for students, parents, and high school educators to hold discussions with College of Agriculture students and faculty.

Persons desiring additional information regarding the May 6 program may write to Open House Committee, 1 Armsby Building, University Park, Pa 16802.

USDA Sets Guidelines For Potato Production

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has recommended that growers of late summer potatoes plant the same number of acres in 1967 as they did last year.

USDA also suggested that total plantings of early summer potatoes be reduced 4 percent from last year's level, and the fall crop potato plantings be reduced 6 percent to match supplies with expected needs.

USDA's Consumer and Marketing Service issues acreage marketing guides to help growers plan production. C&MS market analysts said that if production is in line with the guide for the coming season, and if marketings follow a normal time pattern, supplies should be in balance with consumer needs.

The combined 1967 summer and fall production of potatoes suggested by the guides would total 246.4 million hundredweight, 7 percent less than in 1966.

The acreage guides recommend 1,023,035 acres for fall harvest, 86,020 acres for early summer harvest, and 142,600 acres for late summer harvest. Acreage recommendations for individual states range from the same acreages planted in 1966 to 15 percent reductions from last year.

For Pennsylvania, USDA recommends no change from the 3400 acres used to raise late

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8 County FFA Boys Win Gold Medal Awards In Pa. Project Book Contest

Eight Lancaster County Future Farmers of America were announced recently as gold medal winners in the 1966 State FFA Project Book Evaluation Contest. Winning the \$15 cash award were

Norman Burkholder and Ben Nolt, both Manheim Chapter; Dean Bollinger, Warwick; Leon Rutt, E-town; William Frey, Solanco; Earl Stauffer, Ephrata; Wilbur Charles, Solanco, and Jim High, Lampeter

Silver medal winners were: Marlin Shearer, Manheim; Fred Kreider and James Huber, both Solanco; Larry Herr and James Leaman, both Lampeter; Linford Weaver, Ephrata; Howett Seiverling, Warwick; and Michael Smucker, New Holland

Bronze medal winners were: Larry Burkhart, New Holland; Lewis Kreider, Solanco; Earl Stauffer, Jay Smoker, Daryl Bollinger, William Buchter, and Ronald Meck, all Ephrata; and Kenneth Leaman, Lampeter

Honorable mention went to: Raymond Burkholder, Ephrata; Roy Musser, Larry High, and Kenneth Weber, all New Holland; and Larry Harnish, Penn Manor

In the FFA Chapter Scrapbook Contest, a gold medal went to the Grassland Chapter at New Holland. James Huber, Solanco Chapter, received the 1966 Production Credit Award

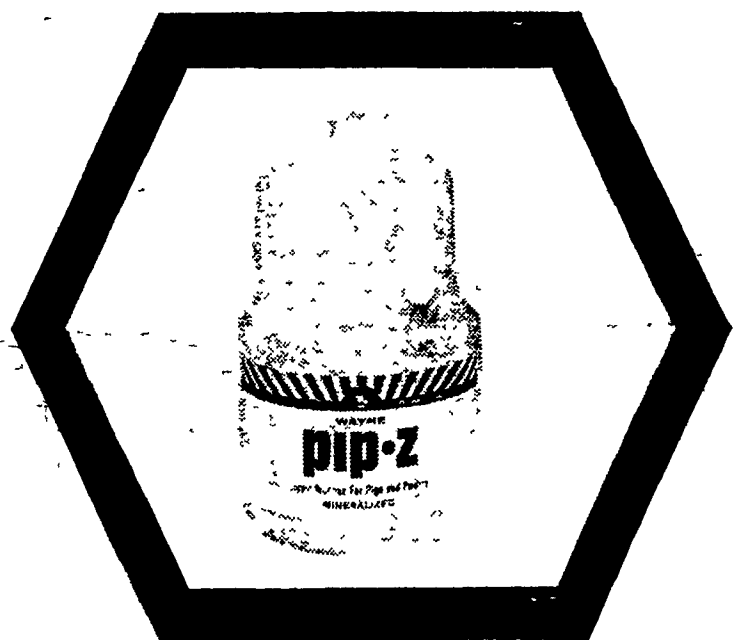
of \$5. The FFA project books are partially evaluated for content at the home schools, then Penn State University and the Department of Public Instruction scores them for neatness, completeness, and accuracy.

Bull To Attend Bird Damage Conference

HARRISBURG — Leland H. Bull, Pennsylvania Secretary of Agriculture, has been invited to participate in the North American Conference on bird damage affecting agriculture. The conference will be held March 30 and 31 at Columbus, Ohio

Secretary Bull will join officials from five other states — Ohio, Arkansas, New York, Maryland and Colorado — the federal government, and one Canadian province, Ontario. In addition to presenting the viewpoint of a state department director, Secretary Bull also will represent the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture. He is secretary-treasurer of the national association.

The conference is scheduled to take up specifically "black-bird depredation in agriculture", but also will study a report on all such bird activity, (Continued on Page 17)



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