

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the Commonwealth totaled 84,000 head on January 1, about 1,000 head or 1 percent less than a year ago. Expected marketings for the January-March quarter are 25,000 head and, if realized, would equal those of the comparable period in 1968.

The baking industry is second only to the beverage industry in use of sugar.

## Larson To Address State Horticultural Association

Dr. Russell E. Larson, Dean of The Pennsylvania State University's College of Agriculture will be one of the featured speakers at the 110th annual meeting of the State Horticultural Association of Pennsylvania. The meeting will be held in York, Pa. February 10, 11, 12

The membership of the Association is composed mainly of fruit growers who produce large and small fruits, commercial representatives of agricultural industries, and professional workers in federal, state, institutional and private organizations.

Dean Larson is scheduled to speak Monday afternoon, February 10. His subject will be, "Penn State's College of Agriculture is on Your Team."

He has served The Pennsylvania State University in numerous capacities since his first appointment as assistant professor of plant breeding in 1944. In 1952 he became head of the Department of Horticulture, and in 1961 was selected chairman of the Division of Plant Science and Industry. He was director of the Cooperative Extension Service from 1962 until his appointment as dean.

Dean Larson earned his bachelor of science, master of science and doctor of philosophy degrees from the University of Minnesota.

He is a member of numerous professional and scientific societies and is recognized internationally as a research scientist and the author of many published scientific articles.



OFFICIALS HEADING THE PENNSYLVANIA PLANT FOOD EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY for 1969 are, seated from left: John C. Hoffman, of the Lancaster Bone and Fertilizer Co., Inc., Quarryville, president, and W. Wayne Hinsh, professor of agronomy Extension at The Pennsylvania State University, vice president. Standing from left: Robert J. Thomas, director of the Penn State Soils and Forage Testing Laboratory, secretary-treasurer, and Walter I. Thomas, head of the Penn State Department of Agronomy, immediate past president.

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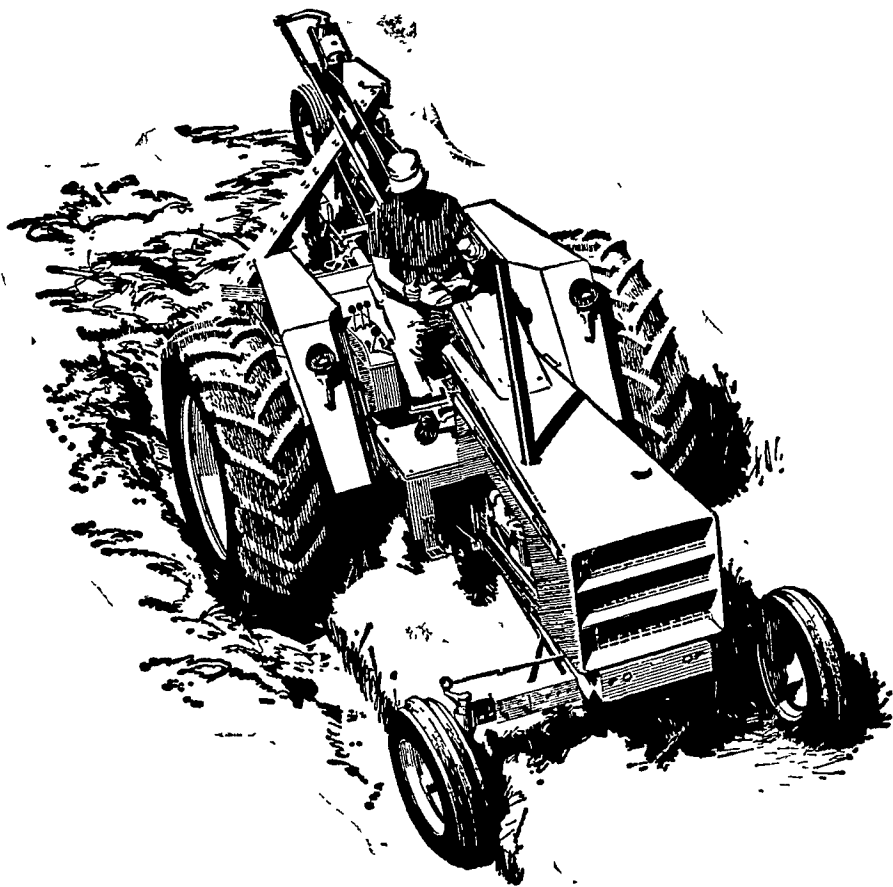
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