

Vegetable Growers Conference Scheduled For February 9-11

UNIVERSITY PARK — Future approaches to seeding and harvesting vegetables and new aspects of labor management will be highlights of the annual Vegetable Conference scheduled for February 9-11 at The Pennsylvania State University.

The meeting, which will be of interest to vegetable growers and canneries, will begin at noon on February 9 and conclude at noon the third day. All sessions will be held in the Nittany Lion Inn.

Topics to be presented the first day are "Production and Marketing at the Farm Level" by Paul Linvill, market manager for Linvill Orchards; Media "Bedding Plant Production" by Robert Fortney, Penn State Extension floriculturist; "Air Pollution Damage to Vegetables" by Norman Lacasse, Penn State assistant professor of plant pathology and director of the Center of Air Environment Studies; and "Growing More Dollars Per Acre With New Systems" presented by Norman Smith, county agricultural agent in Bridgeton, N. J.

The morning program on February 10 will include such discussions as "Cost Accounting in Vegetable Production" led by B. Wayne Kelly, Penn State Extension farm management specialist; "Post-Harvest Costs in Fresh Vegetable Production" by Jarvis Cain, professor of agricultural economics at the University of Maryland; and "Labor Management" by Virgil Crowley, Penn State Extension farm management specialist.

The Tuesday afternoon pro-

gram will center on mechanization trends and field management. Donnell Hunt, professor of agricultural engineering at the University of Illinois will discuss "Why Is Machinery Important?" and Donald Daum, Penn State ag engineer will present the topic "Driving Pattern and Field Efficiency." "New and Future Approaches to Seeding and Harvesting Vegetables" will be discussed by Burton S. Horne, Extension ag engineer.

Third-day activities will include a report of the 1969 Penn-

sylvania Tomato Committee: a talk by Charles Porter, Penn State agricultural economist on "Competitive Position of the Vegetable Processing Industry in the Northeast;" a discussion of the "Brine System for Sorting Tomatoes" by Robert Gutterman, president of Food Technology Corporation; and "Progress and Problems in the Mechanization of Tomato Production" by Edwin Crosby, director of the agricultural division of the National Canners Association.

Also included on the Wednesday morning program is the presentation of awards to the top tomato, bean, and sweet corn producers.

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in lawns or fine turf where the disease has been a problem, cautions Allen H. Bauer, extension plant pathologist at The Pennsylvania State University. Damage from snow mold is reduced or prevented by not piling snow on the lawn and by treating problem areas with chemicals. Where snow mold has been troublesome and much snow falls, see your county agent for further information on snow mold control.

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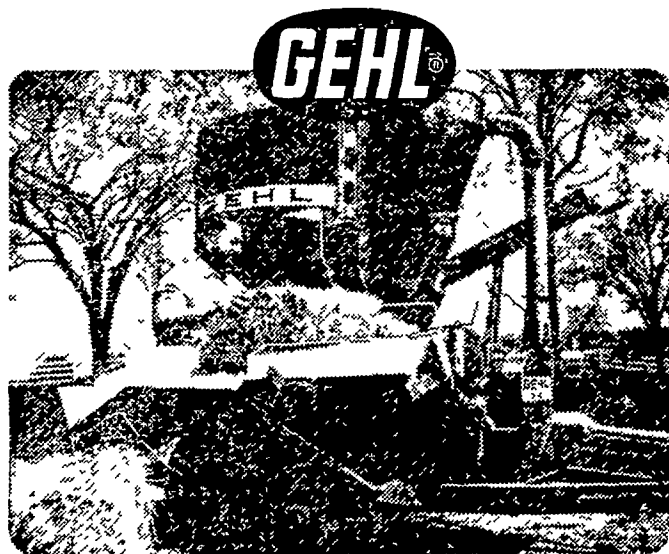
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