20-Lancaster Farming, Saturday, September 19, 1970

U.S. Seed Corn Firms ers will experience a loss in grain yields from planting F2 seed. Discuss 1971 Labels

cent of the nation's seed corn in the seed to: 1971 planting. supplies, met recently to dis-

male sterile cytoplasm contain- survey to determine the ade- a four-way cross." ol this recommendation will be ed in seed supplies Approval requested from the U.S Departdepartments of agriculture

viewed the outbreak of the new T-strain of Southern corn leaf blight which is found in varying degrees throughout much of the corn growing areas

ASTA officials felt that individual company members would fulfill to the utmost extent the obligation of informing the farmer-consumer through a

Greenhouse Vegetable Conference Set in Sept.

Speakers from Penn State. Rutgers, Cornell. Ohio State. Arizona, Texas A & M, and West Virginia Universities will be featured at the first North American Greenhouse Vegetable Conference in Pittsburgh from September 29 through October 1, 1970.

Two speakers from Europe also will participate in the meeting. The speakers are from England and Holland. Both countries are among the leaders in greenhouse vegetable production in Europe

A special tour will be taken on September 29 to Grafton, West Virginia to visit the newest greenhouse vegetable complex in North America - 11 acres under glass

Copies of the program and registration forms are available from the Agricultural Conference Coordinator 410 J O. Keller Conference Center., The Pennsylvania State U.11-1 versity, University Park, Pa.1 16802.

Bedding Plant Meetings

Bedding plant growers should rote the dates of October 5 0, 7 1970 for the National Bear rg Plant Conference, The meetings will be held at Michigan State University, East Lansing, M.chi-

Top officials of the nation's system of labeling which will seed industry, representing provide information relative to firms that produce over 95 per the kind of cytoplasm contained

Labeling of F2 or second gen- labeling of seed corn throughout ment of Agriculture and state eration seed was reviewed since the United States, both interreports from some areas of the state and intrastate, is to The seedsmen, meeting in Ar. country indiccte a limited adequately and properly inform lington Heights, Illinois, re- amount of this seed is being the customer regarding the type harvested for possible use next of seed available for 1971

year. Concern was expressed by some seed companies that farmers will experience a loss in

Lewis Camp, research director for P-A-G, Aurora, Illinois, said at the conclusion of the meeting: "Farmers can expect to experience a reduction of 15 to 30 per cent in yields when planting F2 seed.'

Dr. Harold Loden, director of research. ACCO Seed, Belmond. The meeting did not deal with Iowa, said at the conclusion of cuss seed corn labeling for 1971. the seed supply situation for the meeting: "The reduction in John I Sutherland, executive 1971 since it is recognized that, grain yields, when planting F2 vice president of the American as of this date. a proper ap- seed, is related to the specific Seed Trade Association, said at praisal could not be made since makeup of the hybrid from the conclusion of the meeting haivesting of the seed crop has which it is harvested. Generally "The Association recommends just started. The seed industry, speaking, the second generation all members label seed corn for however, is currently cooperat-ot a single cross will yield less 1971 with the per cent of Texas ing with the USDA through a than the second generation of

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Topics to be discussed range from varieties, marketing, geimination and air pollution to mechanization.

Plant Perennials

September is a good time to; plan and plant many perennials, suggest extension specialists at The Pennsylvania State University. This includes may peonies, daylilies, hardy bubs phlox and many others. If possible, it may be a good idea to buy plants locally or from very nearby mail order tirms, since these plants will have less adjusting to do before winter

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