Pa. Vegetable Conference Set Feb. 7-9

Topics of current interest to vegetable growers and food processor field representatives will be presented at the 1972 Pennsylvania Vegetable Conference scheduled February 7 - 9 at Pennsylvania State Universitv

The conference, sponsored by the Penn State College of Agriculture, Pennsylvania Vegetable Growers Association, Food Processors and Association, will be held in the JO Keller Building Gerald D Kuhn, Extension food technologist, is program chairman

The February 7 morning session will include such subjects

Dow Petitions Court on 2, 4, 5-T

The Dow Chemical Company petitioned in Federal Court recently for an order directing William B Ruckelshaus, administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, to reach an immediate decision relative to the cancellation of the registration for the use of the herbicide 2,4,5-T to control weeds in rice

Dow filed suit in U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Arkansas asking that the court direct Ruckelshaus to issue a definitive order either reinstating or cancelling the registration for the product

Dow contends that the administrator is required under the terms of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act to issue a definitive order and findings of fact relative to the cancellation of a pesticide registration within 90 days of receiving the report of a scientific advisory committee on the subject The report of the advisory committee recommended that registrations of 2,4,5-T be reinstated

Dow spokesmen claim that recent statements and orders issued by the administrator do not meet the requirements of the law and have the effect of denying Dow an important step in the appeal process

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as dried poultry manure in vegetable production; recommended production practices for fresh market sweet corn, and a presentation describing the College of Agriculture today.

Afternoon topics on the first day will be the effects of air pollutants on vegetable crops and a panel discussion on marketing vegetables and farm labor. Dr. Charles L Hosler, dean of the Penn State College of Earth and Mineral Sciences, will serve as banquet speaker February 7.

Second-day activities will offer important presentations on new vegetable varieties, the future of vegetables, pesticides and pest control, current vegetable research projects underway, management and storage of vegetables, fertilization studies of sweet corn and green beans and the potential of expanding pepper and dry bean production in Pennsylvania

The February 8 evening session will feature slide and lecture presentations on vegetable production in Bavaria and advances in the production of vegetable crops

The traditional report of studies of mechanization in tomato production for processed markets, along with the presentation of awards to out-

standing vegetable growers in 1971, are scheduled for the morning of February 9.

For additional information on this conference, contact your county agricultural agent or the Agricultural Conference Coordinator, Room 410, J.O. Keller Building, University Park, Pa. 16802

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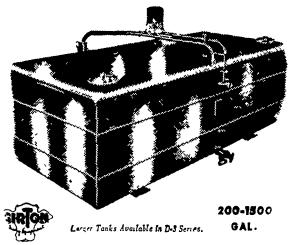
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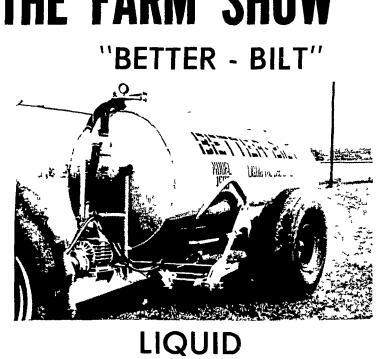
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