

Industry Officials Probe Pickle Situation At Harvesting Seminar

A doubling of pickle yields with the advent of improved varieties was forecast during a recent series of pickle harvesting seminars staged in Bailey, Michigan.

The prediction was made by food processors in describing research work their plant breeders are conducting. In 1973 the average U.S. pickle yield was 189 bushels per acre. Industry spokesmen stated they could see a 300 to 400 bushel per acre yield in "the near future."

The series of three seminars held in late February and early March was staged by the Bailey-based Wilde Manufacturing, Inc. Wilde is the manufacturer of a mechanical pickle harvester that has received

tremendous acceptance in the state of Michigan.

During the seminars, featured speaker Dr. Jim Motes, Extension Horticultural Specialist at Michigan State University, revealed that over 90 percent of the state's 30,000 pickle acres were mechanically harvested in 1973. In contrast, less than 10 percent of the acreage in the remainder of the U.S. was mechanically harvested.

It has been estimated that the labor costs incurred with hand harvested pickles equal from half or more of total gross sales, which goes a long way in explaining why Michigan growers enjoy more net profit per acre than growers in other states.

Primary reason cited for

the wide differences in harvesting techniques between Michigan and the rest of the U.S. is the lack of an efficient, workable harvesting machine. To date, Wilde has concentrated its marketing efforts in Michigan. However, the firm recently revealed plans to extend its sales efforts to other major pickle-producing states.

During his presentation Dr. Motes pointed out that mechanical harvesting has been instrumental in avoiding losses from annular leaf spot. "Right now we do not have commercially available resistant varieties," he said. "However, since mechanically harvested pickles are harvested about 50 days after planting, losses to annular leaf spot have not been a real problem here in Michigan."

Another bright spot in the current situation came when Motes revealed average annual pickle consumption is now over eight pounds per person. "Fifteen years ago average consumption was about four pounds per person," said Motes, "and I credit the promotion efforts

Experiment Station Directors To Meet In Washington D.C.

The Committee of Nine, representing all state agricultural experiment station directors, will meet April 17 and 18 in the U.S. Department of Agriculture administration building, Washington, D.C., the Department announced today.

The meeting is open to the public and will begin at 8:30 a.m. on both days in Room 104-A.

The committee will evaluate and recommend proposals for cooperative research on problems that concern agriculture and will prepare suggestions for allocation of research funds.

Elected by the state directors, members of the Committee of Nine are: Charles E. Hess, New Brunswick, N.J., chairman; Lois Lund, East Lansing, Mich.; Lloyd C. Ayres,

of Bill Moore, Executive Secretary of the Pickle Packers International, for much of this increase."

The seminars were attended by pickle growers and processors from across the country who learned the latest in production techniques for mechanical harvesting.

J. C. Williamson, Jr., Raleigh, N.C.; and Sylvan H. Wittwer, East Lansing, Mich.

Solid Gold

The principal attraction at one Japanese hotel is a solid-gold bathtub weighing 313½ pounds. The hotel charges the equivalent of \$2 a minute to bathe in it and assures bathers that each immersion prolongs life.

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PUBLIC SALE

50-ACRE FARM

Household Goods and Antiques

Saturday, April 20, 1974

at 10:00 A.M.

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FARM CONSISTS OF 50 ACRES (Approx.); 45 Acres Tillable Level Land; Approx. 4 Acres Woodland.

REAL ESTATE WILL BE OFFERED IN 2 SEPARATE TRACTS, OR AS A COMPLETE UNIT, AS FOLLOWS:

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Tobacco Shed [for 7 A.], Chicken House, 2-Story Hog Pen w/Chicken House above.

Large 2½-Story, 10-room Frame House

Could be made into two or three Apts. Three Stairways, Lg. Balcony and Porch. All buildings well built and in good repair, w/Slate Roofs. Good Well. Farm was recently surveyed.

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Horse Sale - May 1, 1974

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1974 FEEDER CATTLE

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SOUTH BRANCH STOCKYARDS, INC.
MOOREFIELD, WEST VIRGINIA

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Two year olds, yearlings and calves. All long haired West Virginia cattle.

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PUBLIC SALE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 1974

10:00 P.M.

Located 6 miles Northeast of Bedford, off old Rt. 220 at Railroad Tracks at Bedford on Imler Town Road, Bedford Co. at the Ralph Kegg Farm.

MACHINERY, 38 HEAD HOLSTEIN CATTLE

REAL ESTATE OFFERED AT 12:00 Noon

Consisting of approximately 218 acre farm, 100 acres tillable, balance timberland. Having a large 36 stanchion barn, large 7 room farm house, bath, forced air heat, well water, farm pond along good road. Farmland in high state of cultivation.

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