

# Grangers To Elect Officers

Election of new officers to direct the Pennsylvania State Grange for the next two years will highlight the organization's 102nd annual convention to be held at Washington (Pa.) Oct. 28-31.

Attention will focus on the selection of a master to succeed A. Wayne Readinger as head of the 58,000-member State Grange, Pennsylvania's largest agricultural and

rural organization.

Readinger, of Fleetwood RD1 (Berks County), was elected master of the State Grange in 1968 and was reelected in 1970 and 1972. He succeeded John W. Scott of Mechanicsburg, who is now national master of the Grange.

State Grange officers, with the exception of secretary and treasurer, are not eligible to succeed themselves after serving three consecutive two-year terms in an office.

New officers also will be elected to succeed Clifford Tinklepaugh, of Thompson, as overseer; Miss Mildred Shultz, Somerset, lecturer; Marvin Miller, Gettysburg RD3, steward; Robert E. Steese, Grove City RD1, gatekeeper; Mrs. J. LeRoy Cooke, Burgettstown RD2, pomona; Mrs. William Buffington, Chadds Ford RD1, flora, and Peter Karenbauer, Chicora RD2, member of the executive committee.

Other officers who have served less than six years and are eligible for reelection are: C. Arthur Zug, Port Royal RD2,

assistant steward; Mrs. Frances Byers, Charleroi RD2, lady assistant steward; Rev. Thomas B. Musser, West Milton, chaplain; Mrs. Ruth Fish, Towanda RD5, ceres, and Herald Pentz, of Rockton, finance committee.

J. Luther Snyder, of Camp Hill, is the secretary, and John H. Minor, of Morgantown, W. Va., the treasurer.

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# Positive DES Sample Found

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) recently reported finding the second positive sample of diethylstilbestrol (DES) in a beef animal this year.

The positive finding was identified by inspectors of USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) and confirmed by the Food and Drug Administration, which was asked to verify the APHIS analysis.

APHIS officials said the residue of the growth stimulant was found in the liver of a steer owned by Weber & Sons of Friend, Neb., and slaughtered at Council Bluffs, Iowa, packing plant.

DES is legal for use in the U.S., so long as it is with-

drawn from animal feed or been implanted for a sufficient time before slaughter to permit the residues to pass out of the body of the animal. APHIS veterinarians said no residues will remain when proper withdrawal times are observed.

Sampling and analysis for residues is authorized under the 1967 Wholesome Meat Act, to protect the public from dangerous or unwanted residues in meat.

DES was banned in 1973, and not used during the latter part of that year either as a feed supplement or implant. In January 1974, the U.S. Court of Appeals overruled the ban.

APHIS inspectors have continued monitoring for DES during 1973 and all this year. To date in 1974, they have taken 2,093 samples. APHIS is sampling at the rate of about 300 samples a month.

APHIS scientists analyze the liver of meat animals because that is the only part of an animal's body in which residues have been detected.

APHIS officials said at the levels used in cattle feeding no DES residues have been found in meat tissues.

This first DES positive finding this year also in Nebraska (press release USDA 1614-74.)

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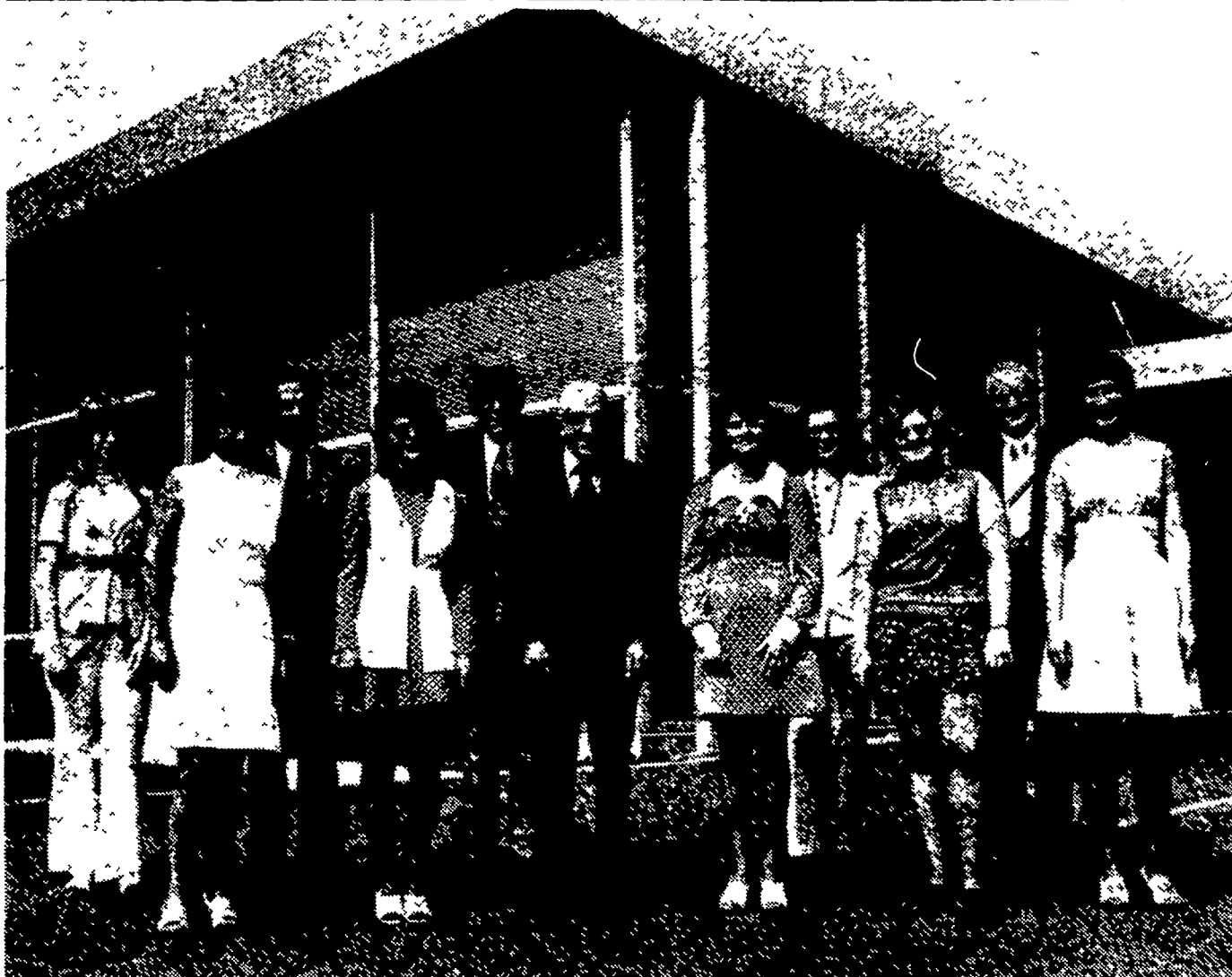
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# Produce Report

Corn for grain production in Pennsylvania, estimated October 1 by the Crop Reporting Service, is expected to total 83,460,000 bushels. This is the same as last month's estimate, and is 3 percent more than last year's production. Yield per acre is expected to be 78 bushels, the same as last year.

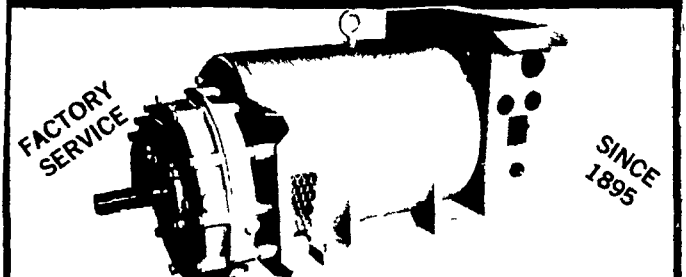
The season's first estimate of fall potato production in Pennsylvania is for a total production of 7,920,000 cwt. and a yield of 240 cwt. per acre. The production estimate for 1974 is 26 percent more than last year's production. Average yield last year was 210 cwt. per acre.

Production of all hay in Pennsylvania is expected to total 4,818,000 tons, with an average yield of 2.17 tons per acre. Alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures harvested for hay are expected to yield an average of 2.70 tons per acre for a total production of 2,120,000 tons. This year's estimate of all hay production and of alfalfa hay is 5 percent less than last year's total.

Pennsylvania seedleaf tobacco production in the Commonwealth is expected to total 24.7 million pounds, with yield per acre averaging 1,900 pounds. Last year's tobacco production was 22.1 million pounds and yield was 1,700 pounds per acre.

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