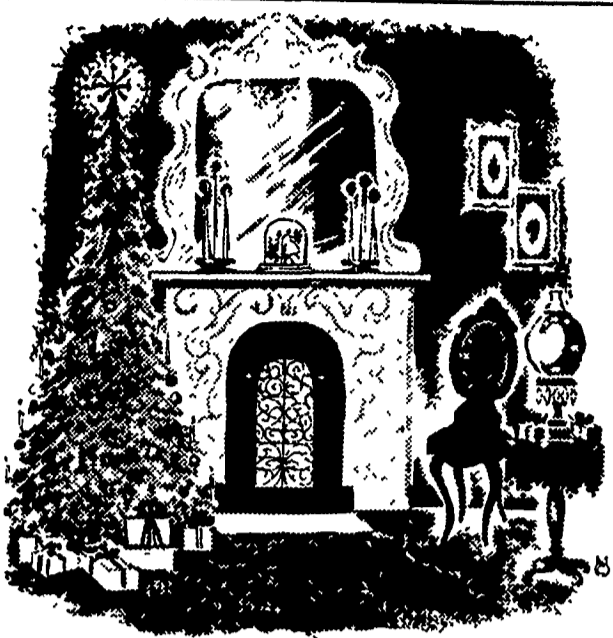


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## Penn State To Host Vegetable Conference

Innovations in vegetable and small fruit production—including new concepts in disease and weed control, fertilizer use, and mechanical harvesting—will be featured at the annual Vegetable Conference scheduled for February 10-12 on The Pennsylvania State University's main campus.

"Topics of interest to commercial small fruit and vegetable growers will be presented on February 10 and 11," said Dr. Ernest L. Bergman, Penn State professor of plant nutrition and conference chairman. "On February 12 all topics will deal with tomato processing and mechanization."

The conference, to be held in the J.O. Keller Building and starting at 9:30 a.m. on February 10, is sponsored by the Pennsylvania Vegetable Growers Association, Pennsylvania Food Processors Association, and the Penn State Department of Horticulture.

Keynote speaker will be Dr. Robert Sweet, professor of weed control at Cornell University. He will discuss new developments in chemical and physical weed control and how they relate to the state's soils and climatic conditions.

Dr. Bergman points out that the February 10 morning session will focus on strawberry, raspberry, blackberry, and blueberry production, and research work on the raspberry virus.

Speakers at this session include Glenn J. Stadelbacher, manager of W. F. Allen Co., Salisbury, Md.; Amos Funk, of Millersville Truck Farm, Millersville; Dr. Peter A. Ferretti, Penn State Extension horticulturist; and Dr. Cyril B. Smith, Penn State professor of plant nutrition.

The Monday afternoon program will feature such subjects as the production of quality mellons, current Pennsylvania research on new sweet corn type evaluation, lima bean nutrition, and a report of the Pennsylvania Vegetable Growers Association sponsored research. Speakers are Robert F. Fletcher, Extension vegetable crops specialist; Dr. Samuel H. Smith, professor of plant pathology; Dr. Douglas L. Garwood, assistant professor of plant breeding, and Dr. Bergman, all of Penn State.

Industry and University specialists will devote considerable time to such topics as OSHA requirements, insect and disease control, how to cope with the fertilizer shortage and other production needs and use of high density harvesters on February 11.

Speakers are Kendall S. Tomlinson, of the Lebanon Chemical Corp.; Charles J. Shenot, manager of farm enterprises, Agway Inc.; Charles West, vegetable grower from Milford, Del.; and the following Penn State specialists: Donald R. Daum, Extension agricultural engineer; Dr. Robert C. Tetrault, Extension entomologist; and Dr. Alan A. MacNab, Extension plant pathologist.

The processing tomato day on February 12 will deal with variety evaluation; report of 1974 fertilizer trials; insect, disease, and weed control; the use of ethrel; pesticide applicator certification, mechanical harvesting, and economics of machine harvesting.

These topics will be presented by Allan K. Stoner, research horticulturist, U.S. Department of Agriculture; Dr. William R. Hepler, head of the Penn State Department of Horticulture; Dr. Cyril B. Smith; Robert F. Fletcher; John Everitt, James Foltz, and Robert Kobilis, all of American Home Foods Inc.; Dr. MacNab; Stanley G.

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According to Dr. Bergman, additional details and registration forms may be obtained by contacting your county agricultural agent or by writing to the Agricultural Conference Coordinator, 410 J. O. Keller Building, University Park, Pa. 16802.

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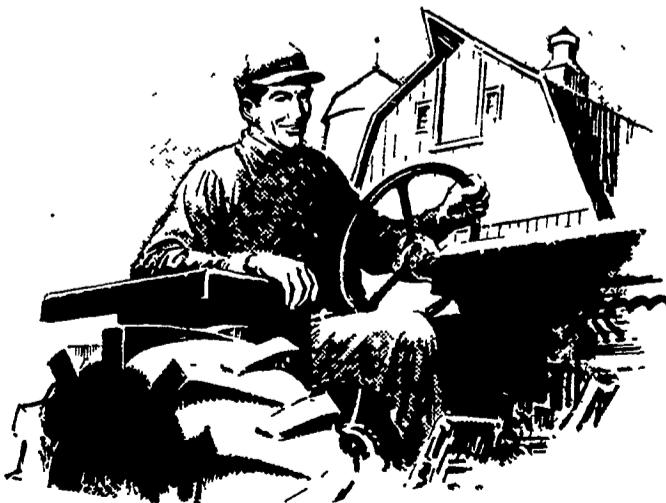
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