

Vegetable conference planned

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 Debruary 9-11 on The Pennsylvania State University's main campus. "Topics will be of interest to commercial vegetable growers, food processing company fieldmen, and allied industry personnel,"

said Professor Robert F. Fletcher, Penn State Extension vegetable crops specialist and conference chairman.

The program is being developed by representatives of the Pennsylvania Vegetable Growers Association, Pennsylvania Food Processors Association, and Penn State's Department of Horticulture. Co-chairman of the conference is Professor C. J. Noll, of the Penn State Department of Horticulture.

All educational sessions will be held, as in the past, in the J. O. Keller Building, Professor Fletcher points out. On February 11, all topics will deal with tomato production and mechanization.

According to Mr. Fletcher, additional program details will be announced when they are completed.

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A father teaching his teenage daughter to drive explained the rules this way: "Go on green, stop on red, slow down when I turn white!"

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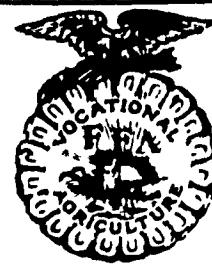
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November 11 - 14th are very important days during the F.F.A. year, for these are the dates of the National F.F.A. Convention.

For 48 years now, F.F.A. members have been gathering in Kansas City, Missouri to compete in judging contests, set F.F.A. policy, and meet new friends. From the approximate 3,000 members who attended the first convention to over the 17,000 who attended last year, it is a time, a place, and an event which one will long remember.

A feature of the Convention is a display of agricultural career exploration booths. Here is found a wealth of information about a great

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number of agricultural occupations. Each booth is manned by representatives of trade associations and national organizations who stand ready to answer any questions pertaining to their particular field.

Several interesting educational tours of midwest agribusinesses have been scheduled throughout the week. Other places of interest to many include the Truman Library, Agricultural Hall of Fame, and the Truman Sports Complex.

Special Convention highlights will include competition in the National Judging Contests, National Public Speaking Contest, Conferring American Farmer Degrees, naming of Star Farmer and Star

Agribusinessman of America, plus many other awards and business session events.

Some 30 members and advisors from Lancaster County will be attending the Convention this year. In most cases the students have earned this opportunity because they got involved in their local chapter's activities and participation in judging contests. In some instances this may have caused some sacrifices at home or work by you, the parents or employer.

With the type of leadership, citizenship, and enthusiasm which will be exhibited during Convention Week, it will demonstrate and emphasize that these young men and women are establishing A Future For America.



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During his career, Becker has carried out a major teaching and research effort in the area of farmer cooperatives. He was cited at the honor banquet for "assisting greatly the farmer cooperatives of Pennsylvania in areas of business management and policy during his 28 years on the College of Agriculture faculty."

"We welcome this opportunity to express our deep appreciation and gratitude for your sincere interest, good council, helpful instruction, and genuine friendship which you have



Clare A. Becker

shared with us over many years. We wish you well in your continuing efforts toward the betterment of rural life and the agricultural industry," stated Edward J. Hartnett of Harrisburg, president of the association.

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