

Research costs little per person in state

UNIVERSITY PARK - A bargain in costs of research was reported recently at Penn State University Research in agriculture at Penn State costs each citizen of the Commonwealth about 64 cents a year, stated Dr. James M. Beattie, Dean of the College of Agriculture, during the November meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Beattie described what he termed "significant benefits of research." His list included control of plant and animal diseases as well as development of new varieties of food crops for humans and feed crops for livestock.

"There has been notable research at Penn State dealing with improved nutrition for livestock, better pest control measures, renovation of strip mine spoil banks, and improved usage and disposal of waste materials," he claimed.

Since 1911, he said, there have been over 140 new plant varieties introduced by scientists with the

Agricultural Experiment Station at Penn State. Dr. Beattie serves as Director of the Experiment Station and the Cooperative Extension Service, as well as Dean.

He indicated Penn State scientists have published research information in over 800 bulletins, more than 350 progress reports, and some 4,600 journal articles and technical publications.

In addition, "Science in Agriculture," the quarterly magazine of the Experiment Station, presents research findings in popular language. He further pointed out that the results of research are described in hundreds of new articles, radio broadcasts, and television programs annually.

This year, said Beattie, scientists in the 50 states are celebrating the 100th anniversary of the agricultural experiment stations of the state universities.

He presented bronze medals to board members, commemorating the centennial of this research effort

which has played a major role in making the United States the most productive agricultural nation in the World.

"Research carried out at the agricultural experiment stations ultimately benefits all consumers. Research like that at Penn State makes it possible for 5 per cent of the nation's population to produce the food and fiber needed for the entire nation - as well as about 22 billion dollars worth of food exports," the Penn State Dean of Agriculture said.

He noted that the Pennsylvania Agricultural Experiment Station was established in 1887. In that year, the U.S. Congress passed the Hatch Act which provided funds to establish an experimental station in each state and territory. Financial support comes from state and federal funds, as well as from gifts and grants by private firms and individuals.

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Park personnel needed

HARRISBURG - William C. Forrey, Director of State Parks for the Department of Environmental Resources, said recently the Pennsylvania Civil Service Commission is accepting applications for lifeguards and lifeguard supervisors in the Parks.

Persons interested in these positions can obtain Announcement 57-75 and application forms from State Civil Service Commission Offices in Harrisburg, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh and from State Park offices throughout the State.

Applications must be filed with the Commission by January 16, 1976.

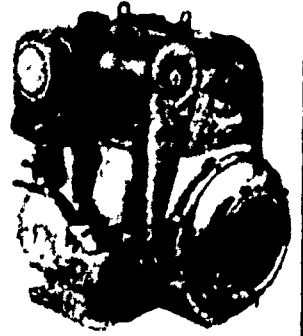
Announcement 57-75 lists those Parks which will require an estimated 120 new

lifeguards and 30 new supervisors for the 1976 season. The announcement also contains a description of the positions, qualifications required and examination and application procedures.

Weather permitting, public swimming facilities in State Parks are open daily between 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. from Memorial Day through Labor Day. Lifeguards and supervisors are required to work weekends and holidays and frequently must work overtime. They are required to purchase their own swim suits in a model specified by the Department.

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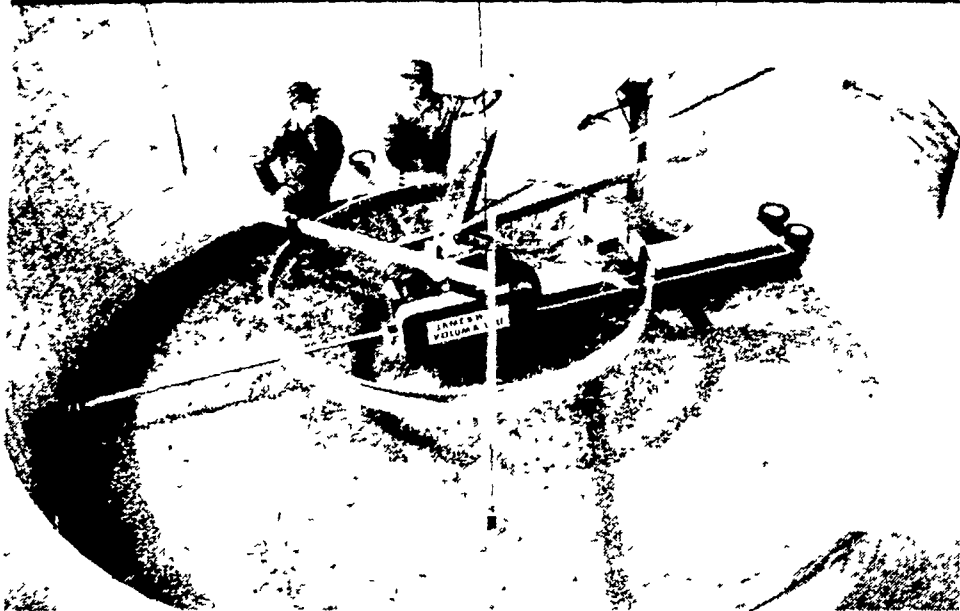


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