# GSYF meeting to feature forage crops

The Garden Spot Young Yocum, director of the this area of management is becoming more popular Farmers will sponsor a Pennsylvania State that will be explored at this and the knowledge needed to Forage management University's Southeast meeting on Tuesday at 7:45 Penna. Field Research p.m. in the agriculture Laboratory at Landisville. School. Areas of study will potato leafhopper, blotchleaf center on disease, insect and minor, and anthracnose weed control, variety have been particularly. selection, and harvest damaging to alfalfa. Proper management. The speaker management can eliminate

classroom of the High The last several years the for this meeting will be John much of the damage and it is

Several new varieties have been developed to help combat some of the disease more prevalent and data will be available on the effectiveness and yield potential of these varieties.

Harvesting hay crop silage

that will be explored at this and the knowledge needed to management - meeting. make high quality hay silage will be discussed. Forage analysis is revealing much heat damaged protein due to problems that are becoming improper storage management, as well as harvesting practices that can minimize protein loss.

With hay prices running close to \$100.00 per ton for

quality alfalfa, alfalfa is truly the "Queen of Forages." Proper management can return

many dollars worth of feeding value and return per acre. Plan to attend. Refreshments will be ser-

# 1976 tobacco program proposed

WASHINGTON - The U.S. Department of Agriculture recently announced a proposed loan program for 1976crop tobacco, with loans at higher levels than in 1975 to reflect increases in the index of prices paid by farmers, A including wage rates, interest and taxes. Under the proposed program, loans will be made as in the past to associations under contract with Commodity Credit Corporation.

The proposed 1976-crop loan rates and the comparable 1975 rates follow:

Kind of Tobacco

1975 Crop 1976 Crop

(Cents per pound) Flu-cured, types 11-14 93.2 106.0 Burley, type 31 109.3 96.1 Virginia fire-cured, type 21 65.2 **74.1** Kentucky-Tennessee fire-cured, type 22-23 74.1 Dark air-cured, types 35-36 65.9 Virginia sun-cured, type 37 58.0 65.9 Cigar binder, types 51-52 66.5 75.6 Cigar filler & binder, types 42-44, 53-55 48.0 54.6 Puerto Rican, type 46 49.9 56.7

The association to which loans are made will he authorized to withhold one cent per pound from the advances to producers to help defray association administrative expenses.

Under the proposed program, consideration is being

given to amending the regulations to delete provisions under which tobacco produced on federally owned land is ineligible for loan.

Comments, suggestions or recommendations regarding the proposed loan program should be submitted in writing to the director, Tobacco and Peanut Division, Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250, where they will be available for inspection. Those received by April 29 will be considered before final action

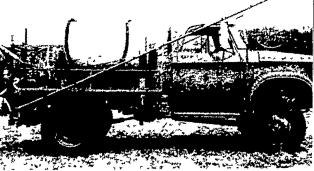


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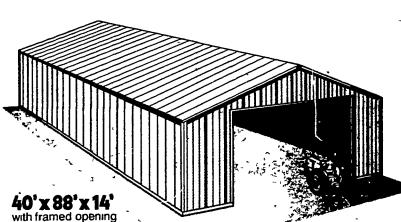
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