

OSHA asked for more time

ANNAPOLIS, Md. - Maryland Secretary of Agriculture Young D. Hance, acting on behalf of farmers around the state, has asked U.S. Labor Department officials to delay promulgating a new occupational safety regulation which will adversely affect farm operations here if enforced effective June 7th.

In a letter to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, the state agriculture official has requested a six-month delay in requiring farmers to install shields on the power take-off on tractors.

Supporting his request, he

cited the fact that federal authorities have failed to disseminate information to farmers or to the farm equipment dealers as to precisely what is required.

He also pointed out that he, himself a farmer, has experienced delays in obtaining shipment of required shields from the manufacturer.

"It would seem," wrote Hance to OSHA, "that at this busy time of the year that a six-month extension of the deadline would be in order."

Commenting on the OSHA regulation Hance remarked that while, "there is a constant need for farmers to observe sensible safety

regulations, they should not be expected to make expensive and often complex changes in existing equipment without adequate advance notice and information from the agency that makes the rules."

TRY A CLASSIFIED

Now is the time

[Continued from Page 10] either Malathion, Methoxychlor, or Dimethoate (Cygon). Too many growers wait until they see the yellowing of the small plants before they apply the insecticide. A sweep over the plants with a hat or insect net should be made to determine the infestation. Every grower should try to get maximum second and third cuttings by controlling the leaf hoppers this summer; prevention of any damage before it happens is suggested, rather than to attempt to stop the insects after they have appeared.

TO PROVIDE FARM POND SAFETY . . . Hot weather is just around the corner and the farm pond

becomes a very popular place for both young and old; however, it can be a dangerous place if swimmers and owner are reckless. We urge that owners provide rescue equipment at the pond at all time; this could include a wooden raft, a boat, ropes, wooden ladders, or other items that could be used to rescue someone in trouble in deep water. Keep them at the side of the pond for immediate use; to have to run and get one of the rescue pieces of equipment in the barn or garage might take too long and be too late in using. Swimmers should not be allowed to swim alone at any time. Pond owners are urged to stress pond safety measures at all times.

What's New

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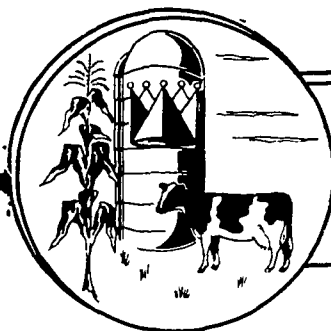
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etc. Complete label instructions should be followed.

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Read the Farm Women Calendar.



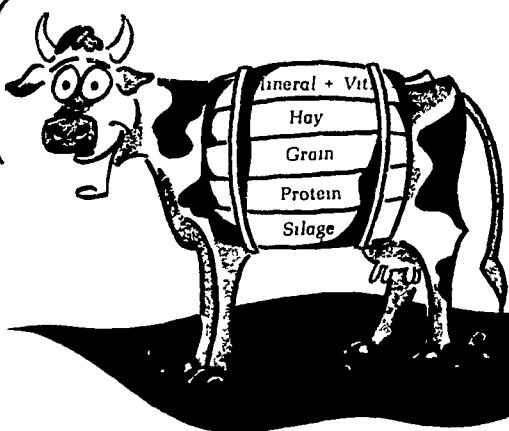
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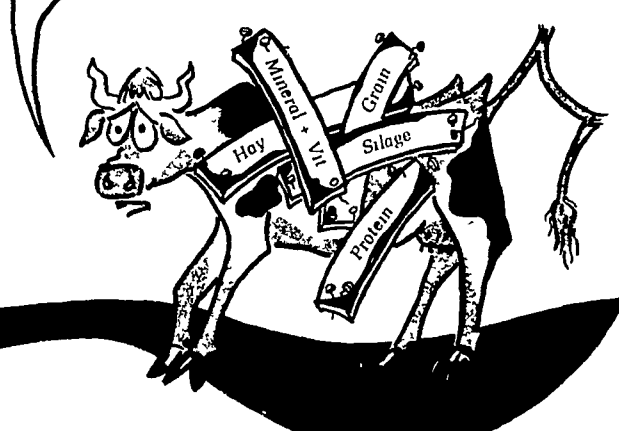
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