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For the first time since the inception of the organization, the Pennsylvania Poultry Federation bestowed Industryman of the Year awards to an individual in each of the three divisions of the organization. A. Eugene Bailey (left rear) received the Broiler Industryman of the Year award, Glenn

Kime (center) was named Turkey Industryman of the Year; and Robert Shelly earned the industryman honor in the egg division. Seated in front of the men are their wives. Left to right, they are Lillian Bailey, Evelyn Kime, and Betty Shelly.

## Poultry industrymen honored

By JOANNE SPAHR  
LANCASTER, Pa. - The bestowing of three of the most highly prestigious and coveted awards within Pennsylvania's poultry industry climaxed a day-

long poultry conference and banquet held at the Host Farm Resort last Thursday by the Pennsylvania Poultry Federation.  
Before an audience of well over 200 producers and allied

industryman, A. Eugene Bailey, division manager of the broiler meat division of Pennfield Corporation, was named broiler industryman of the year. The honor of Egg Industryman of the Year

was bestowed upon Robert S. Shelly, president of Producers Pride, Inc., Worcester, Pa., and the title of Turkey Industryman of

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## Family farms threatened again

EDITOR'S NOTE: Earlier this year a group of investment firms attempted to buy up huge tracts of land in the Midwest. It was known as Ag-Land Fund I and was disallowed by the American

government after farmers and farm organizations blew the whistle on the scheme. More recently, a new threat to family has been discovered in California. According to California

Grange Master Chester Deaver, "nothing illegal has been found in the scheme so far, but in my opinion it's morally wrong." The following account of the situation is reprinted from

the National Grange's newsletter, "View from the Hill."

WASHINGTON, D.C. - A new proposal to accelerate

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## Alfalfa looking good but seeds scarce

By DIETER KRIEG  
RUSSELLVILLE - After a short first cutting, alfalfa stands in southeastern nice comeback and prospects for decent crops are looking pretty good. That's the verdict of Chester County Agricultural Agent

Glenn Shirk, who adds that "the absence of excess moisture" in May could be interpreted as having been beneficial to the crop. "Alfalfa has made a tremendous comeback," he asserts.

The situation for alfalfa seed is not so good, however. A scarcity is expected this Summer and it'll likely last for a year - possibly several years - according to some sources. Penn State University's Extension

agronomist, John Baylor, told a group of Chester County farmers meeting here on Tuesday that seed supplies are at an all-time low. "An August seeding of

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## New vehicle code bypasses farmers

HARRISBURG - Pennsylvania's Secretary of Transportation, James Wilson, issued an order this week which will allow farmers to operate their farm implements as they have in the past. Earlier, the rules

and regulations for farm equipment were to be revamped as part of a package program which overhauls the entire Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code. The new rules of the road - as they apply to

motorists, truckers and pedestrians - go into effect on July 1. Segments of the law which deal with farm equipment, however, will remain unchanged from the 1959 regulations or as they have since been amended.

According to Warren Lamb, Berks County legislator and member of the House Agriculture Committee, the measure undertaken by Smith is only

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## Raspberries small crop - over shortly

By JOANNE SPAHR  
LANCASTER, Pa. - If you have a hankering for raspberries, but haven't gotten around to buying any as yet, you'd better hurry out and purchase a quart or two. According to growers, the majority of this year's crop will be gone by next weekend with only a few stragglers remaining.

Normally a short crop, this year's supply was reported to be even smaller than usual due to freezing temperatures early in the year and dry weather later in the Spring. Growers affirmed that demand for this juicy fruit was high, as well.

Clarence Eckman, of Eckman's Fruit Farm, Conestoga R2, told Lancaster Farming last Tuesday that many of the canes and tops of his stalks froze during last Winter's severe temperatures and for this reason, didn't push out as many berries.

Fortunately for growers, rains came at just the right time to alleviate a dry spell that could have caused the berry size to be small this year. According to Rudy Grob, of Amos Funk's Farm Market, Millersville R1, the moisture was timed nicely,

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