

## MASCD meeting slated

ANNAPOLIS, Md. - The Maryland Association of Soil Conservation Districts (MASCD) will hold its annual meeting July 20-22 at the Tideater Inn, Easton, Md.

The meeting brings together people with active interests in conserving natural resources. Attending will be the supervisors of the state's 24 soil conservation districts as well as

representatives from various government agencies.

The districts, formed generally along county boundaries, are responsible for carrying out their local soil and water conservation program. With technical assistance from the USDA's

Soil Conservation Service and other local, state, and federal agencies, they provide help to both urban and agricultural landowners in establishing conservation practices.

Rep. Robert E. Bauman (R) will be the guest speaker

at the banquet Thursday evening.

Some of the topics to be discussed are Section 208 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972, a law stating that all

waters must be fishable and swimmable by 1983; shore erosion; strip mine reclamation; and other conservation problems.

The meeting is open to the public.

## Hog seminar planned

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, ILL. - Hundreds of hog producers from all over the United States and Canada are expected to attend the North American Swine Seminar to be held July 21 through 23, 1977 in St. Louis, Mo.

The seminar, sponsored by A.O. Smith Harvestore Products, Inc., and its dealers, will deal with efficient and profitable methods of feeding swine. It will be headquartered in Stouffers River Front Towers Hotel.

Strong emphasis will be given to successful methods

of feeding high-moisture corn to swine at all stages of production - and haylage to sows.

Speakers at the seminar will include a number of successful hog producers and farm wives who play a large part in managing swine operations, as well as experts on manure management and proper formulation of swine rations.

Those attending the seminar will have an opportunity to visit a modern swine production enterprise near St. Louis. A variety of entertainment will be offered in conjunction with the seminar.

## Milk bulletin printed

WASHINGTON, D.C. - A new annual compilation of "Federal Milk Order Market Statistics" has been issued by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

The 128-page tabular bulletin brings together data from monthly reports published during 1976 on quantities of milk priced under the orders. It summarizes prices and uses made of milk, including sales of various fluid milk products. It also includes information on the number of handlers, marketing area population, and gross values of milk.

H.L. Forest, dairy official in USDA's Agricultural

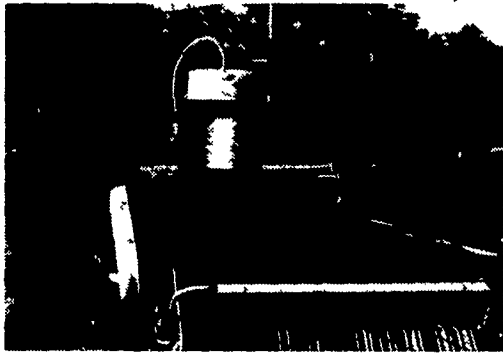
Marketing Service (AMS), said federal milk marketing orders regulate prices to farmers for more than 65 per cent of the milk sold to plants and dealers in the United States. The orders help maintain orderly marketing conditions, reasonable price to farmers, and a steady supply of milk for consumers, Forest said.

Single copies of "Federal Milk Order Market Statistics - Annual Summary for 1976," Statistical Bulletin No. 575, may be obtained by postcard request from the Office of Communication, U.S. Department of Agriculture Washington, D.C. 20250. Please include your zipcode

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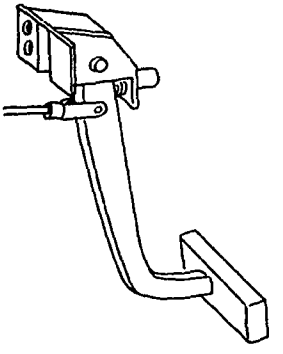
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