## College to sponsor farm labor series

GETTYSBURG — Gettysburg College will sponsor a series of six weekly presentation and discussions in April and May which will consider the role of migrant farmlabor in Adams County.

The discussions, which are open to the public, will be held on successive Wednesday evenings from April 19 through May 24, and will be divided between Upper Adams and Gettysburg locations to be announced later. Representatives of the migrant work force, county fruit growers, service organizations, the community, businesses and Gettysburg College will participate.

The program is being designed to respond to the human need of farmlabor

and the general community as evidenced in Adams County.

The program's originator and director is Dr. John C. Miller, chairman of the Romance Languages Department at Gettysburg College.

The series will attempt to provide a setting for proper assessment of the farmworkers' role in Adams County, and will also attempt to examine the effect which cultural differences play in community attitudes toward farmlabor, Dr. Miller said that he hoped that, through this program, Gettysburg College would be "brought more directly into the community as a participant in its issues."

policy issue discussions, Dr. Miller said that emphasis would be given to a sharing of views. "Thus we feel that we will be reinforcing a basic ingredient of government - the importance of discussing alternatives and choosing those which best meet the needs of all society." He said that a major objective of the program will be to "discuss basic concerns of both farmlaborers and growers with the support of service organizations and government."

Since the sessions will fall

within the context of public

Opportunities will also be given for the local community to "direct its own destiny without having solutions imposed from the outside," said the program director. "In this way, we hope to encourage new local mitiatives which would have the community more fully understand this very

complex social and economic force in our midst."

The topics for each of the six sessions are as follows:. April 19: The Farmworker Experience: An Invisible Workforce; The Economics of the Farmworker/Adams County; April 26: The Farmworkers' Contribution to Adams County: A Grower's Perspective; May 3: Culture in Conflict: From Island to Camp (Hispanic), From Rural South to Minority Culture (Black); May 10: Education and the Farmworker: May 17: Public Health and the Farmworker; May 24: Social Service Needs and the Farmworker.

Participants in the sessions will be announced at a later date.

For further information, one can contact Dr. Miller or Elizabeth Martin, administrative coordinator, at 334-3131.

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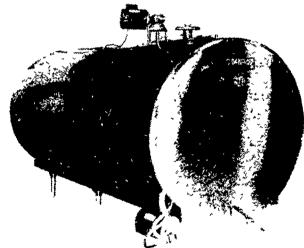
major ports of entry. Inside these belts, surveyors in "Project Pest Alert" worked out a systematic plan to detect foreign plant pests that may have eluded the rigid federal inspection system at U.S. ports of en-

Three specimens of exotic pests were detected. Two scentless plant bugs were found in New Jersey and a cucurbit weevil in South Carolina. Followup surveys failed to turn up additional invaders in both cases. Pending further checks in 1978, APHIS officials believed the findings do not indicate successful establishment of the pests.



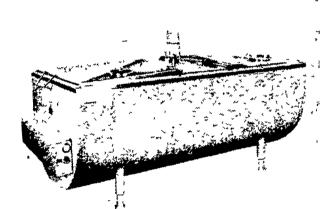
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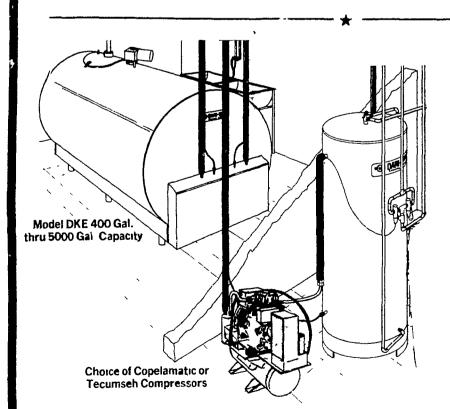
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