

# Sheep industry must 'stay in pace'

By JOAN LIESAU  
HARRISBURG - More ewes are needed for replacements if the state expansion programs are to continue growing was the general consensus of representatives at the Eastern Seaboard Sheep Council meeting held in Harrisburg, November 5.

Keynote speaker for the evening was Richard Biglin, executive director of the American Sheep Producers Council, Denver, Colo. Biglin spoke in concern of the importation of lamb to the West Coast. "If we don't hold and build our own market, they are going to take it away from us" he said. "We would like to get more domestic lamb available." Right now we are faced with all kinds of crisis he said. "We must step back and see that the sheep industry stays in pace with change."

Biglin spoke of educational materials the Council



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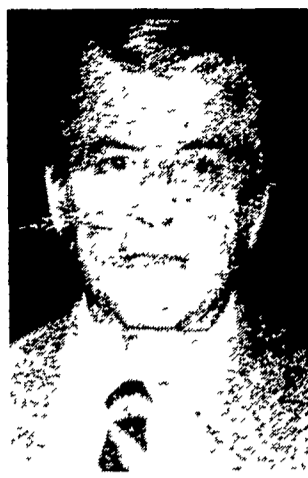
prepares, "over one million pieces of wool education alone, have been sent out this year." The Council also prepares lamb education material, newspaper advertisements, publicity materials, and films.

Biglin reported on the success of the "Tall Timber Tours." These tours are an intensive, condensed tour covering lamb and wool, with distinguished media

representatives as guests. Various media have given wide coverage of the tours they have attended. Two examples given were the New York Times "Lambs a Rocky Mountain Roast" feature and a five page feature in the latest issue of Esquire magazine.

Walter Streightoff, regional manager for ASPC, indicated the East Coast needs more commercial lamb feeding so slaughter plants won't close down. Streightoff said "grass in September and October is free feed for feeder lambs out West. He suggested we do more thinking about feeding Western lambs during those "free feed" Fall months.

Streightoff indicated there was a 12 cent spread (1.25 light weight, and 1.12 breaking size) between the light and breaking stock at



Richard Biglin

this time with wholesalers. "Next year I wouldn't be a bit surprised if this reversed. In a years time this type (heavier lamb) should be the most desirable lamb around" he said, as he indicated the future was in feeder lambs.

Lee Ann Nelson, director of education for the Council, presented three films. Two

of which are available to producers and one which features Mrs. Perry, a New Jersey Dorset breeder's farm, which will be presented on television, educating people "Why to Wear Wool."


## New ag facility at U. of Del.

NEWARK, Del. - A groundbreaking ceremony was held, Oct. 14 on the University of Delaware campus in Newark, to mark the official start of construction of George M. Worrilow Hall, a new research and laboratory facility for the university's College of Agricultural Sciences.

The new structure will provide urgently needed space for research laboratories, to be used by students and faculty in the plant science, animal science, entomology and agricultural engineering disciplines of the college. All faculty offices will remain in the present building, Agricultural Hall. Scheduled for occupancy

in September, 1980, Worrilow Hall will be located just north of Agricultural Hall, on the university farm. A connecting link between the two buildings will provide sheltered access.

The building is named in honor of Dr. Worrilow, who had a long, varied and distinguished career of service to the state and the University of Delaware. His 45 years at the university were marked by service as assistant county agricultural agent, 4-H Club agent and state leader, professor of dairy husbandry, director of the Agricultural Experiment Station and Cooperative Extension Service, dean of the College of Agricultural Sciences and vice president for university relations.



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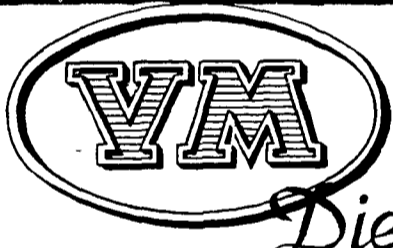
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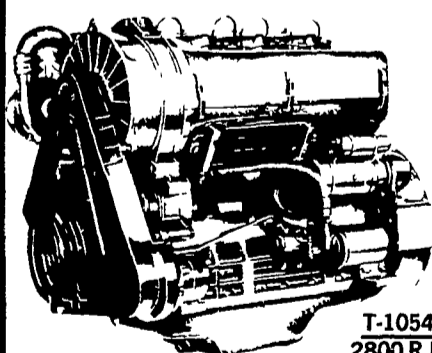
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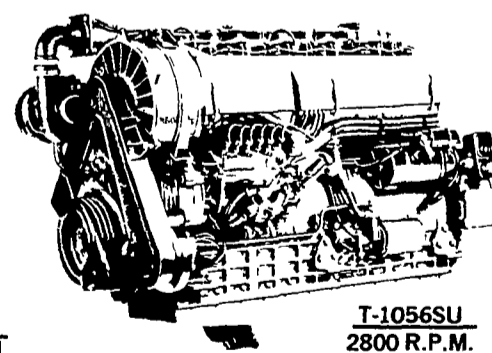
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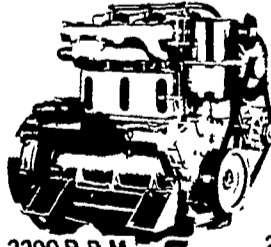


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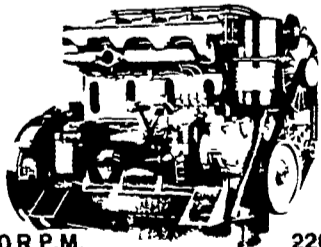


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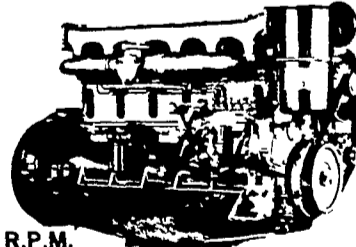
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