

Penrose Hallowell names Bud Wallis as head of Bureau of Plant Industry

HARRISBURG — Edwin B. (Bud) Wallis, Jr., 52, of Liverpool R1, Perry County, has been appointed as the Director of the Agriculture Department's Bureau of Plant Industry by State Agriculture Secretary Penrose Hallowell. Wallis assumed his new duties with the Department on March 28.

Hallowell said he was extremely pleased that Wallis had accepted the appointment. He cited Wallis' strong background in agriculture, marketing and government as positive factors in his selection to fill the position.

"Bud has been an active member of the farm-market community for many years," Hallowell said. "In addition, he has demonstrated his desire for public service both through elective office and community service. I am confident that he will do an excellent job in helping this administration improve services to the agricultural sector of our commonwealth."

As Director of the Bureau of Plant Industry, Wallis will be responsible for the administration of programs which are aimed at protecting the state's agriculture from plant pests

and plant diseases. The Bureau regulates the sale and content of feeds, fertilizers, soil amendments, lime and seeds. Wallis will also supervise the administration of the Pesticide Control Act of 1974.

Wallis, who graduated from Liverpool High School in 1944, is president and production manager of Edwin Wallis and Sons, Inc., and co-owner of Kline Brothers, Inc., family corporations which produce eggs, broiler chickens and fruit, and process and market eggs.

Since 1971 he has served as County Commissioner for Perry County, four years as Chairman. Wallis has served as the Tri-County Human Service Council president, president of the South Central Commissioners Association, and first vice-president of the SEDA-COG, an 11 county planning unit.

Active in community organizations, Wallis is a member and past president of the Liverpool Lions Club, a member of the Lafayette Masonic Lodge #194, the Perry-Juniata Shrine, the Harrisburg Consistory and Zembo Shrine. He served as Scoutmaster for 18 years, and is currently serving his fifth year as a director of the

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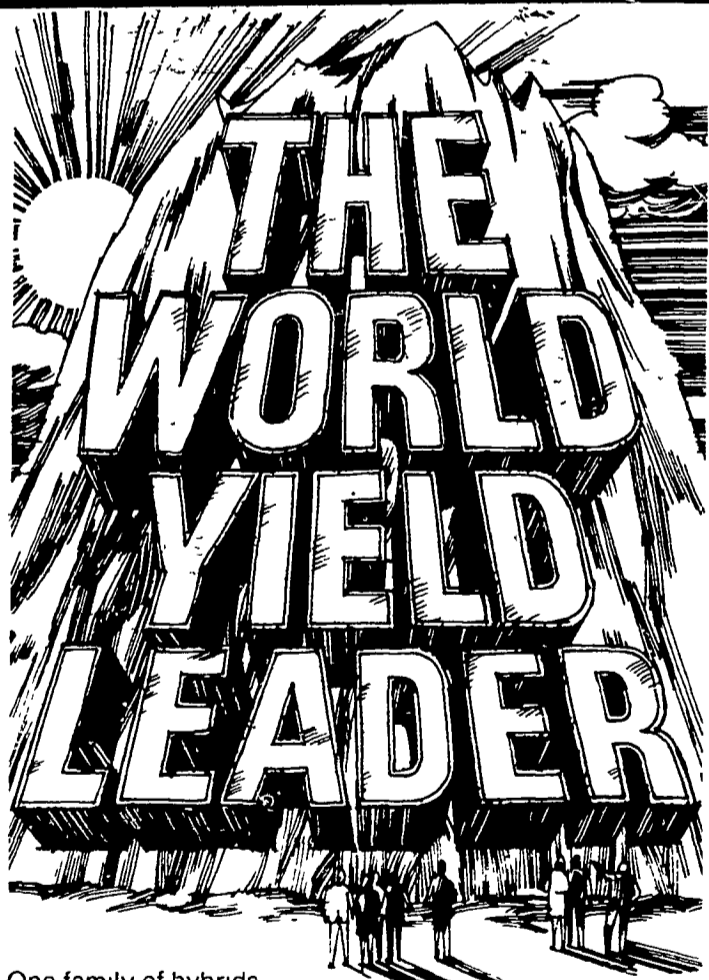
He is a director and former secretary of the Pennsylvania State Poultry Federation. A former president and membership chairman of the Perry, County Farmers' Association, Wallis worked actively for 12 years with the Pennsylvania Farmers' Association on membership efforts.

A member of the Liverpool Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, Wallis teaches Sunday School.

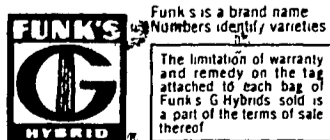
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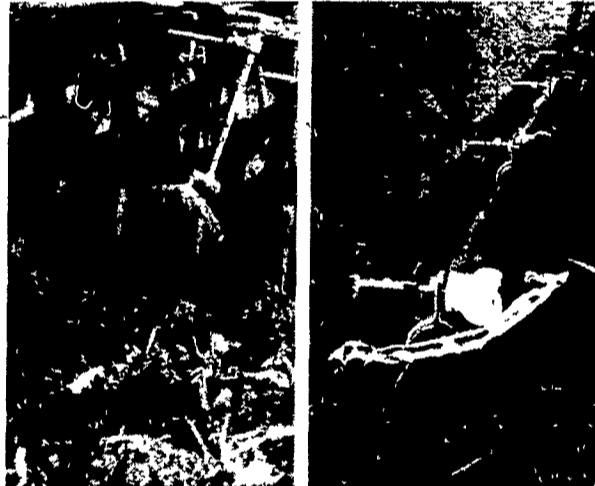
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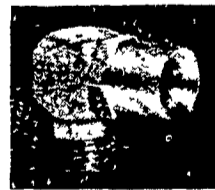


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