

Internal parasite control essential for sheep

By KENDACE BERRY
DOYLESTOWN — "All sheep have internal parasites," Mike Fournier, Extension county agent for Bucks County stated. "It's up to you to decide how to handle the problem."

Speaking at the special sheep seminar held last Saturday at Delaware Valley College, he related that internal parasites are the chief disease problem of Pa. sheep. He told that a basic understanding of the conditions which foster the development of flock parasite problems is necessary in order to take

control measures that will succeed. Those who stay in the sheep business and are successful, he stressed, learn how to manage sheep on their farms so that the worms are kept under control with a minimum of labor and medicine.

Fournier told his audience that there are several different kinds of internal parasites which can infect sheep. These include nematodes; stomach and intestinal roundworms and lungworms; cestatodes tapeworms; trematodes flukes; and protozoa coccidia. In Pennsylvania,

the two worms most prominent are the roundworms and the tapeworms. And in certain areas, lungworms are also a problem.

To combat the worm problems, several drugs are used. Most can be purchased at feed stores or obtained through catalogues.

Each drug has a specific purpose in the worming program and the drugs should be used in combinations to assure that all worms are treated.

The drugs Fournier told of for use against internal parasites included:

Thiabendazole, a drug used mainly to control stomach and intestinal roundworms; it is effective and safe even when overdosed.

Tramisol, the only drug effective against lungworm, it is also effective against stomach and intestinal roundworms.

Phenothiazine, which has not been used as much since thiabendazole development, it is used for stomach intestinal roundworms.

Haloxon (Loxon), an organic phosphate drug that is relatively safe and highly effective against stomach and intestinal roundworms.

Copper Sulfate-Nicotine Sulfate Solution, too toxic for young lambs or weak emaciated sheep, it has some effect on tapeworms.

Lead arsenate, very dangerous and very difficult if not impossible to obtain, it



Mike Fournier, Extension agent in Bucks County, shows one of many methods to worm a sheep at the recent sheep seminar held at Delaware Valley College.



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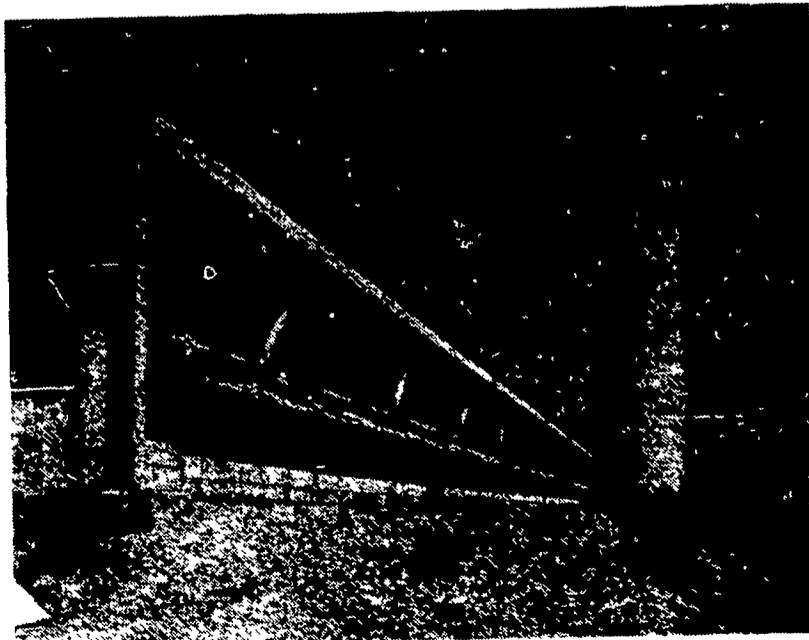
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