## Agronomist receives extension award

**UNIVERSITY PARK - W.** Wayne Hinish, professor of agronomy extension at Penn State, has been named recipient of the 1979 Cooperative Extension Service Award.

The annual award is presented to a member of the state Cooperative Extension Service staff for outstanding educational programming. Hinish was honored during the recent Extension Conference on the University Park Campus.

In citing his ac-complishments, Thomas B. King, Penn State associate dean for extension, said Hinish has conducted outstanding programs in the areas of soil fertility and plant nutrition.

In charge of the Penn State soil testing program since 1956, he combined soil physical characteristics and soil survey information in determining lime and fertilizer recommendations. He computerized the program and designed an innovative, colored bar-graph soil test report which has been adopted by many states.

Under his leadership, this testing program has grown from about 20,000 samples per year to 70,000. Some 20 percent of the state's farmers use this program to determine lime and fertilizer needs.

As coordinator of agronomy extension programs, Hinish has brought together ag-industry representatives, farmers, government agency and extension personnel to plan and develop educational programs and publications



W. Wayne Hinish, left, professor of agronomy extension, receives 1979 Cooperative Extension Service Award from Thomas B. King, Penn State associate dean for extension.

benefiting the entire agricultural economy.

The award recipient has authored or co-authored more than 60 technical reports, journal articles, bulletins, and popular ar-ticles. Most of this information is disseminated to farmers, growers, and agindustry personnel in the eastern states.

Hinish has developed numerous Ag Service Schools held annually in eight locations within Pennsylvania. He also

helped organize and is responsible for the agronomic activities of Pennsylvania's Unit Demonstration Farm Program, a coooperative project with the Tennesse Valley Authority.

He has been consultant to various state and county government agencies serving agriculture. His expertise was used by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture to help formulate new lime and fertilizer laws to benefit both producer and consumer.

In 1979, Hinish administered plant science programs in four computer workshops held throughout the United States.

He was honored as Man of the Year by the Pennsylvania Plant Food and Protectant Society in 1977; received the Extension Merit Award from Gamma Sigma Delta Society, and Extension-Industry Award from the northeastern branch of the American Society of Agronomy in 1978. A native of Quarryville, Blair County, he received three degrees from Penn State.

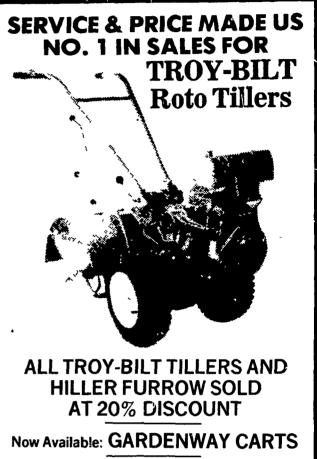
He is married to the former Janet Emigh, of Roaring Springs. They are the parents of two children.

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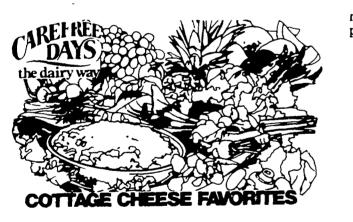


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