

Peach Council promotes national convention

MARTINSBURG, WV — Advance registration for the National Peach Council Convention February 18-21 in Orlando, Florida, are well ahead of registrations in previous years, according to NPC First Vice President Douglas Zee.

Zee, who has primary responsibility for the Council's 39th Annual Convention is urging those who haven't gotten their advance registrations in the mail to do so immediately.

"Special advance registrations rates, which save \$15 per person, end

January 10," Zee warned. Until that time, registration fees are: Men, \$125; Women, \$100; Children (6 to 18), \$65. Children who want to be part of the special children's program at the convention must be pre-registered.

With the convention scheduled to formally open on Monday night, February 18, with the annual President's Reception, the Sheraton-Twin Towers Hotel, where the convention will be held, has already sold out all rooms for the Saturday and Sunday nights

preceding that opening event.

"We still have what we hope will be an adequate number of sleeping rooms held for the actual convention period," Zee said, "but they are being released only to those who send in a convention registration. February is a busy time in Orlando, so we are keeping the rooms we have just for those who will be attending our meeting."

With 53 booth spaces sold for the convention exhibit area, and an excellent

program and series of special events planned. NPC's 1980 convention will offer many firsts for a peach growers' meeting.

One evening has been set aside for a family night party at Circus World, for example.

That evening will start with a clown reception at the Sheraton-Towers where clown-make-up will be applied to anyone who feels like joining in that part of the fun.

Then it will be a bus ride to Circus World where NPC will have exclusive use of the

facilities for the evening. Food, beer, and soft drinks will be available in abundance, the roller coaster will be open to all who dare to ride its speeding cars, and, circus instructors will first demonstrate their abilities then invite members of the NPC group onto the trapeze, highwire and trampoline, or let them try their hand at juggling.

All this, and other special events, will be in addition to a well-rounded and informative program which will provide information

about production, handling, marketing, and decision making.

The final morning session will feature a "Peach Blossom Special" program by growers' children, and an inspirational and motivational talk by Winston K. Pendleton.

Advance registrations should be sent to: National Peach Council, P.O. Box 1085, Martinsburg, WV 25401

Additional information may be obtained by calling the NPC office at 304/267-6024, Zee said.

Penn schedules vet conference

PHILADELPHIA — An institution at the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine, the Penn Annual Conference will be held for the 80th consecutive year on Wednesday, Jan. 30, and Thursday, Jan. 31, 1980, at the Hilton Hotel, 34th St. and Civic Center Boulevard in Philadelphia.

The event, formally known as the Pennsylvania Conference of Veterinarians, was founded in 1900 by Dr. Leonard Pearson, the dean responsible for construction of the older part of the school's present quarters.

The purpose of the conference is to bring together speakers having wide experience in veterinary medicine, many of whom are members of the faculty of the school, with alumni, other veterinarians and exhibitors to discuss various aspects of veterinary science.

Wednesday morning will be devoted to sessions on large and small animal pediatrics. These sessions will focus on genetic and other diseases of new born and young dogs, as well as the immunology, respiratory and other diseases of new born foals.

A general session, in the afternoon will include reports on various aspects of the School of Veterinary Medicine, and the Gaines Penn Annual Conference Lecture which will be delivered by William Jackson, D.V.M., president of the American Veterinary Medical Association.

The second day will be given to clinical close ups, 18 presentations of actual clinical case material which demonstrate recent advances in veterinary medicine.

Topics include non-domestic pet medicine, which will be discussed by Dr. Wilbur Amand, director and senior veterinarian of the Philadelphia Zoological Garden; critical care

anesthesia for small animals, cardiovascular problems in cattle and a broad range of other topics.

In the words of Dr. Pearson: "It is natural that such knowledge should be expected of veterinarians, but in order to have it in available form and always up to date, the brightening, freshening, instructive influences of a Conference with experts appears to be necessary."

Registration for the conference is \$70.00 and includes the reception, Wednesday evening. Hotel reservations should be made directly with the Hilton.

Peach producers seek outstanding individual

MARTINSBURG, W.Va. — In agriculture, the efforts of a comparatively small number of individuals have had far-reaching effects.

In some cases they were geniuses such as Luther Burbank, in other cases they have been industry leaders who gave heavily of their time and energy with little recognition for their efforts.

National Peach Council has been recognizing, for the last 12 years, some of the people who have done much for the peach industry. In 1968 the first National Peach

Council Achievement Award was presented to Frank Street of Henderson, KY, and one or more persons has received the award each year since that time.

Recipients of the award include several researchers, some of whom were little known to the average peach producer, but they had performed research of far-reaching importance to the

industry. There have also been several producers whose contributions to the industry have caused their peers to give them this special recognition.

Now the Awards Committee of National Peach Council is seeking nominations for this special industry recognition.

Jimmy Harrison Jr., chairman of the committee,

points out that no person or committee within the industry can possibly know about all of the growers, researchers and allied industry people whose efforts have improved the production, handling or selling of peaches, or whose efforts have benefitted National Peach Council or the industry in other ways.

These ways could include work on labor problems, or on matters which concern Congress or Federal agencies.

"This is not a popularity contest," Harrison said "We would even prefer that nominees not be told that their names are being submitted, provided enough materials to show their qualifications can be gathered without them being aware of the planned nomination."

Names of nominees, whether the nomination is for one person or more than one person, are not publicized by the Awards Committee.

Nominations may be made by persons both inside and outside the peach industry. They should be addressed to Awards Committee, National Peach Council, P.O. Box 1085, Martinsburg, WV 25401.

N.J. produce firm has license suspended

JERSEY CITY, N.J. — The produce trading license of Greer Bros. Dist., Inc. of Jersey City, N.J. was suspended by the U.S. Department of Agriculture on Nov. 21, after the firm failed to pay a reparation award of \$3040.

The department's Agricultural Marketing Service set the award in favor of a Florida shipper for two lots of mixed vegetables shipped in January, 1979.

The firm failed to answer the charges, and the department ordered payment of the amount claimed.

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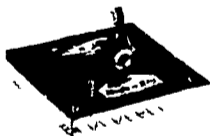
produce business under the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act until the award is paid.

In addition, the firm's officers, directors and major stockholders—Albert Greer, Jr. and Emanuel Greer—may not be employed by or affiliated with any PACA licensee without the department's approval.

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