

# Adams investigation finds no seeding evidence

HARRISBURG — Pennsylvania Agriculture Secretary Penrose Hallowell announced that the Agriculture Department has found no evidence of cloud seeding in Central Pennsylvania.

Hallowell said, "Our efforts have uncovered no evidence which would suggest cloud seeding is being conducted in Adams or Franklin Counties. We have attempted to follow up on

complaints by farmers in Adams County and have discussed these reports of possible cloud seeding with officials from other State Department of Agriculture."

Both the State Police and the Department of Transportation's Bureau of Aviation have pledged their complete cooperation in investigating any further complaints.

"I would again urge any

farmer who sights aircraft suspected of cloud seeding to immediately contact the State Police for investigation while the suspect plane is still in the area," Hallowell said. "I want to stress our sincere desire to have all reports thoroughly and properly investigated."

He noted that Agriculture Department officials had traveled to Delaware and met with the private sector and administrator of the

Delaware Department of Agriculture's experimental Cloud Seeding Program. He said they assured the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture that airplanes involved in the Delaware program never fly into Pennsylvania air space.

The Delaware Cloud Seeding pilot project is aimed at increasing the duration of rainfall and the area over which rains falls. The University of Delaware is evaluating the results of this program, but officials have determined that at least five years of observation will be necessary to fully determine whether the project is successful.

Results of the program to date are incomplete.

Contacts with state government officials in Maryland and West Virginia also failed to uncover any ongoing cloud seeding programs.

Hallowell said the Agriculture Department would continue to work with the farmers in Adams County and would insist on immediate action to investigate any further complaints.

"The Bureau of Criminal Investigation in the State Police has the primary responsibility to investigate Weather Modification problems," he said. "Arrangements have been made to provide proper investigative liaison with this Bureau and with the State Bureau of Aviation."

isolated condition, he noted, but cover the eastern portion of the state. Twenty-four eastern Pennsylvania counties have now been declared federal disaster areas for drought, as have seven counties in neighboring Maryland.

The Maryland Department of Agriculture has suggested that 21 of 23 counties in the state will shortly have a similar disaster area designation.

The drought-like conditions being experienced in Adams County are not an

## York County dairymen to elect co-op director

NEW PARK — It's an election year in Maryland Cooperative Milk Producers' District 7 and the members of that area will hold their annual membership meeting Monday, Oct. 13 at the Centre Presbyterian Church Educational Building in New Park.

The 107 member-producers will nominate a director to be ratified by the total membership at the cooperative's annual meeting in March, for a three year term from March 1981 through February 1984.

Leroy R. Bupp of Seven Valleys, is the incumbent director whose term expires in February 1981.

The remainder of the program, to begin with dinner at 7 p.m., will consist

of reports on national and local milk production and the current status of Holly Milk Plant in Carlisle. In addition, members will be given an update on MCMP's financial condition, including its operating divisions, as well as the current status of the long-range planning commission at the 1979 annual meeting.

Reports will be given by MCMP president, Herbert W. Wessel of Hampstead, business manager Ralph L. Strock of Towson, and district directors Bupp and Emory Kilgore of Airville, Pa. Field representatives for the area are Jerry Ensor of Westminster, Md. Tom Moore of Street, Md., Mack Newton of York, Pa., George Tyson of Port Deposit and

Jay Waybright of Littlestown, Pa.

District 7 is made up solely of York County producers and has more MCMP members than any other county in Pennsylvania. Maryland Cooperative Milk Producers, Inc., the largest Maryland-based cooperative, represents more than 1000 dairy farmers in Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia.

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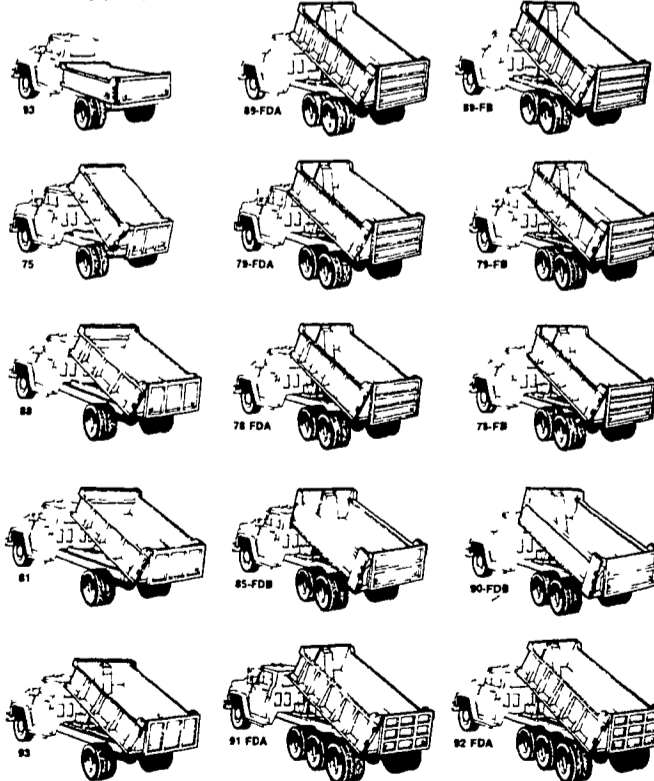
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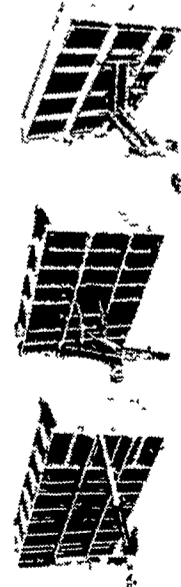
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