

Johnson resigns MDA post

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — Ronald L. Johnson, Director, Division of Marketing, has resigned from the Maryland Department of Agriculture to accept a position with USDA, AFHIS, Plant Protection and Quarantine Pest Program Development



staff according to Secretary of Agriculture, Wayne A. Cawley, Jr.

In announcing Johnson's resignation Secretary Cawley stated he has served as a Division Director with the Department since it was created in 1973. From 1973 until 1979 Johnson served as the first Director of the Division of Plant Industries.

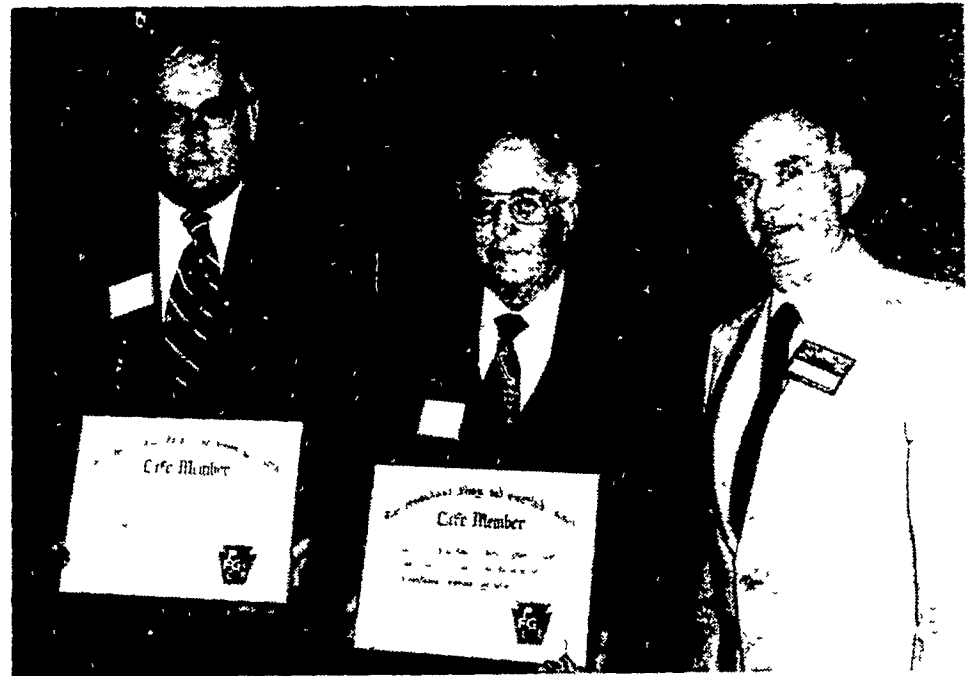
In April, 1979 Johnson took over as Director of the Division of Marketing. Prior to the certain of the Department Johnson served

as the first Executive Secretary of the Maryland Agricultural Commission an advisory body to the old State Board of Agriculture.

"On behalf of the Department of Agriculture I want to thank Ron Johnson for the contributions he has made to the Department and to Maryland agriculture", said Cawley. "We wish him well in his new job with USDA and hope his new work will keep him in contact with Maryland agriculture."

Of Pa. Forage & Grassland Council

Washko, Wolgemuth are lifetime members



Two Pennsylvania agricultural leaders, John Washko, retired Penn State agronomist, left and Charles Wolgemuth, retired superintendent of Milton Hershey School Farms, were named lifetime members of the Pennsylvania Forage and Grassland Council at the organization's recent 20th Anniversary Conference in Hershey. At right is Kenneth Leath, council president and plant pathologist with the USDA Regional Pasture Research Laboratory at Penn State. Washko and Wolgemuth, both past presidents of the Pennsylvania council, were honored for a lifetime of service to the state's agricultural industry. Lester Ray, retired manager of Rolling Rock Farms, Ligonier, also was given a lifetime membership but was unable to attend.



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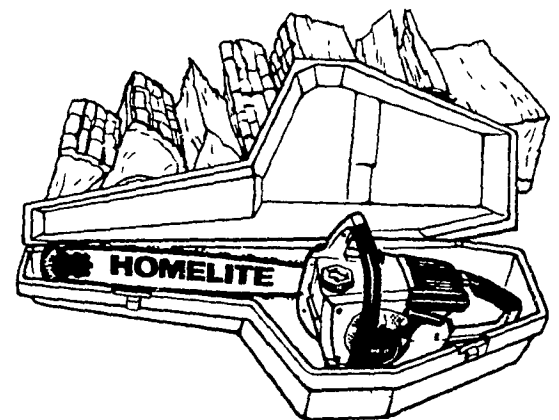
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