

Maryland gets new extension director

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — The University of Maryland has announced appointment of Craig S. Oliver as director of the University of Maryland's statewide Extension Service.

Oliver will assume his new duties as of June 1, 1981.

University of Maryland President John S. Toll said, "Following an extensive nationwide search, I am pleased to

recommend Oliver for this position. He is one of the outstanding individuals in the national agricultural community and has exceptionally fine qualifications to lead the Cooperative Extension Service."

Frank L. Bentz, University vice president for agricultural affairs and legislative relations said, "The Extension Service is one of the most important segments of the

University. Oliver will assume a proud heritage here as he will be only the seventh director since the CES was established in Maryland in 1914. I look forward to working with Oliver and am confident that the work of the Extension Service will go forward under his direction."

At present, Oliver is associate dean of the College of Agriculture and director of the Arizona

Cooperative Extension Service, University of Arizona.

A native of Massachusetts, the new director earned the B.S. degree in agricultural education at Penn State and taught vocational agriculture in both Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

He added the M.Ed. degree at Penn State with a major in agricultural education and a minor in horticulture.

After a four-year stint as assistant professor of horticulture in Pennsylvania, he completed his doctoral studies at the Ohio State University with a double major in Extension administration and horticulture and a minor in research and statistics.

He returned to Penn State where he rose through the ranks to assistant dean and assistant director for agriculture, natural resources and agricultural engineering programs, and professor of ornamental horticulture. He also served a short term as interim head of the Department of Horticulture.

Before moving to Arizona in 1980, Oliver was made director of

correspondence and short courses at the Penn State University in addition to his duties as assistant dean.

Oliver holds membership in nine professional organizations and six honorary organizations including the national extension and horticultural honorary fraternities.

During his academic career, Oliver has authored or co-authored 17 publications and has presented more than a dozen scientific papers at regional or national meetings of learned societies. He is listed in Who's Who in the East, Men of Achievement, and Community Leaders and Noteworthy Americans.

Oliver is married and is the father of two daughters, Deborah and Linda.

As director of the Maryland Extension Service he will be responsible for directing the efforts of more than 500 employees across the state who are charged with taking practical information from the Land-grant University to "the people of the United States" in their local environments.

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GAITHERSBURG, Md. — Two regional junior Polled Hereford heifer shows are planned for this summer, according to the American Polled Hereford Association.

A Western Regional will be held June 14 to 16, in Reno, Nev., and an Eastern Regional is scheduled for July 12 to 14, in Gaithersburg, Md.

Since these new regional shows will be dispersed across the country, more juniors will have the opportunity to increase their showing experience, meet exhibitors from other states and

exchange ideas.

Climaxing the junior Polled Hereford show season will be the 8th National Junior Polled Hereford Show and Forum, set for July 19 to 24, in Hutchinson, Kan. Along with the shows, a variety of educational activities will be on the program.

Any APHA junior member may compete in these shows who is 8 years old and not over 21 as of show day.

For more information contact the APHA Youth Activities Dept., 4700 East 63rd Street, Kansas City, Mo., 64130.

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