

**OUR READERS WRITE,  
AND OTHER OPINIONS**

**N.J. has dump problems too**

I read the editorial "Off the Sounding Board, Calling the Question" with a great deal of interest.

I am wondering if this I.U. Conversion System, Inc. of Horsham, Pa. is another name for EnviroSAFE Services, Inc. of Horsham, Pa. EnviroSAFE is presently being investigated here in Salem County, N.J. because they bought up land under false pretenses. Salem County's Concerned Citizens have fought hard against this hazardous waste dump.

D.E.R. and D.E.P. (Dept. of Environmental Resources, Protection) in New Jersey have done a number of interesting things. On March 15, 1981, it was illegal to spread raw sewage in Salem County. On March 16, it was made legal again. The D.E.P. issued eight emergency permits for raw sewage farming. Gloucester County got five such permits, Salem — one, and Cap May — two.

No public hearing was or is scheduled on these ordinances. Our Township officials knew nothing about them until the mayor received a copy of the permit. Our freeholders knew nothing about the changes until a citizens group attended their meetings.

The ground that is scheduled to have the sewage placed on it will not be suitable for farming for three years. If it is to be used for pasture, the animals must be

removed six weeks before sale or slaughter. This does not take into consideration the deer or the birds that will surely eat plants from that land.

The state can not guarantee the people around the dump will not get sick from it. The sea gulls that flew over the ground carried toilet tissue from the dump over onto plowed fields. The tissue laid on the ground for better than three weeks until it could be plowed under for corn. In the meantime, the temperature rose to 80 degrees and became very humid, causing the blowflies to hatch.

Salem County has no sewage plant and the D.E.P. is forcing them to do something about the sewage problem. At the township meeting on April 9, a man from D.E.P. told us that it was an emergency situation. Our township officials and solicitor asked the representative who declared the emergency and why they were never notified of the situation. The state said our sewage must be trucked to Middlesex County in northern New Jersey, or use the seepage farming method.

The state D.E.P. is giving us the run around. They will not lift any of the emergency permits, which expire September 1, even though we have been writing letters, making phone calls, and signing petitions. Our community is sick of the whole matter, especially the odor, and blowflies.

Sometime in 1982 the D.E.P. says it is going to close down all

landfills in Salem County. The D.E.P. wants one giant landfill with plastic liners at \$5-\$8 a foot in it. We would like to recycle, incinerate and/or develop one small landfill for the county.

This will be another big fight

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**Farm Calendar**

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Farm, Ephrata, concludes tomorrow.

Friday, July 10

Pa. Rabbit Conference, Penn State University, 9 a.m., concludes tomorrow.

Franklin County Solar Workshop, Chambersburg, continues tomorrow.

Keystone Stud ram and ewe sale, Farm Show Building, Harrisburg, concludes tomorrow.

Grand Opening of new Production Credit Office, 119 S. Custer Ave., New Holland, 2 p.m.

Saturday, July 11

Sperry New Holland 41st Annual Family Picnic, New Holland Memorial Park, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

**Questioning the question**

In the editorial, "Off the Sounding Board - Calling the Question," the question (or at least the first part of it) was a good one. It does seem however that you should have continued a bit further, i.e.:  
— Why should taxpayers be "forced" to spend any money to take on the responsibility of property owners — whether they be farmers, suburban or urban dwellers?

— Why should the taxpayers be "forced" to spend \$20,000,000 to build collectors and interceptors in

Upper Leacock Township to handle their proposed future sewage? And then why should the taxpayers be "forced" to spend another \$36,000,000 to upgrade the Lancaster plant to handle this sewage?  
— Or how about Ephrata? The engineers want to tie in some outlying areas to the municipal treatment plant. And again the taxpayers will be "forced" to foot the bill. And some of those taxpayers are farmers.

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**Now Is The Time**

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For the protection of valuable livestock, we suggest that some of these individual trees be fitted with a lightning rod system. If there is a woodlot in the pasture, or a number of trees, it may not be practical.

**TO PREPARE FOR  
FIRE PROTECTION**

Our barns are filling up with new crops of hay, straw and grain, so we need to be concerned with fire protection. We urge farmers to

give some thought to water supplies for fighting fires.

Many farmers indicate their fire company would be unable to supply adequate water. This increases the risk of serious fire losses. Farms with streams nearby should have plans developed to get the fire engine within 25 feet of the water.

Owners of farm ponds should have all-weather driveways to the pond. There have been cases where buildings burned while the fire truck was mired down in the mud trying to get to the pond.

It is a good idea to inform your local fire company of the sources of water supplies for fighting fires. An adequate water supply for fighting fires is good insurance against severe losses.

overview for the curious non-farmer.

Tickets will be available at the door for a fried chicken luncheon to be held in the grove at noon.

The afternoon activities will feature remarks by visiting dignitaries and a continuation of the tours, programs, and exhibits.

**Georgetown Field Day  
set for August 12**

NEWARK, Del. — Plans are well under way for the University of Delaware's 37th Annual Farm and Home Field Day at the Georgetown Agricultural Substation.

This event, set for August 12, 1981, gives farmers and non-farmers alike a chance to see what the University's Agricultural Experiment Station and Cooperative Extension Service are doing for the people of Delaware.

Activities will begin at 9:30 a.m. During the morning, there will be special wagon and bus tours of corn, soybean, vegetable, and poultry projects around the Substation, as well as tours of the University swine facilities. Some of the tours are designed to present an intensive look at the University's research plots for farmers and others with specialized interests, while other tours are designed to provide a general

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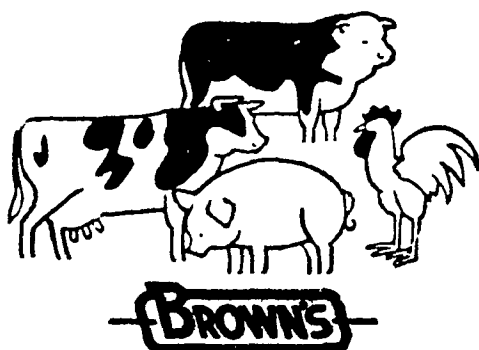


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