

## Tobacco field day coming

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — The University of Maryland's tobacco experimental farm near Upper Marlboro will host its 31st Annual Field Day on Wednesday, July 29, for professional tobacco growers and the public.

the Maryland Agricultural Experiment Station, the Maryland Cooperative Extension Service and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Wagon tours of recent farm research activities, conducted by

representatives of all three agriculture groups, will run from 9:30 a.m. to noon, according to Claude G. McKee, professor of agronomy and MCES tobacco specialist.

More than 600 Maryland tobacco growers are expected to see such research studies as primed air-cured vs. stalk-cut Maryland tobacco, air pollution impact on early tobacco growth, weed control, disease, and topping practices.

A new tobacco variety, scheduled for release for next year's growing season, will be unveiled and demonstrations of harvest and spray equipment will be shown, McKee said.

The tobacco research farm is located four miles north of Upper Marlboro along Route 202.

### Weather checks potato blight

YORK — The outbreak of Potato Late Blight discovered in southeastern York County has been held in check by the recent hot, dry weather, according to the

Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

An Infrared aerial check of the area showed three or four spotty patches of the fungus disease within a three-mile radius. This area has been sprayed to contain the disease. Since growth and spread of the fungus depends on damp, humid weather, the weather has also cooperated, a PDA spokesman said.

## Beat the Heat with Eggs



Charles L. Mulchi, associate professor of agronomy at the University of Maryland, measures ozone levels around young tobacco plants as part of his three-year study of the impact of air pollution on early tobacco growth. Results of that study will be discussed at the university's tobacco experiment farm during the 31st annual field day.

## Farm Calendar

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Plainfield Farmers Fair, Nazareth, until Saturday  
Energy Saving Workshop, Lower Paxton Township Building, Rm. 218-B, Harrisburg  
Dela. Irrigation Field Day, Francis Winkler farm, Harrington, 6:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
Public meeting on hazardous waste sites, 4-7 p.m. Room 31, Education Bldg. 333 Market St. Harrisburg

Thursday, July 23  
Lancaster County Holstein Show, Solanco Fairgrounds  
Adams pesticide update training,

10-8, Extension Office, 999 Lincoln Way West, Gettysburg  
York Co. Holstein Club picnic, 10 a.m., Buppland Farms  
Dela. Irrigation field day, Don Isaacs farm, Middletown, 6:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Saturday, July 25  
Jefferson County Holstein Club Sale, noon at Sykesville Fairgrounds  
National Farm Safety Week, until July 31  
Dauphin Co. Farmers Assn. family picnic, Halifax Community Park, Halifax, 7 p.m.

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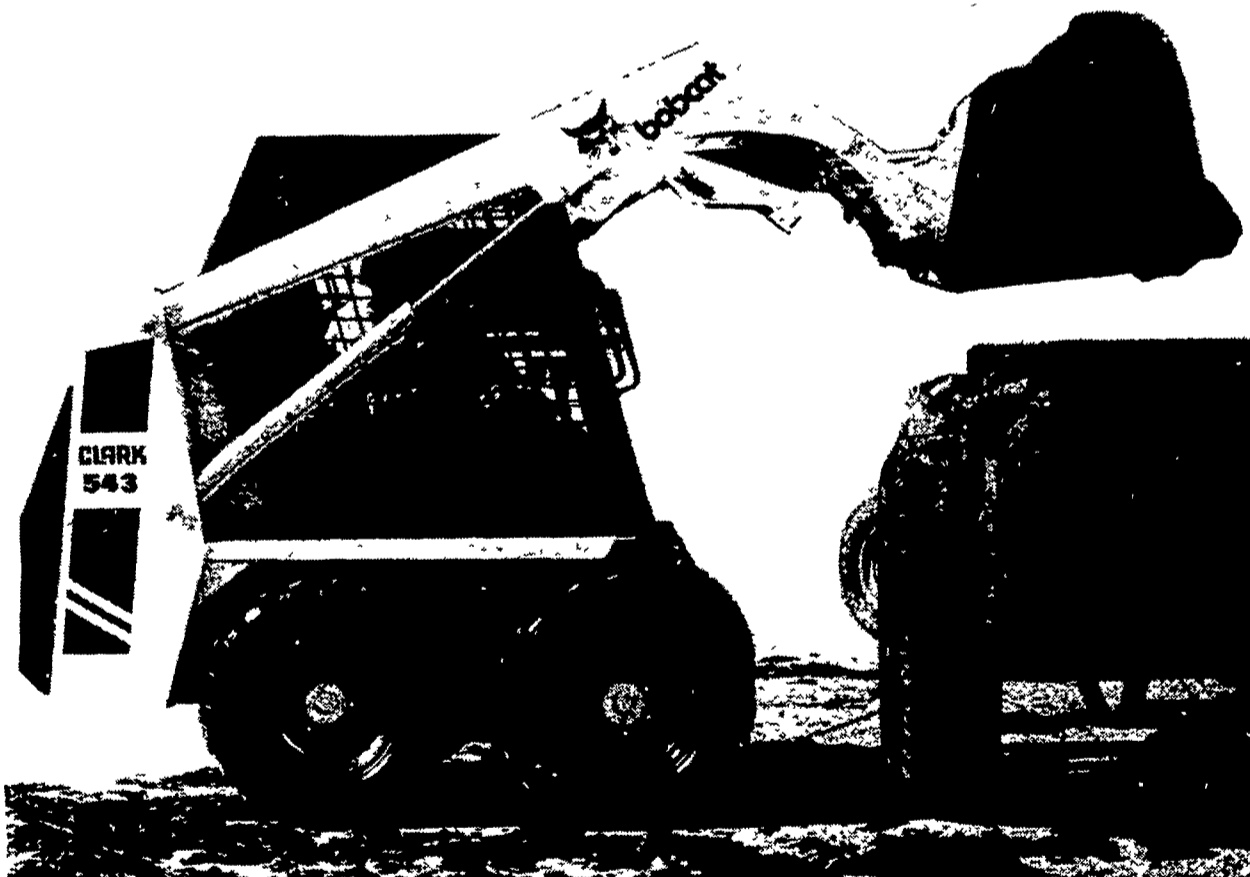
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