

## Leading agricultural spokesmen to address Md. Ag Forum

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — The nation's former soil conservation leader and a leading land-grant college administrator will be keynote speakers at the 17th annual Maryland Agricultural Leaders Forum here Nov. 4.

Norman A. Berg, former chief of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Soil Conservation Service will discuss "The Role of Agriculture in America's Future." Berg is now senior advisor to the American Farmland Trust, headquartered in Washington D.C.

James H. Anderson, dean of the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources at Michigan State University, will present at the forum "The Role of the Agricultural University in the Future." Anderson is co-chairman of the nation's Joint Council on Food and Agricultural Sciences, established by Congress in 1977. He is the former director of the Mississippi State University Agricultural Experiment Station.

The Maryland Agricultural Leaders Forum provides a setting for leading producers, consumers, educators and scientists to address

and plan for agriculture's major challenges.

Last year's theme — "Challenges for Tomorrow's Agriculture" — is repeated this year with a different emphasis, according to Donald A. Hegwood, new dean of the College of Agriculture at the University of Maryland.

"Last year, forum speakers attempted to identify those problems facing agriculture at the state, national and international levels," Hegwood said. "This year, speakers will outline what is being done to address those challenges."

Other highlights of the forum include:

\*Presentations by university administrators on education, extension and research programs at the University of Maryland;

\*Educational exhibits by the University's Cooperative Extension Service and Agricultural Experiment Station;

\*Video presentations of three examples of research by the Agricultural Experiment Station;

\*Presentations of certificates of merit to four Maryland residents

for "significant contributions to the state's agricultural, seafood and food processing industries, and family life."

The location of the forum is on the main university campus at College Park in the Center of Adult

Education. It begins at 9:45 a.m. Formal presentations are scheduled for the Firefighters Room and exhibits will be displayed in Room 0123 at the Center.

A registration fee of \$16, paid

before Oct. 28, covers the cost of the luncheon and a copy of the Forum proceedings.

Registration after Oct. 28, or on the day of the Forum, will be \$20 per person and will not guarantee a luncheon reservation.



### Chicken Coop News

Update on the poultry industry

By Herb Jordan

Penn State Extension Poultry Specialist

**Capons On Range Need Grit**  
If capons are allowed to range outside from July through October,

they ought to have granite grit fed to them on top of feed at a rate of one handful per 25 birds once a

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Crop binding also may occur from wild cherry seeds or green cherries. So prevent capons from ranging around trees where seeds or green cherries may be a problem. Do not feed calcium grit to capons.

If the crop of the capon becomes full of any fibrous material which will not pass through it, the bird will become weak and die due to lack of feed. Feed cannot pass through a bound crop.

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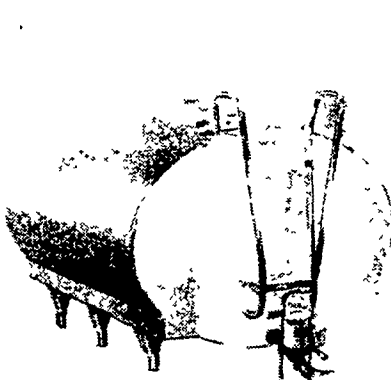
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