

## Delmarva meeting looks at vegetables

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — Farmers on Delmarva interested in spreading their risk, changing their cash flow, or just plain trying their management and growing

skills in a new area should check off Feb. 8 on their calendar. That's the date of an all-day meeting on vegetable marketing prospects. The session, "Vegetables in

1983", sponsored by the Delaware and Maryland Departments of Agriculture, the Cooperative Extension Services of both Delaware and Maryland, the

Peninsula Horticultural Society and Delaware Vegetable Growers Association, will be held at the Seaford, De. Firehall, Pine and King Streets, Seaford.

Farmers on Delmarva as well as throughout the entire nation, are forced to take stock of their options these days due to increased production costs and stagnant markets for many commodities.

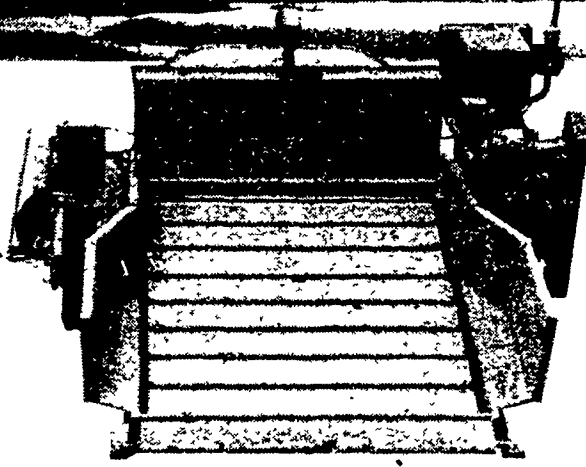
Maryland Secretary of Agriculture Wayne A. Cawley Jr. says "Vegetables offer local farmers many opportunities worth thinking about.

"Some of them are: you can start out small with just a few acres, you can stretch your harvest and cash income times over a

period beginning in the early spring with spinach all the way through to the late fall with pumpkins and turnips. You can sell some, or all, of your production right on the farm direct to consumers through pick your own or roadside stand operations. You don't need specialized new equipment for many vegetable crops. And you can use to your advantage in that urbanization brings with it customers by the groves," said Cawley.

Cawley will join with Delaware Secretary of Agriculture Donald Lynch in attending and addressing the meeting which is scheduled to get underway at 9 a.m. and last through until late afternoon.

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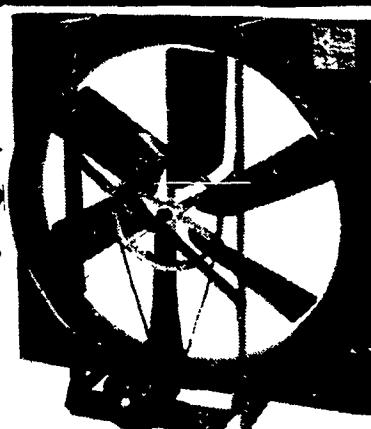
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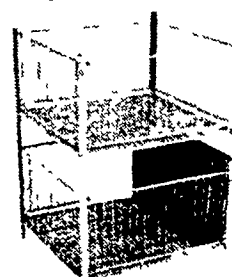
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