### New York plans first winter farm show

farm show, "Country Folks Ag Expo '85" will be held isn the Center of Progress Building on the New York State Fairgrounds in Syracuse, N.Y. Wednesday through Friday, Jan. 30 through Feb. 1. Hours will be 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday. There has been a tremendous response to this show with over 120 exhibitors on hand featuring a full cross section of agricultural products and services.

On Jan. 31, the show will feature "Soil Conservation Day" put on by the Soil Conservation Society of America, Empire State Chapter. The days program will feature the latest in conservation tillage technology and will run from 9:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.

Jan. 30 and Feb. 1 programs will include seminars by SUNY Agricultural Colleges, including freeze branding a horse packing demonstration, reproductive physiology for farm animals,

methane generators, triticale, farm Computer Usage, Usage, propagation of horticultural plants, horsebreeding, horse braiding & leg wraps, harnessing the standard bred and keeping your calf and heifer healthy. All seminars will be hold in the North

Wing of the Center of Progress Building.

For further information about the show contact Robert Buckley, Country Folks Ag Expo '85, P.O. Box 121, Palatine Bridge, N.Y. 13428, phone 518-673-3237.

### Sheep producers to meet

CREAMERY - You can increase your farm income by increasing your lamb crop. The success of a sheep enterprise will depend on the productive ability of the ewe flock and the your managing ability as a producer.

Mr. Clair Engle, extension livestock specialist from Penn State, will speak on pre- and postlambing at a sheep producers meeting on Feb. 5 at 7:30 p.m.. He will also discuss equipment and facilities. If you have questions on how to assist the ewe during

normal or difficult birth, when to call the veterinarian, or on lambing facilities, then join us for this informal program called "Lambing the Ewe and You.".

The program, which is open to the public, will be held at the Western Montgomery County Vo-Tech School located on Graterford and Sunset Roads off Route 422 in Limerick. For directions or details contact Nancy Kadwill, at (215) 489-4315. Coffee and doughnuts will be served at 7:15 p.m. and the program will begin at 7:30 p.m.

## York Co. commercial tree fruit growers to meet

- The Penn State Extension Service will be holding the York County Commercial Tree Fruit Growers meeting on Feb. 13th from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Rutter's Restaurant (formerly Avalong's) in York. The restaurant is located at the Mt. Zion Rd. (Rt. 24) exit of Rt. 30. Reservations for lunch must be made by Feb. 8th at the York County Extension Office (757-

Speakers and Topics for the day are: Rob Crassweller, Penn State pomologist - "Apple Varieties and Weed Control," Jim Travis, Penn State pathologist "Pesticide Application" and "Review of Fruit Diseases," Lyle Forer, Pa. Dept. of Agriculture Pathologist "Apple Rootstock Research," "Virus Problems in the Nursery" and "Apple Marketing Board," and, Rob Meagher and Betsy Beers, Penn State graduate students "Review of Fruit Insects."

Contact the York County Extension Service if you need additional information.

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WASHINGTON - The U.S. Department of Agriculture today issued loan rates for the various grades of 1984crop cigar binder and filler tobaccos (types 42-44 and 54-55).

According to Everett Rank, administrator of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, the rates are based on the national average support rates of 90.7 cents per pound announced July 3 and are unchanged from 1983.

Rates for Ohio filler (types 42-44) tobacco range from 56 to 98 cents per pound; for Wisconsin type 54, from 15 cents to \$1.02 per pound; and for northern Wisconsin type 55, from 46 cents to \$1.20 per pound.

Rank associations receiving tobacco for price sup-port will deduct assessments for no-netcost tobacco accounts from amounts paid producers. Also, the southern Wisconsin and Ohio tobacco associations will deduct 2 cents and the northern Wisconsin association 1 cent per pound to help defray the associations' administrative costs.

Only the original producer is eligible for price support advances.

