Agribusiness execs to meet at Cornell, June 17-28

ITHACA, NY - Management personnel from business and government who serve the agricultural sector of the economy are invited to Cornell University from June 17-28 for the 22nd Annual Cornell Agribusiness Executives Program.

Sponsored by the New York State College of Agriculture and Life Sciences and the Samuel Curtis Johnson Graduate School of Management, both at Cornell, the intensive, two-week program is the only one of its kind in the nation.

The program brings together key agribusiness executives and qualified academic personnel to explore the increasingly complex responsibilities management faces in this time of political, economic, social, and technological change," says Richard D. Aplin, professor of business management and codirector of the agribusiness executives program at Cornell.

The agribusiness executives program concentrates on various aspects of long-range planning that provide a sound base for future

decision-making, Aplin says. "Never before have businesses been exposed to so many internal and external pressures. Recent developments in food, fiber, finance, farm supply, and farm service industries call for new, broader outlooks on the part of agribusiness firms.'

Designed for top-and upper middle-level management personnel, the program this year will focus on capital budgeting and finance; the challenge of the economic environment for managenent; formulating business strategies; personal finance and investments; ribusiness

counting for planning and control; and the impact and implications of agricultural policies.

Program instructors, all from Cornell, include: Aplin; Bruce L. Anderson, program co-director and associate professor of business management and marketing; Jerome Hass, professor of managerial economics and finance; Kenneth Robinson, professor of agricultural economics; George Staller, professor of economics; and Robert Swieringa, professor of accounting.

A special workshop series-"Frontiers of Agricultural will be taught by Science" -

Robert Barker, provost of Cornell; J. Murray Elliot, chairman of the department of animal science; and Norman Scott, director of Cornell's Agricultural Experiment Station and director of the office of research of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at

To ensure maximum individual participation in the seminar program, enrollment will be limited. For further information, contact Clara Travis, Agribusiness Executives Program, 305 Warren Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853-7801, or call (607) 256-

Sales awards to Show-Ease



Show-Ease Badger, Inc. of Lancaster has been named to Badger Northland's 1984 President's Club, by finishing among the company's top ten dealerships for the year. The company also received awards for overall sales performance. liquid manure systems and solid manure systems at Badger's recent dealer convention in Milwaukee. Receiving the award above from Badger District Sales Manager Carl Carroll are, John Moore, center and Tom Livengood, right, of Show-Ease.

Soybean group tries to cash in on Sweden's meatball madness

Meatball madness, it can be incurable. Once you've had a taste of delectable Swedish meatballs, you'll wake up in the middle of the night craving one more bite of meatball... Yum!

That's the craving U.S. soybean farmers are banking on to crack Sweden's meatball market. And the way the ball is bouncing, their prospects look good: If you live in Sweden, soy protein may soon be added to the list of secret ingredients in Mom's Meatballs.

Joseph Zak is European market development division manager for the American Soybean Association. Through farmerfunded projects, the Soybean Association builds new soybean markets in Europe and around the

Zak says that Sweden's eight

million consumers face a crunching price increase in the cost of meat. In the last three years, meat prices in Sweden have increased rapidly as a result of drastically reduced government subsidies. In 1984, Swedish consumers spent approximately \$2.5 billion for meat products. That's 25 percent more than they spent on meat in 1982, and it represents more than 20 percent of their annual food budget.

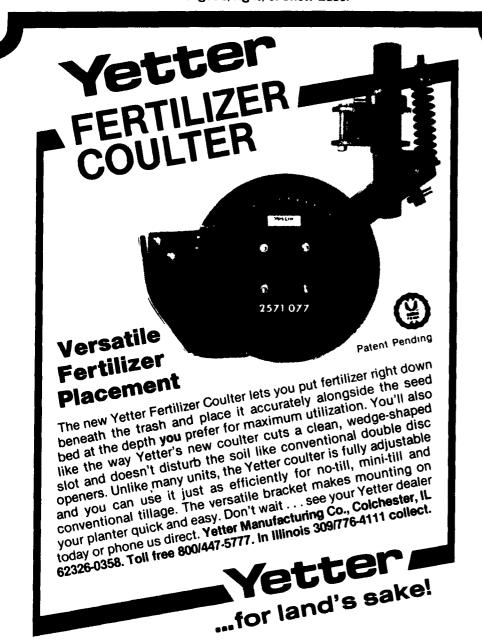
So what's a meatball maker to do? Zak says that soy protein can cut the high cost of meatballs. And the best news: Swedish meatball lovers don't have to sacrifice that tantalizing meatball taste.

A recent meatball taste test in Sweden proved that when soy protein is used correctly, it can sway even the firmest of meatball lovers... and soy cuts meatball costs by 30 percent.

Zak says that soy protein is not a major market for U.S. soybeans, but it is an important market.

"In countries like Sweden, consumers face snowballing meat prices: It's a chilling situation.' says Zak. "Soy protein can cut high meat costs without cutting nutritional value. We have to be progressive and look towards this future area of soybean demand or we could get left in the cold."

Is the meatball market a testing ground for soy protein? "Time will tell," says Zak. His advice, "Keep your eye on the ball — the meatball that is - and watch your soybean markets grow.'



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