

Maryland plans Ag Field Days

COLLEGE PARK, MD. — WESTERN MARYLAND AG FIELD DAYS are to be held on Sept. 4 and 5 at the University of Maryland's Research and Education Center near Keedysville. The two days of tours and demonstrations will review the University's current research in fruit and field crop production and additional educational exhibits and machinery demonstrations.

Beginning at 9 a.m. the presentations on Sept. 4 will feature alfalfa fertilizer management for higher yields and integrated pest management. The UMDAIR Program, the University's least-cost dairy ration

balancing computer program, will also be demonstrated.

Later in the morning the use of hay drying chemicals will be a part of the hay mowing/conditioning field demonstrations. The afternoon program includes field demonstrations on hay raking, tedding, baling and bagging. One of the highlights will be the prototype of a hay swath inverter developed by a farmer from Garrett County, Maryland. This simple machine will lay down a dinrow or a swath of variable width, ted a thick windrow or neatly and gently invert a swath of hay to allow the underside to dry.

Demonstrations for fruit

growers will begin at 3:30 P.M. with sprayer and wind generating machinery and a computer analysis of fruit production costs. Evening wagon tours of research plots will include apple/rootstock variety interactions, summer shearing of apples, peach training studies and Magness pear production. The Research Center's new table grape plants will be examined in addition to small fruit breeding.

The 'Corn Showcase' will be open for tours both days displaying 54 varieties from fourteen seed companies.

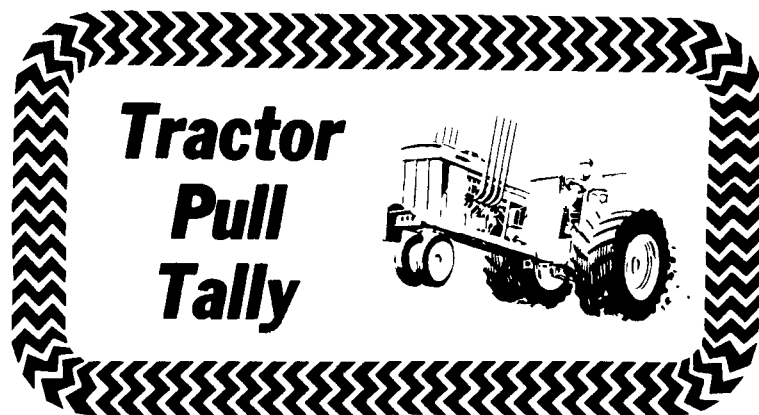
The second day, Sept. 5, will begin with wagon tours of the agronomy research plots. These will include the University's corn variety tests, high yield small grain studies, in addition to nitrogen fertilizer placement in no-till corn, tillage effects on grey leaf spot and weed control studies. The afternoon program will be field demonstrations of forage harvesters, no-till drilling of soybeans and small grain and tillage equipment.

The research and demonstrations currently underway and others planned for the Western Maryland Research and Education Center are tailored for the needs of the diversified agriculture of the Piedmont region. The Annual Ag Field Days are presently one of the University of Maryland's major efforts to pass current research information on to agricultural producers.

Ag Progress action



Charles Pitts, head of the Department of Entomology at Penn State's College of Agriculture, really got into his subject Wednesday afternoon at the lecture hall.



Buck Tractor Pull Results August 10, 1985

5 mod

1. Thad Will, Central City, Pa., Allison, FP; 2. Jeff Frantz, Windsor, Pa., 427 Chevy, 291.11; 3. Craig Lukenbill, Schuylkill Haven, Pa., Chevy, 270.4.

58 4WD

1. Roy McCully, Davidsonville, Md., Ford, 288.4; 2. Ed Hanslovan, Morrisdale, Pa., Chevy, 276.6; 3. Dan Fellenbaum, Lititz, Pa., Chevy, 260.11.

7 mod

1. Willard Will, Central City, Pa.,

Allison, FP, 269.4; 2. Thad Will, Central City, Pa., Allison, FP; 3. Vernon Kourey, Baldwin, Md., Packard, 284.4.

62 4WD
1. Ed Hanslovan, Morrisdale, Pa., Chevy, 285.5; 2. Steve Conrad, Port Deposit, Md., Ford, 275.0; 3. Roy McCully, Davidsonville, Md., Ford, 261.2.

9 open

1. Thad Will, Central City, Pa., Allison, 299.3; 2. Robert Witenbrader, Lake Ariel, Pa., Allison, 287.7; 3. Willard Will, Central City, Pa., Allison, 287.0.

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