

Hood named new dean at PSU college of Ag

UNIVERSITY PARK — Dr. Lamartine F. Hood, director of the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station at Geneva, a part of Cornell University, will be the dean of the College of Agriculture at Penn State effective March 1.

His appointment, which was approved Jan. 18 by the University's Board of Trustees, includes the additional posts of director of Agricultural Experiment Station and director of the Cooperative Extension Service.

"I am pleased that Dr. Hood has agreed to accept this challenging and important position," Dr. Bryce Jordan, president of the University, told the Board of Trustees. "He brings a strong background in research, administration and public service. We believe that Dr. Hood will continue to strengthen the essential support that Penn State has provided Pennsylvania's No. 1 industry of agriculture," Dr. Jordan added.

Dr. Hood succeeds Dr. Samuel H. Smith, who left Penn State June 30, to assume the presidency of Washington State University. Dr. W. W. Hinrich has been serving as

acting dean of the College of Agriculture since Dr. Smith's departure.

In accepting Dr. Jordan's invitation, Dr. Hood said, "I am looking forward to working with the excellent faculty and staff at Penn State. It will be great to come back home to Pennsylvania and Penn State."

Dr. Hood was reared in Bucks County, where his father, who graduated from Penn State in 1924 with a degree in dairy husbandry, was manager of the George School Farm. Dr. Hood was active in 4-H and after high school enrolled in the dairy science program at Penn State.

Dr. Hood received his Ph.D in food science and biochemistry from Penn State in 1968, his M.S. from the University of Minnesota in dairy science in 1963, and his B.S. in dairy science from Penn State in 1959.

A member of the Cornell University faculty since 1968, Dr. Hood is well known as a food scientist and has published more than 80 scholarly articles. His major research interest is cereal chemistry.

Dr. Hood has held his current position since 1983. He is responsible for the research and extension program involving the production and processing of fruits and vegetables.

Prior to that he was associate director, Office for Research, Cornell University Agricultural Experiment Station at Ithaca, and a professor of food science. In 1976-77, Dr. Hood was visiting scientist at the Station de Biochimie et Physicochimie des Cereales, Institut National de la Recherche Agronomique, Massy, France.

Dr. Hood currently serves as chairman of the Northeastern Regional Association of State Agricultural Experiment Station Directors, and is a member of the Board of Directors of the Cornell

University Research Foundation, Inc., and the Board of Directors of the New York State Wine and Grape Federation.

A Fellow of the Institute of Food Technologists, Dr. Hood is active in that association, chairing symposia and, until recently, serving on the editorial board of the Journal of Food Science. He is also active in the American Association of Cereal Chemists, and the American Chemical Society.

Dr. Hood and his wife, the former Emeline Harpster of Pennsylvania Furnace, are the parents of three children, Thomas, a senior at the United States Military Academy at West Point, Christopher, who resides in Boston, and Sandra, a junior in high school.



Lamartine F. Hood

Corn Clinic slated in Franklin County

CHAMBERSBURG — Over 250 Franklin County corn growers are expected to attend the annual Franklin County Corn Clinic January 28 at Kauffman's Community Center. County Extension Director, John Shearer, says that this has become one of the larger one-day agricultural "schools" in the county, with attendance sometimes reaching 300.

Twenty-seven agri-business firms will be co-sponsoring the event, along with the County Extension Service. Their colorful exhibits will open at 9:00 a.m. Awards will be presented to county winners in the Pennsylvania Five-Acre Corn Club.

Educational presentations on corn insect control, weed control

and herbicide effectiveness, manure usage, and corn-drying-and-handling will be made by Penn State University specialists. A local grower panel, consisting of George Christman, Jr., Dennis Brechbill, Eugene Hege, Donald Martin, John R. Stoner, and William Swailes will review their corn weed control programs for 1985.

The meeting will serve, under Pennsylvania law, as an "update-training meeting" for pesticide-applicators' license-renewal purposes. Shearer urges private applicators whose licenses expire 9/30/85 or 9/30/86 to attend to become recertified. The "clinic" is free, includes lunch, and is open to the public.

HARRISBURG — The annual Sire Power meeting was held on January 21, 1986. President Gary Rickard reported that this past year saw record profitability with a record patronage dividend being paid.

This past year Sire Power created Sire Power International, a wholly owned subsidiary, which will be handling non member business.

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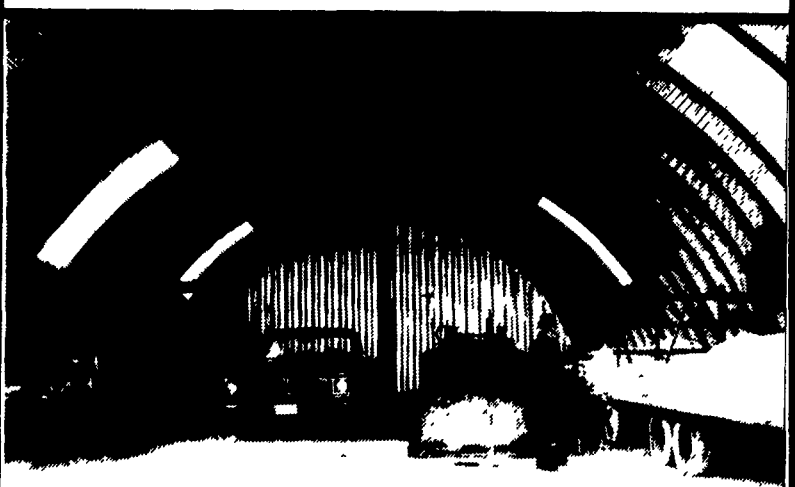
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