

## Bergland To Speak

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farm community: "Increase Farm Profits Through Energy Management."

Planned conference workshops include such topics as field machinery operations, cost cutting for milking parlors, ventilation improvements, low input farming, and farm energy production with photovoltaics.

Pre-registration is required and information is available through the Pennsylvania Energy Office (PEO) and local county extension offices.

Bergland was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives from his home state of Minnesota in 1970, and was re-elected in 1972, 1974, and 1976. After election to a fourth House term, he was asked to serve as President Jimmy Carter's Secretary of Agriculture, the first farmer to hold that post since 1940.

From 1981 to 1984 Bergland was president of Farmland World Trade, a subsidiary of Farmland Industries, the nation's largest farmer cooperative, headquartered in Kansas City, Missouri.

As chief executive officer of the NRECA, Bergland holds dual responsibilities as executive vice president to the NRECA board of directors and general manager of the association's staff.

In addition to representing the NRECA membership's policy positions on legislative and regulatory matters before congressional committees and executive agencies and departments, Bergland directs a wide range of NRECA



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programs and services for its members, including publications, management consulting, insurance and retirement programs, and an international development program which provides technical assistance in rural electrification to 30 developing nations.

The Lancaster conference is one of four such events scheduled for March. The other three will be held in Greensburg (March 22), Meadville (March 24), and Wysox, Bradford County (March 28). Sponsors are the PEO, state Department of Agriculture, PA Farmers Association, PA Farmers Union, State Grange, and Penn State's Cooperative Extension Service.

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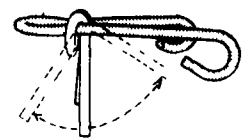
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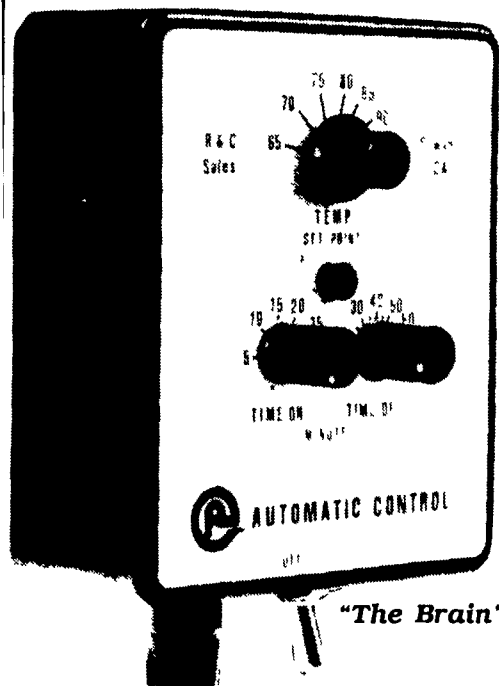
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