

# Pennsylvania Stocks Down 47 Percent

HARRISBURG — Stocks of potatoes stored in the state on May 1 totaled 200,000 hundredweight (cwt.), 47 percent less than a year ago, according to the Pennsylvania Agricultural Statistics Service.

Of the total, 50,000 cwt., or 25 percent, was stored in processors' facilities.

Stocks are defined as the quantity, sold or unsold, remaining in storage for all purposes and uses, including shrinkage and waste and other losses that occur after the date of each report.

Stocks may also include potatoes produced in other states.

Sales of fall potatoes for all purposes generally account for about 90 percent of the fall production. Shrinkage, loss and home use account for the remaining 10 percent.

In the 15 states classified as fall storage states, storage of fall potatoes on May 1 totaled 54.4 million cwt., down 22 percent from last year and 9 percent under two years ago. Stocks on May 1 accounted for 18 percent of fall production this year, compared with 21 percent last year.

Disappearance from harvest to May 1 in those 15 states totaled 245 million cwt., 7 percent below last year and 1 percent below two years ago. Shrinkage and loss totaled 23.9 million cwt., 11 percent below last year's 26.9 million cwt. and 5 percent below two years ago.

Processing plants used 109 mil-

lion cwt. of potatoes to date, down 2 percent from last year.

## Starting Over

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money should go into the barn," Dan adds.

"A farmer spends a lot of time at home and we want a home that we can enjoy."

The Smiths often have big family parties over the holidays and weekends. The second weekend in June will be the date of the annual farm toy convention hosted by Dan each year.

A collector himself, he has two rooms full of metal farm toys, all in mint condition.



Daniel Smith with his second love, farm toys. Each year, the second weekend in June, Daniel hosts the annual farm toy convention. This is just one of two rooms devoted to his growing collection.



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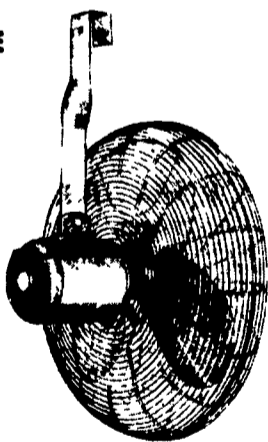
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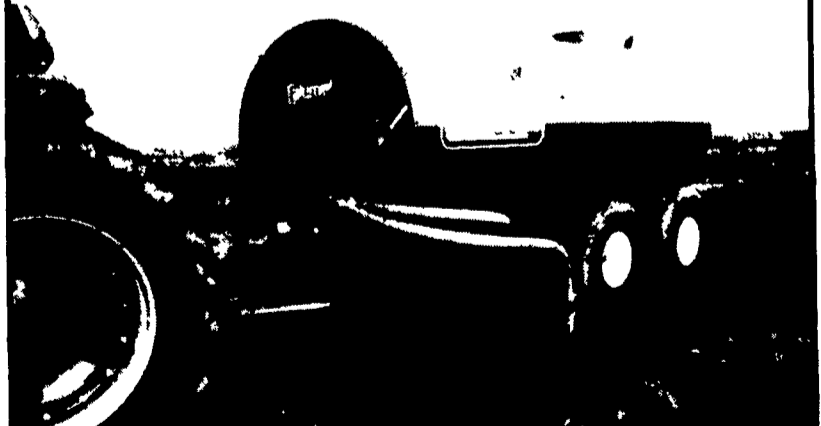
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