

MARYLAND STATE FAIR BOARD

Chairman: Frank Donaldson Brown, Jr.,
1979

Joseph H. McElwee, 1977; Earl C. Robertson, 1977; Stanley B. Sutton, 1977; Gordon Warfield, 1977; John M. Crum, 1978; Richard N. Wills, 1978; Gerald B. Truitt, Jr., 1979; Grover K. Walker, 1979.

R. Nelson Phelps, *Executive Secretary*

Administration Building,

State Fair Grounds,

Timonium (Baltimore

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The Maryland State Fair Board, created by Chapter 463, Acts of 1937, and Chapter 493, Acts of 1947, consists of nine members appointed by the Governor for three-year terms. The Board encourages and fosters agriculture through the promotion and assistance of bona fide agricultural fairs and exhibits. It extends financial assistance to qualifying organizations for premium awards to exhibitors of agricultural displays (Agriculture Art., secs. 10-301 to 10-303).

Staff: 2.

MARYLAND TOBACCO AUTHORITY

Chairman: Alfred H. Tolzman, 1977

Howard W. Pumphrey, 1977; Edwin Hill Summers, 1977; Dr. John H. Hoyert, 1978; J. Anderson King, 1978; John A. Prouty, 1978; Howard R. Cooksey, 1979; John E. Hall, 1979.

John A. Schillinger, *Executive Secretary*

State Tobacco Warehouse,

Cheltenham 20623 Telephone: 782-4594

The Maryland Tobacco Authority, created by Chapter 61, Acts of Special Session of 1947, is composed of eight members appointed by the Governor for three-year terms. The Board elects its own Chairman.

The Authority may investigate and study any phase of tobacco marketing or production in the State, provide information about the tobacco price structure, and make recommendations for legislation to provide more effective handling of tobacco. Along with the buyers and commission agencies it

has a voice in fixing marketing periods, and it assures the accuracy of weights and measures used by tobacco commission selling agencies. The Authority also licenses commission agencies and purchasers, and collects a fee from the owner of tobacco sold at a commission agency. It uses the funds so collected.

From time to time a representative of the Tobacco Authority visits manufacturers in foreign countries, as well as in the United States, to develop markets for Maryland tobacco (Agriculture Art., secs. 7-201 to 7-209).

Staff: 2.

MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

Chairman: William H. Kleinwachter,
vegetables, 1979

Vice Chairman: Harry C. Walter,
tobacco, 1978

Ex officio member: Frank L. Bentz, Jr.,
University of Maryland.

Appointed members: H. Julian Hill, *dairy*, 1977; Henry S. Holloway, *livestock*, 1977; Theodore Stegmaier, *horticulture*, 1977; Roy Beauchamp, *poultry*, 1978; William E. Burrall, *Maryland State Grange*, 1978; Le Mar J. Ketelsleger, *member at large*, 1978; T. Allan Stradley, *Maryland Farm Bureau*, 1978; Herbert W. Wessel, Jr., *member at large*, 1978; Donald A. Wilber, *poultry*, 1978; Richard L. Bunting, *member at large*, 1979; Leon B. Enfield, *dairy*, 1979; J. Walter Hastings, Jr., V.M.D., *veterinary profession*, 1979; Allie Messer, *field crops*, 1979; Daniel B. Stoner, *nursery*, 1979.

Peter B. Ramaley, *Executive Secretary*

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Annapolis 21401 Telephone: 269-2332

The Maryland Agricultural Commission, created by Chapter 552, Acts of 1968, succeeded the Agricultural Advisory Board established by Chapter 470, Acts of 1961. The Commission has as its chief function the advancement of Maryland agriculture and by serving as an advisory body to the Secretary of Agriculture on all matters