

## PCA-NFLA Stage Annual Meeting; Reports Given

By LF Staff Reporter

Between 400 and 500 members and guests attended the annual farm credit stockholders' meeting at the old Mount Joy High school Thursday night of last week.

This was a combination meeting of the Lancaster Production Credit Association and the National Farm Loan Association of Lancaster. Events moved underway with a cafeteria lunch served by Eli Hostetter.

### Kahler Re-elected

John H. Gible, Maytown, was general chairman of the meeting. G. G. Minnich, Lititz, president of the association, presided. In the election of officers, John J. Kahler, Millersburg, was re-elected to the Board of Directors for a three-year term. Ira Krall, Myerstown, presided during the business session of the NFLA where members re-elected B. G. Buhong, Columbia, to another three-year term on the Board of Directors.

Jacob N. Smith, Annville, was elected to replace Nathan J. Bashore, who declined to run for reelection.

"This Dutch is no language. It has no grammar," Prof J. William Frey of Franklin & Marshall College, told the group in his entertaining talk on Pennsylvania Dutch. Most amusing of the appearance, which held the audience intrigued, was his recitation — in Pennsylvania Dutch — of "Twas the Night Before Christmas," and as an encore — "Woman's Place Is in the Home." Musical selections, where he accompanied himself on the guitar, helped broaden his entertaining appearance, and audience reaction was excellent.

### Holstein Quartet Sings

The Four-H Holstein Quartet of the Lampeter-Strasburg High School, recently named one of the top five in the nation at the International Live Stock Exposition in Chicago, entertained with several selections. Wayne B. Rentschler of the Farm Bureau, who accompanied a group of six boys to the meeting of the American Institute of Cooperation at Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind., last summer, spoke on the meeting. Expenses of the trip were met by 12 cooperative associations in Lancaster County.

Wilmer Esbenschade of Elizabethtown gave a description of the trip, and Donald Hastings of Kirkwood, showed colored movies he made on the campus and mid-western farm scenes taken en route to and from the meeting. Appearing with these two were Robert Book and Harold Bollinger.

J. Thomas Vandenburg, president of the Federal Land Bank and the Production Credit Corporation of Baltimore, gave a short talk.

### 14 From One Class There

Roger Strait, vo-ag teacher at Halifax High School, brought 14



from his classes to the meeting.

Others present included Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Cassel, Hummelstown; Mark Shuman of the ASC office at Harrisburg; Charles Burkins, manager of the Lancaster County Farm Bureau; Paul Leaman, farm representative of the Conestoga National Bank; Naaman G. Hershey, implement dealer and charter member of the PCA; Carson Mertz, head of the State Safety Division at Harrisburg; T. M. Malin, vocational supervisor of Lancaster County; W. Clayton Jester, director of the Farm Credit Board at Baltimore; A. G. Bucher, farm representative of the Lancaster County National Bank, and others.

Mr. Kahler reported that during the past year the executive committee met 57 times, the directors held six meetings, in addition to meetings in Baltimore and Reading.

### Emphasis On Youth Work

Emphasis has been placed on youth work, and members of the Lancaster County Cooperative Youth Activity Committee gave reports. Members are Lee Brobst, assistant secretary; Charles Cowan of Interstate; and Mr. Rentschler of the Farm Bureau.

There are four types of cooperatives, it was pointed out during the meeting: purchasing, marketing, servicing and processing.

In closing the meeting, Mr. Brobst emphasized the necessity of adequate insurance coverage, the importance of youth programs and the necessity that real estate taxes be paid yearly to avoid possible defaulting.

A total of 863 civilian employees of Government agencies lost their jobs during October, the second net monthly decrease since January, 1955. The other was 18,974 in September. Total civilian employment as of November 1st, was 2,365,206.

### Derangement By The Dozen

Judge—What possible excuse did you have for acquitting that murderer?

Foreman of the Jury—Insanity Judge—What, all 12 of you? Tufts will succeed Grainger as U. S. G. A. president.

### Right There

Husband (calling to wife in bed)—I can't find the tea, dear Wife—I don't know why not. It's right in front, on the cupboard, shelf, in a cocoa tin marked "matches."

### Can't Be!

Teacher—"Tommy, what is one-half of eight?" Small Boy—"I don'ta know exactly, teacher, but it can't be very much"

## Ford Liquidates Wood Bros Inc. Once Subsidiary

Ford Motor Company announced the liquidation of its wholly-owned manufacturing subsidiary, Wood Bros, Inc., Des Moines, Iowa and the establishment of the Des Moines Implement Plant, Ford Motor Company, to continue the Des Moines farm machinery operations formerly carried on by Wood Bros.

The plant, occupying the former Wood Bros. facilities, will be operated by Ford's Tractor and Implement Division with headquarters in Birmingham, Michigan. A. Duffy, Ford vice president, is divisional general manager.

In making the announcement, Mr. Duffy said the plant will continue to produce major types of harvesting equipment. It is planned that Wood Bros. employees will be transferred to Ford Motor Company, and will receive full credit for length of service as recognized by Wood Bros.

### Activities Integrated

Change of the Des Moines operations from a Ford subsidiary to a division-operated plant is a further step in the complete integration of farm machinery activities into the Tractor and Implement Division structure, Mr. Duffy said.

After being a tractor manufacturer since 1917, Ford entered the "full line" farm machinery business in August, 1953, when a separate division was established to handle the company's farm machinery activities.

Tractor and Implement Division's expansion program is part of a company-wide long-range

facilities modernization and expansion plan which since 1946 has cost more than \$1,500,000,000. More than 71,000,000,000 is expected to be spent over the next three years on plants and equipment by Ford Motor Company.

The Des Moines plant was built in 1926 after the original Wood Bros. facilities in that city were outgrown. Its production now includes corn pickers, hay balers, combines, side delivery rakes, forage harvesters, corn planters and corn harvesters, grain drills, cotton harvesters and other major harvesting tools.

### Purchased by Dearborn, 1947

The original Wood Bros was founded in 1886 by F. J. and R. L. Wood, custom threshers.

In 1947, the original Wood Bros was purchased by Dearborn Motors Corporation, which had been organized a year earlier to market Ford tractors and implements. On Aug. 1, 1953, Ford Motor Company established a Tractor Division and, through a subsidiary, acquired the assets of Wood Bros.

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