



LANCASTER COUNTY Flying Farmers, shown here, were the honored group at the 44th annual meeting of the Lancaster County Agricultural Extension Assn. John Gehman, president of the Pennsylvania

Flying Farmers pointed out that air travel allows the farmer time to visit and do business miles from the farm, without disrupting the normal farm work routine. (LF Photo)

County Extension Assn. Changes Board Election Procedures

An amendment to the by-laws of the Lancaster County Agricultural Extension Assn to provide for election of one-third of the directors of the association each year was adopted unanimously Thursday night at the groups annual meeting at the First Presbyterian Church in Lancaster.

Under the new system, only five directors will be elected each year. Terms of office will be for three years.

Elected to the executive committee Thursday night were Northwest, three year term, Mrs. John Nissley, R2 Mt. Joy; two years, David Buckwalter, Jr., R3

Lititz, one year, J. Homer Graybill, R3 Manheim Northeast, three years, Mrs. Allen K. Risser, R1 Bareville, two years, Willis Z. Esbenshade, 1631 Esbenshade Rd., one year, Melvin G. Rohrer, R3 Lititz.

Southwest, three years, Ralph D. Brenneman, Washington Boro; two years, Mrs. Mark S. Hess, R6 Lancaster, one year, Harry F. Houser, R7 Lancaster Southeast, three years, B. Snavely Garber, R1 Willow Street, two years, Mrs. J. Robert Hess, R1 Strasburg, one year, J. Lloyd Rohrer, R6 Lancaster.

Southern, three years, Ira L.

Rutt, R2 Peach Bottom; two years, A. Clyde Dreider, R1 Quarryville; one year, Mrs. John Stoner, R1 Quarryville.

All were members of the committee last year with the exception of Mrs. Hess, who succeeds Mrs. Raymond F. Witmer, R1 Willow Street, and Ira L. Rutt, who succeeds Hayes A. Hastings, Kirkwood.

In his report to the association, County Agent Max M. Smith said that levels of organic matter and phosphorus remain low in County soils. He said that when applying fertilizer, the application should be made "with a liberal hand."

Smith pointed out that when any one element necessary for plant growth is low or missing, it becomes a controlling factor of

productivity regardless of how high the levels of other plant foods may be.

Smith also announced that Ralpho Township has been reported as ready for state brucellosis testing. He said that the county should soon be ready to be declared ready for certification.

Heavier requests from the urban population were reported by both Associate Agent Harry S. Sloat and Assistant Agent Victor Plastow. Sloat said that landscaping and home gardening requests accounted for some 33 per cent of the additional calls last year.

Plastow said that the 4-H Club program is being increased in scope to include more of the urban youth.

Mrs. Ruth K. Kimble, home economists and Miss Nancy E. Bower, assistant economist, outlined the growing program of assistance for farm women. They too reported that more and more city women are taking part in the educational projects available.

Guest speaker at the 44th annual meeting was J. Roger Deas, Atlantic division representative of the American Can Co. He told the 314 members and guests that processing and distribution methods are keeping pace with the nation's agricultural output in making available to the consumer more and better food than ever before in history.

The Flying Farmers of Lancaster County were honored at the dinner. Those attending were John B. Gehman, Barto, president of the Pennsylvania Flying Farmers, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Logan, Kennett Square, regional director, National Flying Farmers, James B. Endslo, R1 Marietta, William S. Endslo, R1 Marietta; Kenneth H. Harbeker, R1 Lancaster, S. A. Horton, Mt. Joy, Art Hostetter, R2 Mt. Joy,

D. S. Huber, R2 Peach Bottom, Robert B. Noll, 201 Rohrerstown Rd., Lancaster, Alvin J. Reist, Mt. Joy, Henry Reist, Mt. Joy; Amos Sheck, R2 Lititz, Dr. W. O. Woich, R4 Manheim, Lester Wolgemouth, R1 Mt. Joy, Elmer Groff, Rheems.

U. S. to Have Feed, Grain Display At Verona, Italy, International Fair

The U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced that its first market-promotion display of United States agricultural products at international trade fairs in 1957 will be an exhibit of livestock feed at the International Agricultural Fair in Verona, Italy, March 10 to 19.

The exhibit will feature the use of high protein feed concentrates, demonstrating to poultry raisers of Western Europe how more meat and more eggs can be obtained in less time and at less cost through the use of such feeds. The concentrates, of which soybean meal is the principal ingredient, are widely available for export from the United States. Also included in the exhibit will be United States feed grains —

corn, wheat, oats, barley and grain sorghums.

The exhibit, to be presented in cooperation with the Soybean Council of America, will emphasize the changes in poultry feeds and feeding methods in this country since World War II which have raised the production of broiler meat per pound of feed to an all-time high.

There will be displays of well-fed poultry and poultry products at all stages of production, processing and marketing from the incubator to the dinner table. Frozen poultry will be shown and cooked, and some live poultry will be flown from the United States for display.

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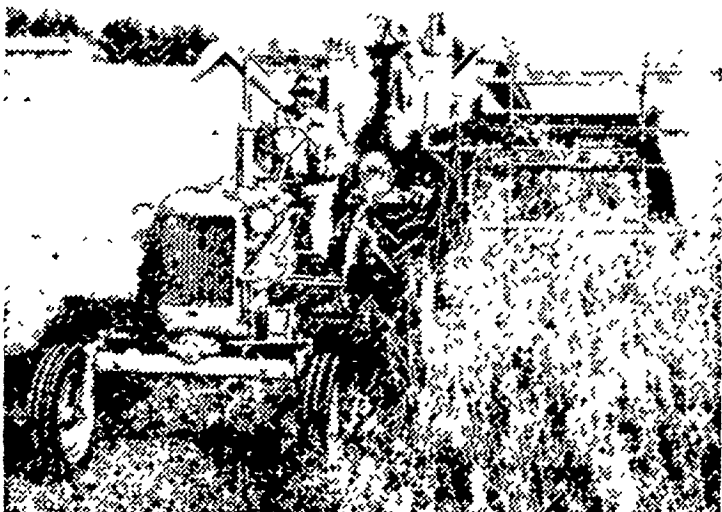
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