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Ebensshade is President of Extension Association

W. H. Esbensshade, 1631 Esbensshade Road, was re-elected to office as president of the Lancaster County Extension Association executive committee at the annual meeting of the group Thursday morning.

Esbensshade is returning to office after having been replaced by Lloyd Rohrer, Lancaster R7, vice president and Allen Risser, Bareville secretary.

Replacing Snively Garb- who is no longer a member of the executive com-

mittee, was Richard Lefever, Quarryville R1, treasurer.

In other business, the group set the last Tuesday evening of every other month as the regular meeting dates.

Delegates from the group to the Southeastern District conference of Extension Associates at Hershey on March 29 are Mrs. Harry Mummau, Manheim R1, Mrs. Robert Hess, Strasburg R1, Robert Groff, Quarryville R3

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NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS OF the Lancaster County Agriculture and Home Extension Association Executive Committee are standing (L to R) Treasurer, Richard Lefever, Quarryville R1 and Lloyd Rohrer, Lancaster R7; seated (L to R) Mrs. Allen Risser, Bareville R1, secretary and Willis Esbensshade, 1631 Esbensshade Road, Lancaster, president.

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Grasslands FFA Plans Banquet

Lamar Hollinger, of Denver R1, will be one of the guests present at the first annual FFA Parent-Son Banquet of the Grassland Chapter, Future Farmers of America of Garden Spot High School, New Holland.



LAMAR HOLLINGER

Lamar, who was the winner of the 1960 National FFA Public Speaking Contest held at Kansas City, Mo., will present his prize winning talk on conservation.

The Banquet will be held on Friday, March 25th in the cafeteria of the Garden Spot High School. Included on the program will be the presentation of awards. Four local men will receive the Honorary Chapter Farmer Degree for their interest and effort on behalf of the Vocational Agriculture department and the FFA. The men receiving this honorary degree are: George C. Delp, President of the New Holland Machine Company; A. B. C. Groff, owner of the Groff John Deere Agency of New Holland; Robert P. Simon, Supervising principal of the Eastern Lancaster County Joint School District; and Ivan S. Witmer, President of the Eastern Lancaster County Joint High School Board.

Twelve Certificates of Appreciation awards will also be presented to men in the area expressing the appreciation of the boys in the FFA for the contributions of these men to the success of the Vocational Agriculture program this year.

FIVE-DAY WEATHER FORECAST

Saturday - Wednesday
Temperatures will average four to eight degrees below normal for the next five days. Normal temperatures for this time of year range from a low of 33 at night to a high of 53 in the afternoon. Rather cold over the weekend followed by a rising trend. Some rain likely about Tuesday. Precipitation during the past week was .56 inch of which about four inches was snow and the rest rain.

Three Watershed Meetings Are Scheduled By SCD

The Lancaster County Soil Conservation District has announced programs for three watershed meetings during March. Two of the meetings are co-sponsored by other agricultural groups within the county while the third one is to be held in cooperation with the Lebanon County SCD.

First of the three meetings is scheduled to be held in the Donegal High School on March 22 at 7:30 p.m. The

Witness Oak Chapter FFA, co-sponsors of the meeting will furnish the entertainment and present several short talks on conservation.

A panel, moderated by Grant Miller, teacher of Vocational Agriculture at Donegal high school, will discuss observations they have made concerning conservation. Panel members will be Harry Zerphy, Leroy Heisey, Richard Yuninger, and Emory Herr, all farmers in the county. John Melhorn, associate Township Director of SCD, is general chairman for the event.

Sharing the sponsorship of the second watershed conference will be the Lampeter Young Farmers Association. On the panel at the March 24 meet will be Em-

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Fulton Grange Passes Two Resolutions

Two resolutions were passed by the Fulton Grange #66 meeting in regular session in Oakryn Hall recently.

First of the resolutions places the group on record as opposing House Bill 4700 and similarly designed legislation on the grounds that such bills would tend to encourage socialized medicine

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Tree Seedlings Still Available

Harrisburg — Secretary of Forests and Waters Maurice K. Goddard said today that the deadline for procuring seedlings from State Forest Tree Nurseries has been extended to March 21 in order for the nurseries to dispose of as much existing stock as possible. Original deadline was February 15.

Species available are: White Pine, European Larch, Austrian Pine. Goddard said that the White Pine, is particular, is "an excellent three-year stock."

Interested land owners may place orders for seedlings and get planting information from John Kitch, service forester, Reinholds R1.



TREATING TOBACCO SEED with Silver Nitrate solution on the farm of Harold B. Endslo, Marietta R1 is Associate County Agent Harry Sloat. The solution will help control wildfire in the tobacco bed, but since it is a poison requires caution in handling. Here Sloat is giving the seed first rinsing after the three minute soaking required to the job.

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County Agents Treat Tobacco Seed to Help Control Wildfire Disease

Tobacco Wildfire disease is a setback on some Lancaster County farms this week as representatives of extension service cleaned and treated 125 batches of tobacco seed at four different locations.

Here Winthrop Merriam, assistant county agent, and Harold Endslo, president of the Lancaster County Tobacco Growers Assn. discuss old seed blower used to blow the chaff and light seed out of the good seed, in Endslo's tobacco cellar at Marietta R1

After the seed had been

cleaned it was given a bath in a solution of Silver Nitrate by Associate County Agent Harry Sloat.

"Will that really keep wildfire out of my tobacco bed?" one farmer asked.

"Well, it will kill the spores on the seed, but they could blow out from your shed onto the bed. But this is good insurance." Sloat answered.

Sloat cautioned the farmers that even though the seed received one washing after treatment, it should be washed again before being dried because Silver Nitrate is a deadly poison.

4-H Holstein Club Date Announced

The reorganizational meeting of the Lancaster County 4-H Holstein Club will be held March 24 at 7:30 p.m., at the Farm Bureau Building, Dillerville Road, Lancaster.

According to Victor Plastow, Associate County Agent, this is one of the largest clubs in the county with almost 90 members last year.

In addition to election of officers for the coming year the program will include a recently released moving picture on detection and treatment of mastitis in dairy cattle.

All interested youth and parents are urged to attend the meeting.



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