

● Harry S. Sloat

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poultry exchange and association boards as an advisor.

For his outstanding work in poultry, the association in 1952 presented Sloat with a \$500 purse.

"So many things have happened, I can't remember them all," Sloat said when asked about some of the memorable events in his 64 years, but several things stand out as highlights.

In 1957, Sloat received the Distinguished Service Award for Agriculture from the National Association of County Agriculture Agents. The award was presented at the annual meeting of the association in Boston where Sloat had gone that year as president of the Pennsylvania Association of Agriculture Agents.

During his career, Sloat attended five other National Association meetings traveling to Lansing, Michigan; Philadelphia; Houston, Texas; Seattle, Washington, and most recently to Miami, Fla.

"I was scheduled to go to the meeting in Salt Lake City one year, but I was sick or something and didn't make it," Sloat said.

Before moving up to the post of president, Sloat served during 1956 as secretary-treasurer of the Pennsylvania

Assn. of County Agents.

In a position to accept many top jobs in commercial fields and governmental agencies, Sloat has preferred to remain at the farmer's level. He has covered over a half-million miles of county roads, advising and consulting with farmers and agricultural leaders.

Vegetable producers have relied heavily on Sloat's educational program that has kept pace, first with the expansion of processing crops in the county, and later with cost-saving methods.

Both farmers and researchers claim Sloat to be "invaluable" in testing selection of strains of lettuce, early tomatoes, sweet corn and celery.

He assisted in the purchase and equipping of the Southeastern Field Research Station at Landisville in '51. He also picked out the station's current farm at Mannheim R1.

A native of Rockport, he holds a B.S. and M.S. from PSU. He married a college classmate, the former Emma L. Carey in 1927. They are the parents of three daughters and a son.

Sloat is a member of the Colerain Grange, a deacon of the First Presbyterian Church and a member of Epiphany Sigma Phi, honorary

SCD Signs Up 128 New Farms During 1960

Four applications for Soil Conservation plans approved by the Lancaster County Soil Conservation District Monday night brought the total for the year to 128 new cooperators.

The 1959 total was 126, but the total acres covered that year was almost 3,600 acres greater than the 1960 acreage. One of the reasons for the seeming discrepancy was the signing up of two very large public tracts in 1959.

Almost 2,000 acres in the Octorara water company tract came under conservation plans last year, and another plot of over 2,000 acres

agricultural extension fraternity.

Sloat said Tuesday night he has no plans for the immediate future after retirement.

"I have about five years work piled up around home to catch up on, and I want to see some of the country, so I guess I won't have to worry about running out of things to do for awhile," he said.

in East Earl Twp., owned by Little Britain, Twp., 110 acres, and John D. Erb, was covered by conservation plans. Quarryville R3, Bart Township, 90 acres.

The 126 new cooperators in 1959 received plans on a minimum, other items of business were postponed until the next meeting, January 4, 1961.

With the addition of the four new plans on Monday night, the SCD now has a total of 1,955 plans in effect in the county.

The new cooperators, address, township and acres are as follows: John H Hostetter, Quarryville, Co'erain Twp., 70 acres; Titus N Zimmerman, Stevens R1, East Cocalico Twp. 70 acres; R J. Shaub, Quarryville R1, both money and trouble.

Because the snowstorm held attendance to a minimum, other items of business were postponed until the next meeting, January 4, 1961.

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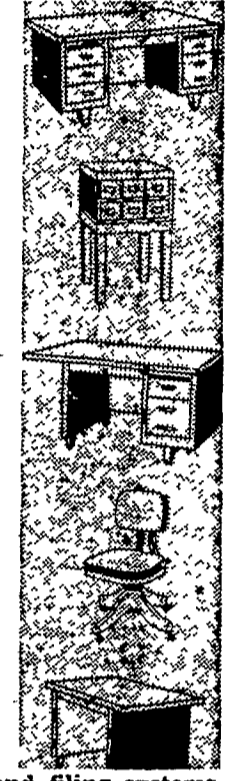
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