



THE PANEL OF YOUNG FARMERS who discussed the aims and purposes of their organization Tuesday at the meeting of Region II are L to R, Forney Longenecker, Lititz R3, James Bistline, Landisburg, Perry County, state president and moderator, Gene Daugherty, teacher of vocational agriculture at Gardner Spot High School, New Holland; Clyde Jackson, Chester and Delaware area advisor of vocational agriculture and Alfred Overly, Quarryville R1, regional vice president of the Penna. Young Farmers Association L F Photo

Farm Numbers Continue Down

The number of farms in the United States declined more than one-third over the period 1950 to 1962, according to a recent report of the United States Department of Agriculture. Stabilization and Conser-

vation Service County Office. The number of farms decreased from 4,105,000 in 1959 to 3,518,000 in 1961, a reduction of 7 percent in the 2-year period the report shows. This decrease in number of farms continues the downtrend which started slowly after 1935 and gained speed during the 1950's. Between

1950 and 1959, farm numbers in the then 48 States dropped from 5,618,000 to 4,097,000—down more than one-fourth.

“What happened to these farms,” the report continues. “They were consolidated into larger places mainly despite many losses to such nontarm uses as suburban expansions.”

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Regional Young Farmers Review Aims and Purposes

Pennsylvania Young Farmers in Region II evaluated the purposes and progress of their program Tuesday at a meeting in the New Solanco High School.

Discussing “The Purposes of our Young Farmers Association,” members and advisors of the organization took a good look at the YFA and the objectives of the group.

James Bistline, State President of the organization of Landisburg, Perry County, moderated a panel composed of Forney Longenecker, Lititz R3, former state secretary of the Penna. YFA; Gene Daugherty, teacher of vocational agriculture at New Holland High School; Kenneth Thompson, teacher of vocational agriculture at Oxford Area High School; Chester County and Clyde Jackson, area advisor of vocational agriculture and YFA in Chester and Delaware Counties.

During the afternoon session Daniel Coble, graduate assistant on the staff of the Department of Agricultural Education at the Pennsylvania State University, showed slides and described the work of Young Farmer Groups throughout the state.

T. M. Malin, area advisor for Lancaster and York Counties, reviewed the meeting, stressing the need for a differ-

ent name for the organization. He said the name “Young Farmers” is misleading because many of the members of the group are past the 30 year mark. The name refers only to their young attitude toward learning, he said.

Speaking on the need for public relations in agriculture, Jack Owen, Editor of Lancaster Farming, asked “Who speaks for Agriculture?”

He said so many people claim to be speaking for the farmer that no one is doing an effective job.

There are three ways in which a group can speak for the farmer,” he said. “These are by advertising, publicity and public relations.”

Advertising is good because you can control the message, but it is expensive. Many farm organizations, such as Poultry and Egg National Board and American Dairy Association, are doing a good job of advertising, but the farmer must be willing to pay for having his message delivered to the consumer.

Publicity is free but it is not always good. The farmer has very little control of the message which reaches the consumer. As examples he cited the cranberry scare of a few years ago, the egg cholesterol turot and the Strontium 90 in

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