

## Meets Scheduled By County SCD

Lancaster County Soil Conservation District Directors, meeting in the county court house in regular monthly meetings Monday night, voted to cooperate with the annual Farm-City day program sponsored by the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce and the Agricultural Council.

In other business, the directors set October 8 as the an-

nual meeting with the associate directors. At the meeting, directors will discuss methods which have proven successful in conducting local watershed meetings in the past. Several watershed meetings have been tentatively scheduled for later this winter.

**Without Pay**  
All soil conservation district directors serve without pay.

Elmer Sensenich, district director said it is hard for some people to understand why the directors are so dedicated to the program of con-

servaion unless they get paid for their services.

No director is paid by any organization, nor do any directors receive any money for encouraging their neighbors to sign up with the district for a free conservation plan.

The conservation plan is free to any farmer who requests it. The Soil Conservation Service is not a part of any other government farm program. Martin Muth, Work Unit Conservationist in the Lancaster office of the Soil Conservation Service, pointed

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out. Soil conservation is in no way connected with crop quotas or support prices.

The conservation plan is free and the farmer is under no obligation to follow it for any specified time, Muth said, but it is to the farmer's advantage to install the prescribed practices on the land.

The Lancaster County Soil Conservation District Directors — Amos Funk, chairman, Elmer Sensenich, Elmer V. Good

and Henry Hackman — serve without pay on the committee, they say, because they believe in the idea of soil conservation and they know the plan will not work perfectly until all the land in a watershed is under soil saving cultivation practices.

Any Lancaster County Farmer is invited and urged to contact any of the directors or the Soil Conservation Service in Lancaster with any questions about the service.

"If we could just get all the farmers to see the value and the importance of keeping the soil where it belongs, we could get this job done," Funk said. "But there are still too many farmers who are not convinced it is the right thing to do. We would like to talk to them whenever we can."

# BLUE COMB

## A disease which attacks growing pullets and young laying chickens.

**ORIGIN:** Not of bacterial origin, but otherwise suggestive of a contagious or infectious disease. Current view point: Probably a virus disease.

**SYMPTOMS:** Sudden decreased feed consumption, drop in egg production, depression and whitish watery diarrhea. Individual birds may have crop distension, sunken eyes, dark blue combs, shriveled shanks.

Post Mortem usually shows pale breast muscle resembling the flesh of fish. Crop is often filled with sour-smelling food. Small yellowish spots may appear on the liver. Enlargement of kidneys is common with the accumulation of urates.

**CAUTION:** Accurate diagnosis is necessary to differentiate between Blue Comb and Fowl Cholera.

**TREATMENT:** Several types of treatment formerly recommended have mostly been replaced by the use of the Broad Spectrum antibiotics or a combination of one of these with Furazolidone contained in a highly fortified feed.

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