

Vo-Ag Programs Must Expand To Meet Job Needs

Vocational agriculture programs in high schools will need to expand to meet the demands for workers in off-farm agricultural occupations, a recent study in 17 counties indicates. The study was directed by the Department of Agricultural Education at The Pennsylvania State University and the State Department of Public Instruction, Harrisburg.

The study found that managers of businesses and services in the 17 counties expect to employ 1,000 persons with skills in agriculture each year for the next five years. High school graduates are preferred for most of the jobs.

To fill these positions with vocational agriculture graduates, the \$6 vo-ag departments in the 17 counties will need to train 12 students each year for employment in off-farm agricultural occupations. This does not include young men who go into farming each year.

Project leader for the survey was Norman K Hoover, associate professor of agricultural education at Penn State in cooperation with Ivan C McGee graduate assistant in agricultural education. The two-year analysis was undertaken following passage of the Federal Vocational Education Act of 1963 which, in effect called for a survey of employment in the agricultural industry.

Eighty-two percent of the full and part-time employees needed in the next five years will be hired in fields of farm supplies and equipment, livestock and poultry industries, and ornamental horticulture, the study showed.

A high school education was desired for the beginning employee in 90 percent of 271 job titles reported. About 79 percent of the total number of employees to be hired in the next five years will be skilled and semi-skilled.

Meat Industry And USDA Push Beef Abroad

A special restaurant featuring United States beef will be opened in Brussels, Belgium in conjunction with the Brussels Fair, Oct 30—Nov 14. The restaurant is part of a program to acquaint Europeans with the high "eat-ability" and flavor of U S fed beef. The American Meat Institute reports.

Although beef supplies in the United States are at record levels, comparably small amounts of American meat are exported to Europe. It is hoped that beef exports will be expanded significantly through the Market Development Program for Beef currently being sponsored by the American Meat Institute and the U S Department of Agriculture.

Franz Rotter and Joseph Amherd, executives of the Fred Harvey Corporation, Chicago, will manage the restaurant. Approximately 18,000 pounds of choice U S beef have been shipped to Brussels for the two-week exhibition. In addition to the 136-seat restaurant, the American exhibit at the international fair will feature an area which will sell U. S. beef.

Middle Creek

(Continued from Page 1) than 20 acres," the Commission claimed.

"The Game Commission already holds 22 approved contracts for purchase of about 1000 acres as well as options on two additional tracts, all of them obtained through negotiation with the property owners involved.

"It is also interesting to note that contract prices for individual farms already negotiated include \$63,300 for one of 121 acres; \$50,500 for one of 101 acres; \$49,000 for one of 109 acres; \$40,200 for one of 80 acres; \$39,000 for one of 89 acres and \$33,000 for one of 71 acres.

"All told the average price per acre to be paid under the 22 existing contracts amounts to \$540 including buildings located thereon.

"Finally, it is also important to realize that, contrasted with the attitude of a small hard-core group of objectors, the Game Commission has in its files resolutions and petitions representing nearly 50,000 individuals favoring the project. The Commission concluded.

Farm Mech. Course

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Listed below is an outline of classes and proposed dates of each of the class sessions. All meetings will begin at 7:29 p.m., and all field trips at 1 p.m. First class scheduled for Nov. 9.

Nov. 9, Farmstead Mechanization in Relation to the Future; 16 Farm Credit Sources; 23 Feedlot Planning; Dec. 2, Feedlot Planning; 7, Principles of Materials Handling; 10, Field trip to feedlots in area; 14, Equipment for Handling Grains and Supplements; 17, Field trip on types of feeders; 21, Selecting Electrical Equipment; Jan. 18, Handling and Feeding Silage; 21, 1:00 p.m. Field trip to feedlot layout; 25, Mechanical Hayhandling Methods; Feb. 1, Mechanical Hayhandling Methods; 8, Mechanical Handling of Manures; The Management and Handling of Bedding Materials; 11, 1:00 p.m. Field trip on manure handling systems; 15, Farm Safety Principles and Fire Prevention.

hamburgers and beef sandwiches.

Brooks Keogh, president of the American National Cattlemen's Association and a member of the AMI European Market Development Committee, will be a speaker at the business portion of the Brussels Fair. Representatives of the AMI and USDA will also attend the international meeting.

Farm Calendar

(Continued from Page 1) Sam Guss, speaker, subject "Calfhood Diseases," November 5 — 8 p.m. 4-H Achievement night program at Penn Manor High School — 8 p.m. Dairy Clinic at Manheim Twp. Jr. High Sch. (old high school). Same speaker and subject shown Thursday at Solanco.

A U S Department of Agriculture study stated "News-papers are the best medium for food advertising and for marketing information on food. The printed word can be read, reread, clipped and

Steers Selected For Farm Show

Thirty-four 4-H Club steers were picked Tuesday to represent Lancaster County in the 1966 Pennsylvania Farm Show. They were selected from among 117 head at the Red Rose 4-H Baby Beef and Lamb Club roundup at the Lancaster Union Stock Yards by judges Herman Purdy and Thomas Merritt of the Penn State University animal science department.

Most of the remaining 83 steers represented Lancaster County in the Southeastern District Baby Beef Show on Wednesday.

Owners of steers selected for the Farm Show were:

ANGUS (15)

Kathy Weaver, William Fiev, Kenneth Hess, John Fiev, Robert Landis, Marvin Nissley, Barry Longenecker, Robert Donough, Edwin Hess, Jay Hess, Sharon Weaver, Linda Ober, Larry Weaver and Glenn Pickinger.

HIREFORD (15)

William Hollinger, Carol Hess, James Kettering, Har-

old Welk, John Lefever, H. Rutt, Mark W. Hosler, Michael Hosler, Judy Drager, Nancy Frey, Faye Brubaker, Robert Book, J. Everett Krol, Donald Nissley, Lorraine Forry, Mary Ellen Kettering, Kay Weaver, Dallas Wolgemuth, and Larry Herr.

SHORTHORN

Donna Hess, Mary Lou Landis, Lynn Royer, and John Welk.

Local Farmers Attend Agway Annual Meeting

Area farmers attending the first annual meeting of Agway Inc. Oct. 21-22, in Syracuse, N.Y., heard reports of a successful year in terms of business volume earnings and members' use of Agway products and services.

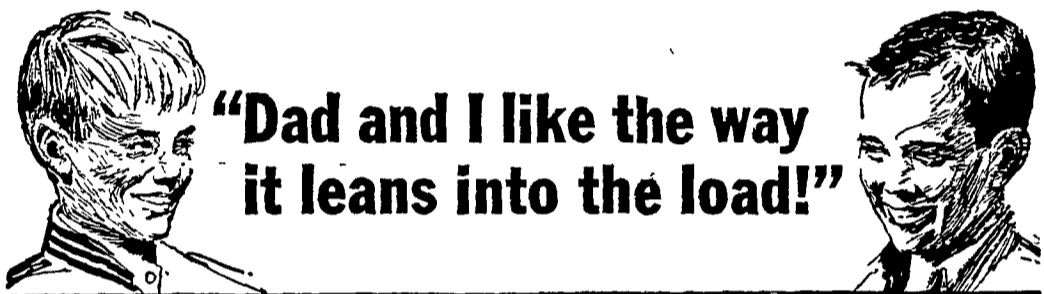
Local members present included store managers: Dean Fraley, Reuben B. Hess, Agway Representatives: Lester Gehman, Jacob L. Kurtz, Enos Buckwalter, Henry Hoover, Agway Member Committeemen: J. Ziegler, Hess, John E. Campbell, Henry Sherk, Robert F. Bienerman, Paul G. Ruhl, Roy B. Stoner, Samuel U. Berler, Amos

Announcement was made at the meeting of a special members' family bonus amounting to \$3 a ton on Agway mill-mixed formula feed, effective immediately.

The bonus was approved by the Agway board of directors, General Manager E. H. Fallon said, to help members "at a time when the drought in much of the Northeast has left many of them with heavier than usual operating expenses."

Fallon reported total volume of \$338 million for Agway's first year, and earnings of about \$8 million, before federal income taxes.

Farmer purchases included 2.1 million tons of feed, 438,000 tons of fertilizer, 58 million pounds of seed and 652,000 tons of lime.



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