

# Reflections

(From the files of Lancaster Farming)

## One Year Ago

February, 1965

### Penna. Tobacco Raisers Reject Quotas . . .

Pennsylvania tobacco growers again voted overwhelmingly against marketing quotas and price supports for Type 41 tobacco. The percent against quotas was 87, with 2,900 county growers voting.

### Farmers Union Holds Banquet . . .

At its first annual banquet meeting, held at Rhoads Spanish Tavern, Quarryville, the Lancaster County Farmers Union hosted Dwyte Wilson, NFU Washington representative.

Wilson told the approximately 75 area farmers and guests a little about the history and philosophy of the NFU. He expressed the hope that legislation will be passed in this session of Congress enabling the Secretary of Agriculture to buy commodities for foreign distribution.

tion on the open market, instead of being allowed to use only surplus products.

"If we were able to meet our present overseas commitments, you people would be getting 25-40 cents more per hundredweight for your milk," Wilson told the group.

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### F & H Campaign Nears Peak . . .

Volunteer workers serving in the Lancaster County Farm and Home Foundation campaign turned in an additional \$18,800 in pledges and cash gifts within the past week. This brought the total fund raised to date to \$121,200. The drive is moving steadily ahead, according to campaign officials.

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### Red Rose Farmer Degrees To 36 Youths . . .

Thirty-six Lancaster County Future Farmers of America received the coveted Red Rose Farmer Degree this week. The award is based on achievement and demonstrated leadership quality.

## Sugarbeets Possible County Crop . . .

During the past growing season, the Agronomy and Extension departments of Penn State University co-operated in a study of several experimental sugar beet plantings in the area.

Analysis of the data showed that sugar beets is a crop that could be considered for Lancaster County. According to Dr. Albert S. Hunter, professor of soil technology, the value of beets as a cash crop has overshadowed the important by-product possibilities that beets offer. The tops may be fed as green chop, or ensiled for livestock feed, and the beet pulp is an important feed ingredient in dairy and beef cattle rations, Hunter said.

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### Linear Programming Service Now Available . . .

The Penn State Extension Service has added a new electronic data processing service. It will provide farmers and agricultural businesses with more accurate answers to their management problems, and will aid in decisions where a number of factors enter into consideration. It will help in solving complex problems, or assist in choosing alternative systems that would be more feasible in the farming enterprise, the extension spokesman said.

## Five Years Ago

February, 1961

### County Agent Predicts Fewer Farm Visits . . .

According to M. M. Smith, the work of the county agent will become more and more that of a coordinator.

The shift to suburban living by large numbers of people will put pressures on the county agent's office to use more mass media for dissemination of information. The demonstration method and the farm visit will give way, at least in part, to the use of press, radio, and television to reach the public. Smith spoke to 300 farmers and their families at the annual Extension Association banquet. He reassured them that the primary function of the County Agent's office would continue to be getting

out information to farmers and homemakers.

The association reelected Mrs. J. Everett Kreider of Quarryville to the executive committee, and added new members J. Richard Kreider, Mannheim R3; C. Warren Leininger, Denver R2; Leroy K. Andrews, Lancaster R7; and Melvin R. Stoltzfus, Ronks R1.

### \* \* \* \* \* Poultry Assn.

Reelects Myer . . . Mark Myer, Lampeter, was elected to his second consecutive term as president of the Lancaster County Poultry Association at a recent meeting of the board of directors.

Charles Warfel, Conestoga R2, and Daniel K. Good, Columbia R2, were returned to the offices of secretary and treasurer, respectively. Ben Burkholder, New Hol-

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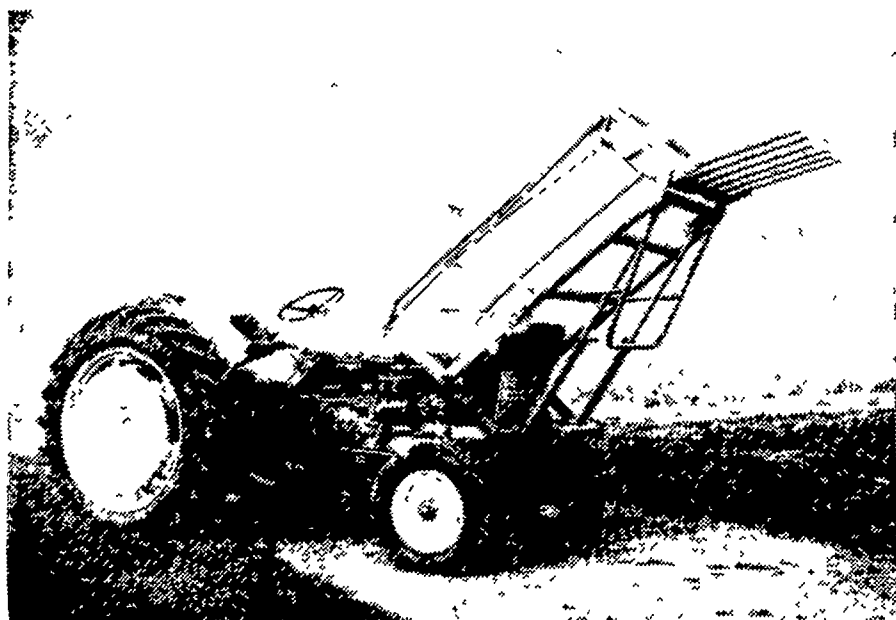
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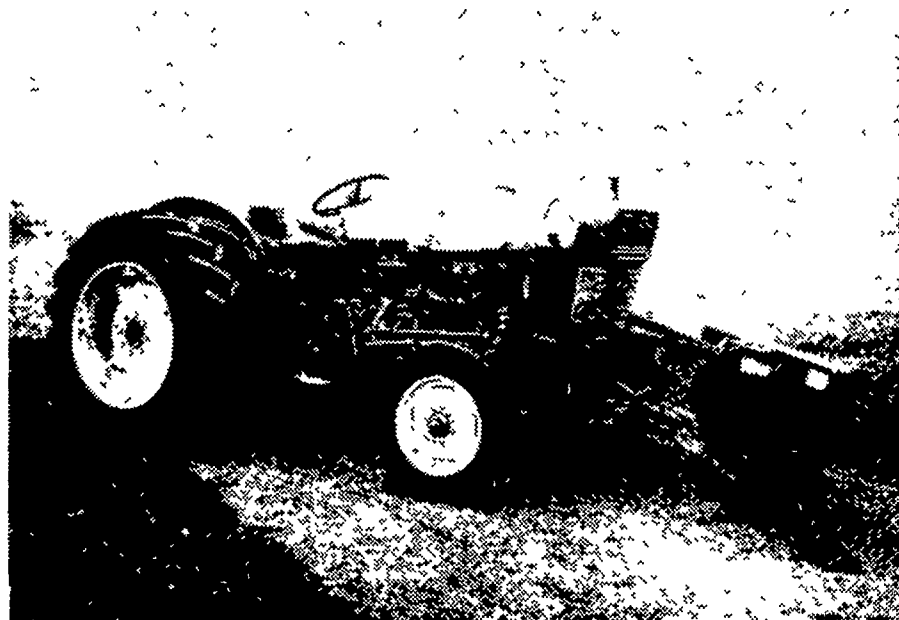
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