

Reflections

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and, was elected to succeed Eugene Cassel as vice-president.

The board also voted to continue Glenn H. Herr of East Petersburg as auction manager for another year.

Conservation Districts Urge Soil Surveys

Pennsylvania soil conservation districts have launched an attack to get the state's soil resources surveyed by 1967. Planning commissions, land developers, industry and agriculture urgently need the survey information, according to Henry Hackman of Manheim R2, member of the executive council of the Pennsylvania Association of Soil Conservation District Directors.

Hackman said only one-third of the state's counties have been surveyed at this time.

Vegetable Growers Elect Funk For 5th Year . . .

The Pennsylvania Vegetable Growers Association re-elected Amos Funk of Millersville R1, Lancaster County's largest vegetable grower, to his fifth straight term

as association president.

Another Millersville area grower was also returned to office by the state organization when Rudolph Gorb was named to his fourth term as secretary-treasurer.

Lefever Named Pres.

Richard Lefever, Quarryville R1, was elected president of the Lancaster County 4-H Leader's Council, succeeding Mrs. Harold Frey.

Everett Kreider, also of Quarryville R1, was named vice-president, and Mrs. Walter Overgaard, Lancaster R4, secretary-treasurer of the organization.

Baby Beef Club

Some 150 members of the Red Rose Baby Beef & Lamb Club and their families fought through a snow storm to attend the club's annual banquet.

Following a prime roast beef dinner, trophies were presented to Marman Frey, Quarryville R1, for her grand championship Farm Show win, and for high project book score.

Fred Linton, Jr., received a trophy for his reserve Farm Show win, as did Mary

Jane Herr, Refton, who had the reserve Hereford champ. Billy Hackman, Elizabethtown R3, posted the highest daily gain of 2.18 pounds with his Hereford steer.

Bucher On State FHA Committee . . .

Abram G. Bucher, 1114 Ross St., Lancaster, has been appointed to the state advisory committee of the Farmers Home Administration.

Bucher, who was manager of farmer relations for the Lancaster County National Bank for 15 years, will assist FHA in adapting the agency's policies to the needs of Pennsylvania farmers.

Ten Years Ago

February, 1956

February Opens With Floods And Winds . . .

Following an abnormally dry January, minor floods poured over lowlands in scattered sections after a three-day sleet and rain storm lashed the county.

Between Quarryville and Christiana, near Green Tree, water was reported bumper deep. Pequea Creek left its

banks near the west end of Interchange covered the road to New Holland, and Mill Creek jumped four feet to overflow a bridge between Monterey and Bird-in-Hand.

Hogs Up \$1; Hit \$15.50 . . .

1870 head of Lancaster County hogs were sold at the Stock Yards this week with 180-220 lbs. bringing \$15-\$15.50 per hundredweight. Heavyweights ranged \$13.75 to \$14.75. The few sows offered brought \$8.50-\$10.50.

Wage Costs On Farms At Record High . . .

Pennsylvania farmers are now paying all-time record wage rates for hired help, despite a 10 percent decline in cash receipts for their products during the past four years, according to William L. Henning, State Secretary of Agriculture.

Between January 1, 1955 and January 1, 1956, the farm wage rate per hour, without board or room, advanced from an average of 90 cents to 95 cents. Farm workers supplied with a house this January averaged wages of \$158 per month,

up \$6 from last year. Wage rates with board and room now average \$112. Farmers are now paying \$7.20 per day for workers, without board and room.

Barn Raised On

Landis Martin Farm . . . Approximately 150 farm friends moved in on the Landis Martin farm at Lititz R1 this week to rebuild a barn destroyed by fire October 21.

The barn originally built by Jacob Brubaker in 1805, burned in 1897 and 1914. An arsonist admitted setting the most recent blaze.

Hooper Renamed Livestock

Mart. Chief . . .

John M. Hooper, who will complete 50 years service with the Lancaster Stock Yards in 1958, was reelected to his 18th consecutive term as president of the Lancaster Livestock Exchange. Other officers reelected were: J. P. Warfel, vice-president; W. S. Bixler, secretary; W. M. Dunlap, Sr., treasurer; and W. M. Dunlap, Jr., assistant treasurer.

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