

## Grange Favors Restrictions On Susquehanna River Compact

Lancaster County Pomona Grange #71 held its picnic meeting August 20 at the Quarryville Memorial Park with Colerain Grange as host. Miss Helen Wanner, Lecturer, conducted games.

Pomona Master, Charles G. McSparran, presided at the business meeting when it was decided to entertain fifty farmers and their wives from England in the spring of 1967.

The following resolutions were adopted: "Whereas, There has been a Susquehanna River Compact, drawn up and approved by an Interstate Advisory Committee composed of members from the Federal Government, Pennsylvania, New York and Maryland, to be presented to each of the General Assemblies of the states involved for approval or rejection: And

Whereas, Approval of said compact would place in the hands of four men the authority to control the water rights of over 48,000 farms, or more than half of the farms in Pennsylvania. It would designate areas within the basin where water could not be withdrawn for any purpose including farm crop irrigation without a permit. It grants the right to condemn land, riparian rights, water rights and other real and personal property within the basin for any project or facility authorized by the compact. And

Whereas, 20,900 of the total drainage area of 27,500 square miles is in Pennsylvania and under this compact our state

would have only one vote, far out of line with the area affected. Be it

Resolved, That Lancaster County Pomona Grange #71 meeting in regular session go on record as opposed to the Susquehanna River Compact in its present form and suggest that the compact be amended to control only the water flowing down the river with ample provisions to protect the water rights of all individuals and communities living near said river."

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(Continued from Page 1) review these recommendations. The meeting will be held at the Farm Credit Office, 411 West Roseville Rd., Lancaster, beginning at 8 p.m., Plastov said.

## Ensiling Poor Quality Hay Doesn't Improve It

The use of legumes and grasses for low-moisture silage, or haylage, is increasing, according to Dr. W. R. Hesseltine, extension dairyman at the University of Delaware. This increase is due to the mechanization of feed handling systems, the reduction of forage quality by bad weather during harvest and the reduced feeding value of direct-chop, ensiled material.

Low-moisture legume and grass silage may be useful in a dairy feeding program, Hesseltine believes. However, it is no more nutritious than comparable quality hay or wilted silage of the same crop.

Merely ensiling a poor quality hay crop in the mature stage of growth does not make the haylage a highly nutritive feed. The haylage cannot be any better, or even as good, ensiled as it would be if fed as is, Hesseltine points out.

He recommends that dairy-men using this kind of rough-

age feed have a chemical analysis to determine the actual feeding value. The necessary protein level of the grain mix depends on the quality of protein in the roughage and the amount of roughage fed.

To avoid excessive spoilage of this type of haylage, the material must be ensiled with as little air as possible. Good quality haylage has been recovered from concrete tower silos as well as airtight silos, but trench silos should not be used, Hesseltine advises.

## Liquid Feed Franchise To Local Distributor

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