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Ticket Deadline For Dague Testimonial Set At Nov. 21st

Advance reservations for the testimonial dinner planned for retiring Congressman Paul B. Dague for November 25th are going well, ticket committee chairman Mrs. Clyde Wivell reported this week. She reminded anyone planning to attend the affair, which will be held at the Dutch Town & Country Inn, Vintage, has until Monday, November 21, to buy a ticket. Tickets are available through any of the Lancaster-Chester County Farmers' Association directors.

The two county farmer associations are co-sponsoring the testimonial in tribute to Dague's long service to the people of the 9th Congressional District.

Featured speaker for the evening will be Marvyn Mc-

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A \$1000 HANDSHAKE — Lancaster County Soil & Water Conservation District director chairman Amos H. Funk, center, transfers \$1000 bond to M. M. Smith, right, who accepted on behalf of the Lancaster County Farm & Home Foundation. The donation will be added to the building fund for the Farm & Home Center. Looking on are SWCD directors, from left, Aaron Z. Stauffer; J. Everett Kreider; and Henry H. Hackman.

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SWCD Adds To Growing Farm & Home Fund

The ever-growing fund to build Lancaster County's Farm & Home Center got another boost Monday night when directors of the Lancaster County Soil & Water Conservation District donated \$1000 to the cause.

The donation derived from government bonds which the District bought when it discontinued ownership of its own conservation equipment SWCD chairman Amos H. Funk said, in making the donation, that he hoped other county organizations might be inspired to add their contributions to speed the proposed \$430,000 Center toward a financially stable and rapid completion.

At this week's meeting, (Continued on Page 12)

1966 Pennsylvania Seedleaf Tobacco Crop Smallest Since '57

The original estimate about six weeks ago for the 1966 Type 41 tobacco crop, at 42.5 million pounds, remains unchanged, according to an announcement this week by the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service.

The current production estimate is 17 percent less than last year's crop, and 19 percent below the five-year average (1960-64). It is the smallest crop harvested since 1957, PCRS reports.

A combination of fewer acres

planted this year and poorer yields are the primary causes of this 9-year-low in Pennsylvania Seedleaf production. An expected yield of 1700 pounds per acre will be 200 pounds behind last year's yield, and 95 pounds below the five-year average. Two thousand fewer acres were planted to Type 41 tobacco this year than in 1965.

Late season rainfall over much of the area delayed harvest completion until October.

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State To Gather Farm Information

HARRISBURG — Latest statistics on the state's agriculture will be collected late this month in a survey to be conducted by the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service.

Much of the information about livestock, poultry, eggs, crops, farm labor and wages, and land in farms will be collected by enumerators who will interview farmers, according to Elmer Nordberg, agricultural statistician. Additional data will be obtained from mailed questionnaires to be filled out and returned by individual farmers.

The survey, Nordberg said, will start late this month and end early in December.

F. Longenecker, President State Young Farmer Assn.

STATE COLLEGE, PA. — The presidency of the Pennsylvania Young Farmer Association stayed in Lancaster County for a second year as delegates to the association's annual convention at Penn State University this week named Forney F. Longenecker, Lititz R3, president for 1967. Outgoing president was Paul B. Kline, also of Lititz R3. Steels comprise the main farming enterprise for both Longenecker and Kline.

Another countian, Jay Rohrer, Manheim R2, was named to replace Longenecker as public relations chairman and newsletter editor.

Young farmers from all over the state turned out in record numbers for this year's convention with some 300 attending the banquet held at the Nittany Lion Inn.

The 1100-member state association added six new chapters this year to bring the total number of YFA chapters in Pennsylvania to 44. New chapters are Liberty, Red Lion, Kutztown, Kennard-Dale, Conrad Weiser, and Northampton.

A dairyman from Liberty, Pa., Gerald Parker, was named the State's Outstanding Young Farmer for 1966.

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Grassland & Forage Conference To Feature Research Progress

The place of forage crop research in the total farm picture including a challenge for future achievements in research, will be featured under the topic "Forage Research Horizons" at the 7th annual Grassland and Forage Conference November 21 and 22 at Penn State University. The speaker will be Henry R. Fortmann, assistant director of the Agricultural Experiment Station at Penn State.

Among other research speakers, John B. Washko, professor of agronomy, will discuss late plantings of summer annuals and corn, both for green chop, to take the place of forage wiped out by drought. Washko will also suggest the use of earlier than normal plantings of small grains for pasture and green chop. All meetings will be held in the Nittany Lion Inn.

In addition, Washko will describe experiments with in-

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Closing Dates For Farm Show Entries Listed

HARRISBURG — Closing dates for State Farm Show entries, other than most classes of farm livestock and poultry, were announced this week by Horace L. Mann, show director. The show, No. 51, will be held January 9 to 13.

Entry closing dates listed were: November 28, 4-H Entomology Clubs — mounted specimens of insects that, unless controlled, feed on farm crops and prey upon farm animals; December 1, 4-H and FFA tractor driving; December 3, 4-H lambs, poultry breed meets, turkeys, 4-H capons, vocational poultry, and broiler and roaster chickens; December 10, horse and mule pulling contest; December 16, producer-dealer quality eggs; December 23, 4-H sheep blocking and grooming; January 2, 4-H potato grading; January 7, individual apiary exhibits, corn, small grains, all potatoes, hay, all tobacco, wool, all vegetable.

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YOUNG FARMER ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT Forney Longenecker of Lititz R3 addressing the more than 300 members at the association's state convention held this week at Penn State University.

Farm Calendar

November 21 — 21st and 22nd, Pennsylvania Grassland & Forage Conference at Penn State University.

— 6 p.m., Red Rose DHIA directors meet, Exchange Room, Union Stock Yards, Lancaster.

November 22 — 7:30 p.m., Agway annual meeting for Lancaster County, at Manheim Central High School, Manheim.

November 24 — Anytime between noon and midnight, Lancaster County Turkey Eaters Association members (Continued on Page 9)

RED ROSE DHIA DIRECTORS TO PLAN ANNUAL MEETING

Directors of the Red Rose Dairy Herd Improvement Association will hold their regular quarterly meeting Monday, November 21, at 8 p.m.

According to association adviser Victor Plastow, this will be a planning meeting in preparation for the association's annual get-together which will be coming up in January.

Monday night's meeting will be held in the Exchange Room at the Union Stock Yards, Lancaster.