

Lancaster Farming

SECOND SECTION

Garden Spot YFA Elects Officers, Makes Awards At Annual Banquet

The Garden Spot Young Farmers' Association held its 6th annual awards banquet last Friday at the Blue Ball Fire Hall. Some 78 members, guests, and wives were welcomed to the affair by association president Charles Martin.

Special guests included: Earl Sauder and Arthur Good, New Holland businessmen. Sauder operates Earl Sauder, Inc., a feed and fuel business, and Good is president of A.B.C. Groff, Inc., a farm machinery firm. They were honored in appreciation of their support of the Young Farmers' educational program.

Other guests were: Robert Simon, supervising principal of the Eastern Lancaster County School District; Robert Herr, vocational agriculture

teacher at Garden Spot; and student teacher Donald Pentz. Jay Rohrer, public relations director of the Pennsylvania YFA, addressed the group, as did State Future Farmers of America president Glenn Weber.

OFFICERS NAMED

Elected for the coming year were: president, Robert Martin; vice president, Larry Weaver; secretary, John C. Campbell; treasurer, Eugene Eberly; member at large for a 3-year term, Mervin Weiler.

AWARDS PRESENTED

Plowing contest — 1, Marvin Zimmerman, 2, (tie) John Campbell and Ivan Yost, 3, Loren Zimmerman.

DHA Contest — 1, Andrew

Ephrata Starts Farm Electricity Course

A six-week course in Farm Electricity was started this week at Ephrata High School as part of the Young-Adult Farmer program, it was announced by agriculture instructor Charles Ackley.

Classes will be held every Tuesday night at 7:30 through March 28th, Ackley said.

This week's initial class dealt with "Circuits and Distribution of Electricity for Farm Use." Succeeding classes will cover Feb 28, Wire Splicing and Electrical Connectors; Mar 7, Electrical Wiring Skills for Farm Use; Mar 14, Selecting and Operating Electric Motors, Mar 21, Care and Maintenance of Electric Motors; Mar 28, Farmstead Wiring Layout and Emergency Power Generators.

The final session will be a barn meeting at Raymond Burkholder's "all-electric farm".

New Soil Testing Program To Be Initiated At PSU This Summer

Pennsylvania homeowners and farmers can take advantage of the electronic computer to determine their lime and fertilizer needs when Penn State University initiates its soil testing program this summer.

A new soils laboratory, now in final stages of construction, will house ultra-modern equipment that will allow special-

ists to probe more deeply into the foundation of the soil sciences, according to W. Wayne Hinrich, associate professor of agronomy extension.

"Our new soil testing laboratory," Hinrich pointed out, "will be, in a manner of speaking, plugged into the computer center on campus. When the system becomes operational, it

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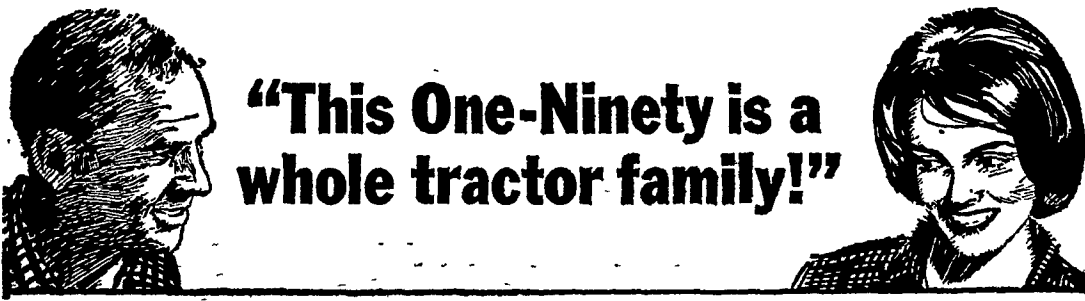
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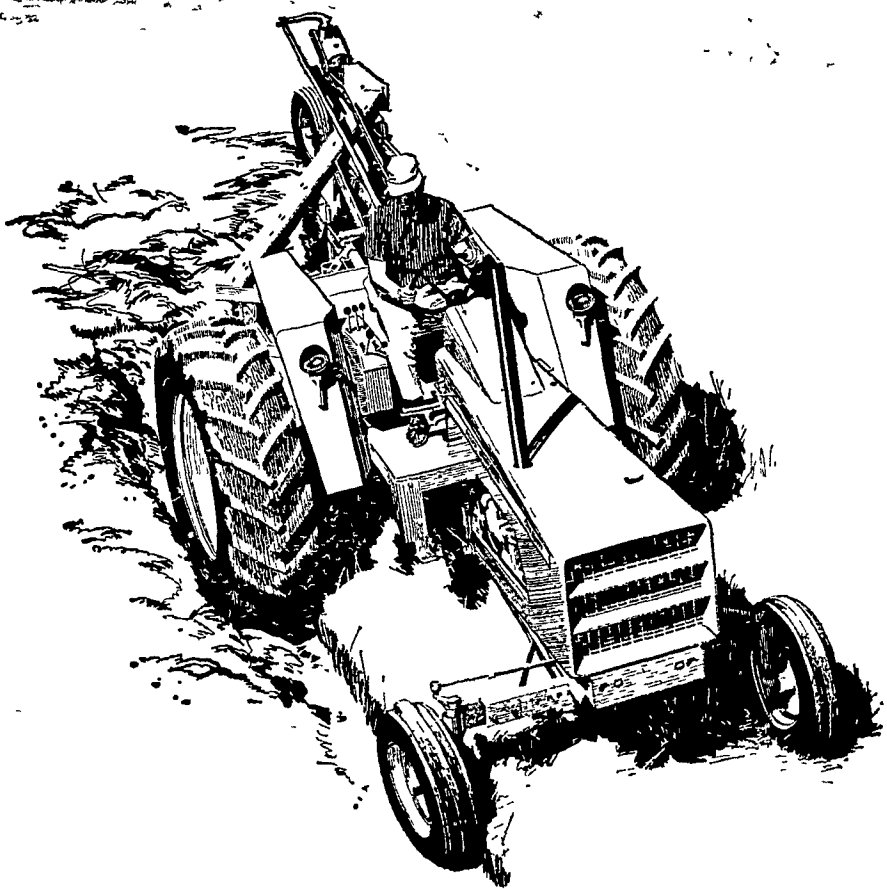
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