



John T. Smith

York County Agent To Receive Service Award

John T. Smith, York County agricultural agent, is among 111 agents in the United States who received Distinguished Service Awards this week at the annual meeting of the National Association of County Agricultural Agents in Louisville, Kentucky.

According to Harold E. Stewart, Dauphin County agent, who is this year's state awards committee chairman, Smith was honored "for his outstanding educational contributions to Commonwealth agriculture."

Smith, a member of The Pennsylvania State University Cooperative Extension Service staff for 21 years, was cited for his outstanding programs in the areas of youth work, agricultural marketing, and community development.

Through his leadership, York County 4-H Club enrollment has more than doubled in the past five years and a strong leadership program has been developed. In January he received the Keystone Future Farmers of America Award for his service to county youth programs.

Smith conducted extensive agricultural improvement programs which have significantly increased crop and livestock production in York County. He has been a leader in developing basic natural resources which are of benefit to both rural and urban people.

A promoter of agribusiness programs, he works closely with all commodity organizations in improving marketing outlets

with emphasis on quality to producer groups.

In 1958 the award winner was presented a certificate of merit at the Northeastern Weed Control Conference for the best county weed control program in northeastern United States.

Active in community improvement projects, he serves on the board of directors of the York Area Chamber of Commerce, vice president of the York Chapter American Red Cross, and a member of the advisory committee for the Area Technical High School.

A native of Juniata County, Smith prepared for college at Juniata Joint High School at Mifflintown and earned his bachelor of science degree from Penn State in 1942, majoring in animal science.

Following service in the U.S. Navy during World War II, he was an instructor in the veterans' agricultural program in Ju-

niata County one year before being named to the Extension Service staff in July 1947. Before being promoted to his present position, he served as an assistant county agent in Snyder, Erie, Warren, and Crawford counties.

Smith is a member of the Pennsylvania and National Associations of County Agricultural Agents, and Epsilon Sigma Phi, national honorary Extension fraternity. He currently serves as president of the Pennsylvania county agents organization.

Guard Livestock

When sudan grass or sorghum is frosted deadly acids are formed, warns Dr. Samuel B. Guss, extension veterinarian at Penn State. Livestock producers should keep livestock away from fields of frosted forage, because a few mouthfuls of it can kill such animals. If poisoning occurs, early treatment is necessary.

Frey Holsteins Have Production Credits

A report of milk production levels attained by dairy cows in the area has been received from Holstein-Friesian Association of America. The actual food production output, under official DHIR testing rules, by these local Registered Holsteins is:

Fultonway Ivanhoe Monica, a four-year-old, produced 23,910 lbs. of milk and 838 lbs. of butterfat in 305 days. Fultonway Crisscross Regina, a two-year-old, had 15,820 lbs. of milk and 784 lbs. of butterfat in 305 days. Both are owned by J. Mowery Frey & Son, Lancaster.

These new production figures may be compared to the estimat-

ed annual output of 8,513 lbs. (3,959 quarts) of milk and 315 lbs. of butterfat by the average U.S. dairy cow, notes the National Holstein Association.

Pennsylvania State University supervised the sampling, weighing and testing operations in cooperation with the Holstein Association through breed improvement programs.

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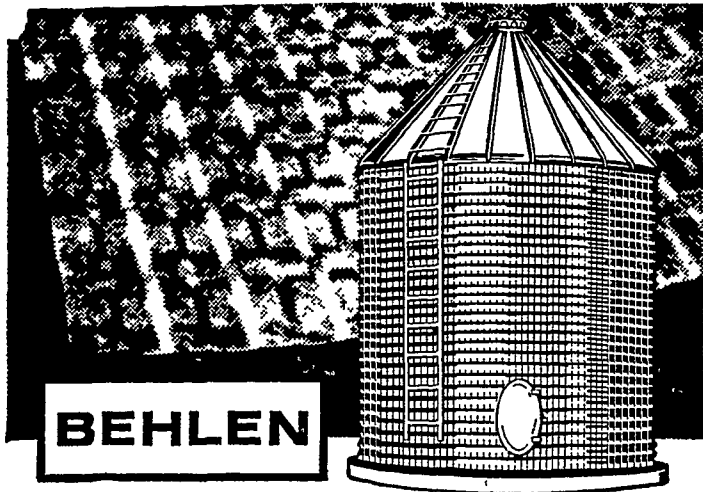
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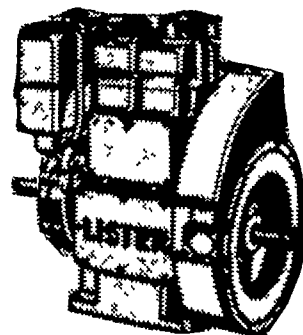
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