

Kelly Named Exposition & Dairy Manager

Thomas W. Kelly, a native of Washington County, has been named manager of the Pennsylvania Livestock Exposition and the Pennsylvania All-American Dairy Show, two major international events held annually in the Farm Show Building, Harold R. McCulloch, of State College, secretary to the Farm Show Commission, previously managed the two shows on a part-time basis.

The appointment of Kelly was announced by State Secretary of Agriculture Leland H. Bull, chairman of the Farm Show Commission, who said that the new manager occupies a full-time position by assuming additional duties of assisting the Farm Show director with the many year-round activities in the Farm Show complex.

Kelly was reared on a dairy farm at Eightyfour and was active in 4-H and Future Farmer of America projects during his school years. He graduated from the Pennsylvania State University in 1958 having majored in agricultural education. That same year he spent five months in France with the IFYE (International Farm Youth Exchange). Since that time he has occupied positions utilizing both his educational and farm background.

Prior to his present appointment, he had been a fieldman since 1967 for the Holstein-Friesian Assn. of America, Brattleboro, Vt., with the assigned territory of the New England States and New Jersey. His previous positions included



Thomas Kelly

assistant agricultural agent, Blair County, 1959-1962; fieldman, Pennsylvania Holstein Assn., 1962-1965; and state manager, Curtis Breeding Services, Inc., 1965-1967.

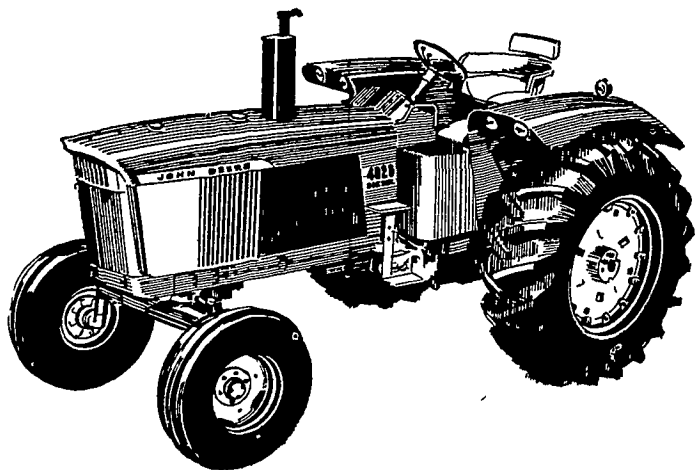
Kelly is moving to 33 Oakwood Ave., Mechanicsburg, from West Springfield, Mass. He is married to the former Margaret Morrow, of Tyrone, and they have a son and a daughter.

Red Coloring Not Harmful

Some of the new crop red skin potatoes have had extra red food coloring applied to enhance their appearance, but the dye may dissolve in the cooking water. This represents no danger to consumers because, like any other added food coloring, this red dye has been cleared by the Federal Food and Drug Administration, says Harold E. Neigh, Penn State extension consumer economics specialist.

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American Agriculture Could Feed 600 Million

American agriculture could be stretched to feed nearly 600 million people, the president of the American Meat Institute said during Livestock Day at The Pennsylvania State University.

Dr. Herrell DeGraff said beef cattle yields alone nearly double within the last 20 years from the same number of breeding cows the nation had right after World War II. From an average yield of 60 pounds of beef per person 20 years ago, the beef industry now produce an average of 108 pounds per person. While cow numbers are the same—50 million—tremendous improvements have been achieved in feeding, breeding, and management to provide more meat.

From the standpoint of grain with 200 million people could

feed over 400 million people in terms of calory output, he stated

Looking ahead, Dr. DeGraff said the per capita demand for beef will reach about 130 pounds per person in the United States by the year 1980. At that time the nation will need another one million breeding cows per year to produce enough beef for the country's demands, he predicted.

Livestock dominate the nation's agricultural system, he noted. While 13 per cent of the land is used for direct food crops, 83 per cent is used for livestock production. Another four per cent of the land produces industrial crops such as fiber, tobacco, and certain oils.

He foresaw for swine producers much of the potential that developed the poultry broiler and turkey business. And

he called for improved levels of animal health and more "break-throughs" in genetics. And he expressed no doubt that the animal industry can stay ahead of developments in plant protein foods.

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