

Wheat Allotment For Lancaster County Down About 6,000 Acres

The 1970 wheat allotment for Lancaster County is 43,526.0 acres, according to Fred G. Seldomridge, Chairman of the Lancaster County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee.

Individual farm allotments will be mailed September 3rd, he said. The ASCS county office staff is working full time preparing and checking the allotment notices. The County

ASC Committee is doing everything it can to speed the process, including meeting as often as needed to set allotments.

"All wheat allotment notices will be mailed at one time. It is expected they will be mailed to producers within the next two weeks." The ASC County Committee Chairman said.

The 1970 national wheat allotment of 455 million acres was

announced by Secretary of Agriculture Clifford M. Hardin on August 11. This is a 12 percent reduction from the 1969 national allotment of 51.6 million acres.

The State wheat allotment for 1970 is 470,186 acres. In 1969 it was 534,144 acres. The 1970 county wheat allotment of 43,526.0 acres compares with 49,493.0 acres allotted in the county for 1969.

"The 1970 wheat program is expected to help give the nation a better position in world trade while at the same time it tries to bring wheat production more into line with needs," said the ASC Chairman.

Features of the 1970 wheat program according to Chairman Seldomridge include

1 The national average price support loan level will be \$1.25 per bushel, unchanged from recent years. This level is being maintained in an effort to achieve maximum utilization of wheat through increased exports and continued large livestock feed use.

2 A diversion program at the maximum payment rate of 50 percent of county loan rates is aimed at avoiding production of 80 to 90 million bushels of unneeded wheat. This feature will allow producers to tailor their plantings by diverting up to one-half of their acreage allotments while maintaining incomes through diversion payments.

3 The national wheat acreage allotment of 455 million acres is designed to reduce stocks and reverse the three-year upward trend in carryover levels. This is a 12 percent reduction from the 1969 national allotment of 516 million acres.

4 Wheat marketing certificates will be paid on 48 percent of the projected production of

the allotted acres of participating producers. For 1969, certificates difference between wheat parity at a record \$1.52 per bushel on July 1, 1970, and the average being paid on 43 percent of loan rate announced today will projected production. They are to be as high or higher for the 1970 adding more than \$800 million to the farm value of wheat Pay-

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Local Case Dealer returns from Intro 70 Program — James E. B. Zeger, President of Kinzer Equipment Co., Kinzer, has just returned from Milwaukee, Wis., where he attended the J. I. Case Co. Intro 70 Program along with 1400 other major Case dealers from all over the world. Zeger is shown above at Milwaukee with one of the new tractors. At this meeting Case laid out their plans for the decade of the 70's.

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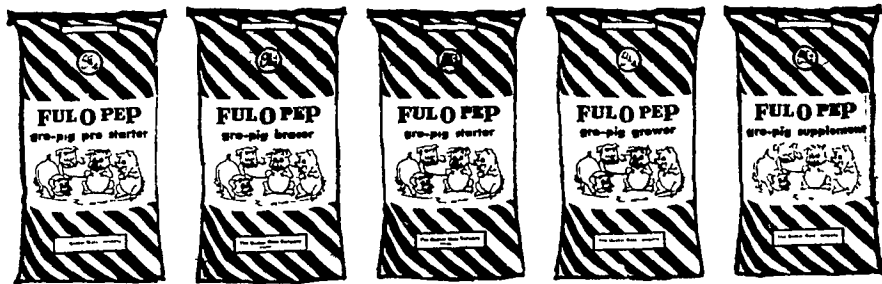
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