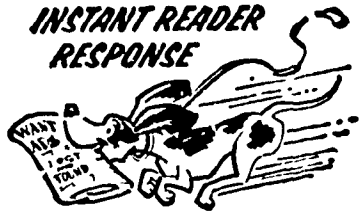


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**Conservation District Ok's Subdivision Memo**

The Lancaster County Soil and Water Conservation District officially approved a memorandum at its meeting this week tightening controls on the soil and water aspects of county subdivision approvals.

The memorandum, actually initiated by the district, was previously approved by the Lancaster County Planning Commission.

As explained at the meeting, the memo is an informal agreement between the conservation district and the planning commission in which the district reviews new subdivision plans in the county to evaluate soil and water portions of the subdivision plans.

Oival Bass of the district office said it's hoped that eventually developers will stop at the conservation office before submitting their subdivision plans. This would enable the developer to plan for and avoid soil and water problems early in his planning, Bass said.

**20 Acres To Get Trees In County This Year**

Some 3,600 acres of private land in Lancaster County "should be planted to trees," but the state has received orders for only 20 acres so far this year, according to Bob Schweitzer, service forester for Lancaster and Berks Counties.

The deadline for the trees is March 15, Schweitzer reminded property owners at a meeting this week of the Lancaster County Soil and Water Conservation District.

Schweitzer said the 3,600 acre figure was derived from a U.S. Forest Service report on timber resources in Pennsylvania.

**Swine Producers Banquet March 20**



The annual Lancaster County Swine Producer's Association banquet will be held at Blue Ball Fire Hall at 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 20.

Robert Martin, association president, said tickets are still available for the affair. He is shown discussing ticket sales with James Horton, (left), association secretary and treasurer, in charge of ticket sales.

The association's carcass show is slated for March 10 at the Lancaster Stockyards. Anyone interested in submitting a hog should contact Horton for an entry blank.

**Alfalfa Weevil On Decline Here**

The alfalfa weevil appears to be on the way out in Pennsylvania, according to the Cooperative Extension Service, which reports that damage caused by this pest was way down in 1969.

A decline in damage began four years ago, but this past year, the damage was so low in most fields that spray protection was not necessary, the service reports.

There is no way to determine just what the damage from the weevil will be in 1970, but the service predicts that weevil populations will be low enough to keep damage levels low, perhaps even lower than in 1969.



**Central Tractor**  
By Dudley Rohrer

The previous meeting of the Central Tractor Meeting was held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Landis Bros., Lancaster.

Demonstrations were given by Darwin and Bernard Nissley on how quickly and easily tractor accidents can occur. Don Landis also spoke to the group about pistons.

At the group's next meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 10 at Landis Brothers, The 4-H Tractor Books will be collected.

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