

Local Farmers See Progress Show

Some 87 persons, mostly farmers from Central Pennsylvania, went to the Farm Progress Show this week in the Midwest as part of the annual Harvestore promotion.

The two-day trip began early Tuesday morning at Olmsted Airport, Middletown, and concluded late Thursday at the same place—after a fast flight by jet to and from Indiana.

On Wednesday, the group stopped at two Indiana farms which center their operations around the big, blue Harvestores. The Mr. and Mrs. Oakel Fuller farm at Brookston, Ind., is a beef operation, and the Mr. and Mrs. Debra Hunter farm at Rochester, Ind., is a dairy operation.

That evening, the group toured the Culver Military Academy at Culver, Ind., described as the Valley Forge Military Academy of the Midwest. The academy provides training and schooling for grades 8 through 12; it was reported.

On Wednesday evening the group heard Dr. Robert Suter, professor of farm management and finance at Purdue University and author of "The Courage to Change," speak on the qualities which make a successful farm manager.

Guy Wilson, a trustee of Pur-



Boarding the Purdue Airlines DC-9 for the charter flight home are the following: Harlan Keener, Willow Street; Howard Anderson, president of Penn Jersey Harvestore, New Holland; Wilmer Martin, East Earl;

D. Martin Zimmerman, East Earl RD1; Amos Breneman, Columbia RD2, and Richard Enck, of Penn Jersey. Air time from Indiana to Olmsted was about one hour and five minutes.

due and a well-known beef producer in the area, also was introduced. He was quite concerned about the corn situation. Not only has corn in Indiana been hit hard by the Southern Leaf Blight, he said, but also by drought. He projected the corn crop losses in the country would be much greater than the six per cent reported recently by the USDA.

But a farmer from Michigan reported next day that corn in his area is excellent and there should be record yields, indicating the corn situation varies widely from area to area.

After staying overnight on the beautiful Culver Academy campus, it was on to Rolling Prairie, Ind., early Wednesday for the giant Farm Progress Show.

The Show rotates each year between Indiana, Illinois and Iowa. It will be in Iowa next year.

The show was staged on about 1,000 acres of relatively flat farmland. It consisted of a large display and show area by the major farm supply firms, as well as test plots of farm products, particularly corn, and actual demonstrations with farm machinery.

Huge corn fields were harvest-



Dozens of firms which are well-known names to farmers in Southeastern Pennsylvania had large displays at the Farm Progress Show in Indiana this week. One of the largest displays was this one by New

Holland. Thousands of persons from several states jammed the area to visit the displays and see some of the machinery in operation.

ed by the latest machinery, then the ground was disced and plowed, so that interested farmers could see the machinery of various companies in actual operation.

Several companies showed tractors with four-wheel drive. These tractors appeared to be quite popular with spectators.

Much of the machinery being demonstrated, however, appeared to be too large for use on most of the much smaller farms in Central Pennsylvania. The type and scale of farming differs greatly in the two areas.

Hosts for the trip were Penn Jersey Harvestore, New Holland, headed by Howard Anderson, president, and Pennsylvania Harvestore, York.

Anderson explained that the purpose of the trip was to help introduce and familiarize farmers with the firm's concept of high moisture corn and haylage.

Among those making the trip were Harlan Keener, Larry Lausch, Amos Breneman, Dick Enck, Bob McLean, Charles Enloe, Frank Possessky, Wilmer Martin, Henry Stauffer, and D. Martin Zimmerman, Howard Anderson and Zane Wilson, Lancaster County, Pa. and Mrs. Harry Matter, Norman Reist, Lester Smith, Pa. and Mrs. Clayton Fortna, Lebanon County, Pa. and Mrs. Charles Simmons and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fisher, Montgomery County, Pa. and Mrs. Allen Shade, Dauphin County. Earl Hoover and Ike Rissler, York County.



Some of the Central Pennsylvania delegation talks with Oakel Fuller (second from right), Brookston, Ind., about his beef operation.



Dr. Robert Suter speaking to local group.



These big blue silos were focal point of the Harvestore display at the Farm Progress Show. In the foreground is the display of farm machinery by New Idea.

Egg Packers Meet

The Egg Packaging Association held its annual meeting at Chicago's O'Hare Airport recently.

Business included discussion of many topics of great potential value to the egg industry including egg merchandising information for retailers and egg producers.

Hamilton Allport Jr., EPA's immediate past President reported that "thousands of egg merchandising reprints of the Purdue egg case study have now been distributed to a wide variety of retailers and egg marketers."

"It's past time we get professional in egg marketing techniques," continued Allport.

It was agreed by the members

that EPA could and should lead the way toward better merchandising information for the benefit of the whole industry. Daily contact with both retailers and egg packers presents a unique opportunity for EPA members to lead this effort.

Officers of EPA for fiscal 1971 include Al Eisenberg, E. Eisenberg and Company, President; Hank Mayhew, Dolco Packaging, Inc., Vice President; Jack Loftus, Keyes Fibre Company, Secretary; Treasurer Harold Hanselman, Michigan Carton Company; Don Hutchings, Packaging Corp. of America; and Gene Macchi, Continental Packaging Corporation, complete the directorate.