

Program Announced For 1973 Dairy Day

Lancaster County Dairy Day is scheduled for Tuesday, March 6, at the Farm and Home Center. It will last from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. They day's program follows:

- 9:00 a.m. - Inspection of Dairy Day Exhibits.
- 9:30 a.m. - Dairy Breeding Film—"The Right Time".
- 10:00 a.m. - "Dairy Herd Management 1973"; Donald

L. Ace, Dairy Extension, Penn State.

10:30 a.m. - "Milk Marketing—Base and Outlook", William F. Johnstone, Agricultural Economics Extension, Penn State.

11:00 a.m. - Panel Discussion: "Herd Management for High Production"; John S. Yost—High County Holstein Herd, Raymond Witmer—High

County Guernsey Herd, J. Rohrer Witmer—High County Brown Swiss Herd, Masonic Homes Farm—High County Ayrshire Herd, Moderator: Donald L. Ace, Dairy Extension, Penn State.

12:00 noon - Lunch

1:30 p.m. - "Keep the Quality in Milk", Sidney E. Barnard, Dairy Extension, Penn State.

2:00 p.m. - "Milk Promotion in Order No. 4", speaker to be announced.

2:20 p.m. - "Current Problems in Dairy Cattle Health", Dr. Samuel Guss, Extension Veterinarian, Penn State.

3:00 p.m. - Discussion and Adjournment

Official Foresees Agriculture Of Family and Large-Scale Farms

Dr. Don Paarlberg, director of agricultural economics for the U.S. Department of Agriculture, said the trend toward industrialized farms will be gradual and selective - never total.

Speaking before the 1973 National Agricultural Outlook Conference, Dr Paarlberg said he anticipates an agriculture of both family farms and largescale units for the decade ahead.

Dr Paarlberg states that, "the family farm is a very tough competitor, and a very durable institution". On about 95 percent of United States' farms, the operator and his family supply the majority of the labor and are responsible for two-thirds of the Nation's farm production. He said that the family farm is not a

high cost method of agricultural production. "If we stay with the family farm and improve its efficiency, the percentage of income spent for food will go lower" . . . than the current 16 percent.

Dr Paarlberg outlined several conditions that must exist for the family farm to continue as an organizational structure. It must be permitted the operational flexibility that will allow efficient use of modern technology and management; farmers will need good research, education, and credit, adoption of sound business principles associated with cooperatives; and access to markets. His final condition was that farms retain the good will of the public.

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Royster Plant Starts Production

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Occupying a 15-acre site in Lancaster County's East Hempfield Township, the 50,000 square foot plant will produce both bulk and bagged fertilizer, with a load-out capacity of 1,000 tons a day.

Carroll Kirby, Royster District Manager, said the plant has undergone test runs during the last week. "It is producing beautifully and we are ready to start filling a waiting list of orders," he said.

Engineered with environmental considerations in mind, the new plant incorporates special features to all but eliminate noise and dust.

The Lancaster plant will supply Royster dealers

throughout Pennsylvania, New York and northern West Virginia, in addition to servicing local farmers directly. It will ship bagged fertilizer products to other regions.

The Royster Company, headquartered in Norfolk, Va.,

distributes its products throughout 23 eastern states. In addition to fertilizers, Royster markets agricultural chemicals—fungicides, herbicides, and insecticides—as well as corn and sorghum seed.

1st 1973 Wheat Report Issued

Signups for participation in the 1973 wheat program total 111,065 farms, including 1,971 in Pennsylvania according to the first enrollment report issued by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. This report covers the first 10 days of the Feb. 5 through March 16 signup.

Farms reported as signed up for the 1973 program through Feb. 16 have 1,917,394 acres in wheat allotments, or 10 percent of the 18.7 million acre national domestic allotment. The national

domestic allotment is based on the number of acres that, on the basis of the estimated national yield, will result in wheat marketing certificates being issued to participating farmers in an amount equivalent to estimated domestic food use.

Participants in the 1973 wheat program are not required to set-aside land. However, those who elect to set aside acreage voluntarily for additional payment must set aside an amount equal to 86 percent of their allotments in addition to the voluntary acreage (up to 150 percent of the allotment). During the first 10 days of the 1973 signup 97,651 farms have signed up with no set-aside and 13,414 farms have elected to set-aside 502,842 acres. Payment rates for the voluntary added set-aside will be 88 cents per bushel times the farm's established yield times the acreages voluntarily set aside.

Data in today's report for this first 10 days of signup activity reflects information supplied by 1,996 counties. There were 2,247 counties reporting during the first 11 days of the 1972 signup at which time 227,910 farms had enrolled with 4,178,000 allotment acres and 4,373,000 acres of set-aside.

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