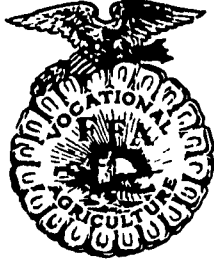


From Local Ag Teachers:



Thoughts in Passing



This is the second in a series of articles to introduce you to the newest teachers of vocational agriculture in the county.

As the agriculture department at Ephrata High School kept growing, so did the need for an additional teacher Ernest Orr

came to Lancaster County in July to fill that need.

Mr. Orr is teaching ninth grade vocational agriculture and numerous nine-week elective courses such as horse management, soil and water conservation, landscaping, and small gas engines. The course in small gas engines being taught by Orr is in addition to four nine-week electives in small gas engines already being taught by vo ag instructor Lew Ayers.

A New Englander, Orr was raised on a 12 acre farm in Rehoboth, Mass., where the family enterprise was primarily poultry. The eggs from the approximately 6,000 layers were sold through a door-to-door egg route, often an after-school chore. Vegetables were also raised on a small scale.

In 1968 Orr received a BS degree in agriculture science from the University of Rhode Island in Kingston. He taught basic science and earth science in



Ernest Orr

a Bristol, R.I. high school for a short time prior to completing his Masters work in animal science at the University of New Hampshire. He served as a graduate assistant while at the University.

Orr came to Pennsylvania in

June of 1970 when he began working with the Penn State Extension service as an assistant county agent in Northumberland County. Fifty percent of his time was spent working with poultry in a four county area including Snyder, Union, Montour and Northumberland counties. The remaining 50 percent of his time was spent working with 4-H clubs in Northumberland County.

Southington, Conn. for two years prior to accepting the position in the Agriculture department at Ephrata.

Mrs. Orr is a native Lancaster countian, the former Anne Diefenderfer from New Danville. The Orr's met while students at the University of New Hampshire. She has a teaching degree but is not teaching at present. They are residing in Mountville.

Hobbies beyond the teaching day include camping, swimming, photography and square dancing.

Returning to New England, he taught vocational agriculture in

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Meeting November 18-21 at the Penn Harris Motor Inn, Camp Hill.

PFA is a general farm organization with more than 17,200 family members in the Keystone State, and it is affiliated with the American Farm Bureau Federation. PFA has 52 local associations throughout the state.

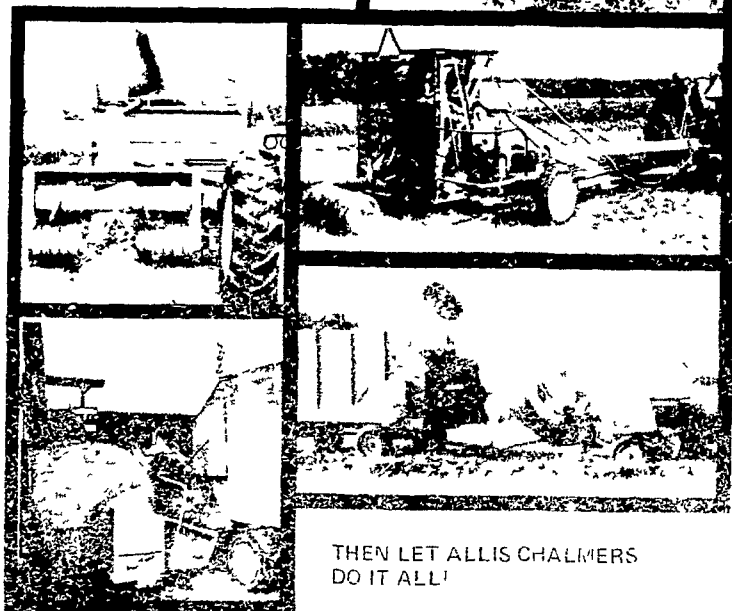
Each county farmers' association has a representative on the committee, which is chaired by Eugene Thompson of Indiana and vice president of the state association.

Area members on the committee are: Ivan Yost, Christiana, Clarence Forney, Jr., Lebanon, Paul McPherson, New Park, Harold Burgert, Fleetwood, and S. Horace Mowrer, Spring City.

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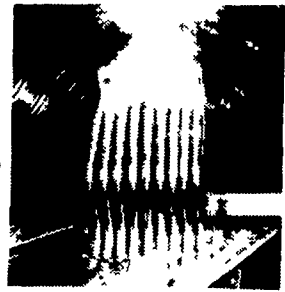
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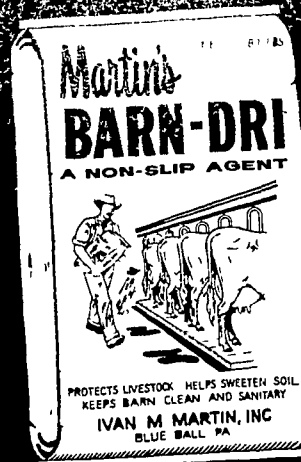
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