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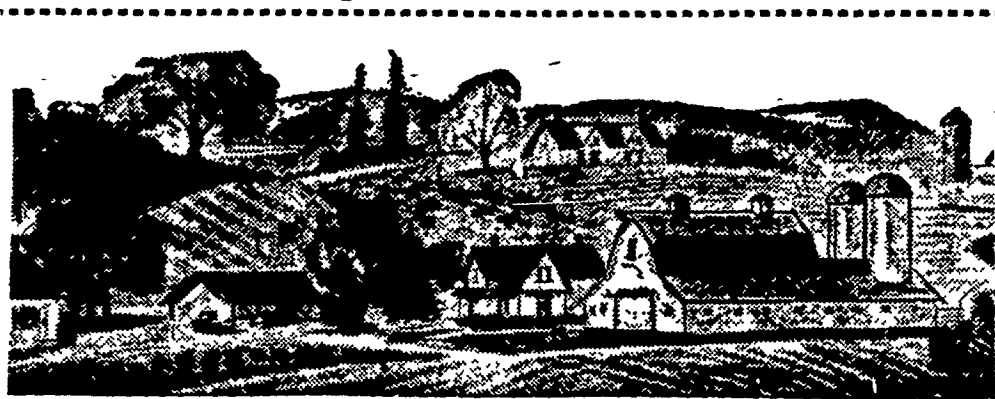
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**ED ESHLEMAN'S  
WASHINGTON REPORT**

Land use is an important subject in our area. In recent years we have seen much of our prime farm land become housing tracts, tourist facilities, commercial developments and industrial parks.

That growth, while welcome from a purely economic standpoint, has caused headaches for those who continue to hold onto their farms, because the development has raised land values, meaning far higher taxes for farm families.

The solution to the problem is clear. While encouraging continued growth of the non-farm economy, we must not continue to let it grow at the expense of the farm economy. The two can live together with proper planning — or, in other words, land use policies.

The question then becomes where those policies should be established. It is my firm belief that land use is something that can and should be left to local officials.

When it is individual property owners who are directly affected by land use planning, they should also have the opportunity to have as much input as possible into the formulating of the policies. Local government decision-making provides that opportunity, while planning by Federal officials

would likely allow only a minimum of individual participation.

For example, where would we fit into a national land use plan? We sit in the middle of the Boston-Washington super city that many urban planners predict for the not too distant future. Therefore, it might be logical to put the Pennsylvania's 16th District into the national plan as an urban-suburban area.

But that kind of policy would do nothing to preserve the farming tradition that is our principal land use question today. And, I am doubtful that the citizens of our relatively small area (when looked at as a part of the whole Nation) could individually or collectively have much clout in getting the national plan changed to better reflect our priorities.

That is why land use planning is better left completely in local hands where traditions and priorities can be better appreciated and where the whole concept of personal property is treated as something of local importance. When legislation

**Consumers' Corner**

**New Look For Food Labels**  
There's a new look on many food labels. And the reason for the new labels is to improve the information and to make it more meaningful to the consumer.

Nutrition labeling is voluntary on most foods. However, if a nutrient is added to any product, or if a nutritional claim is made on the label or in an advertisement, then full nutritional labeling is required.

The new label must follow a standard format and will appear at the right of the main label or name of the food. The information will include the number of calories, amount of protein, carbohydrate and fat.

A listing of seven important minerals and vitamins will also be listed as percentages of the U.S. Recommended Daily Allowance (RDA). These new allowances replace the outmoded minimum Daily Requirements and are the amounts needed by most persons.

Manufacturers have until December 31, 1974 to be in full compliance with these regulations. Since what you see on the label is what you are paying for, it is the responsibility of the consumer to read labels and make purchases based upon this information.

came to the floor of the House recently to give the Federal Government a "foot-in-the-door" toward national land use planning, I opposed that bill and we licked the legislation 211 to 204. I firmly believe I voted

the right way.

There is a need and a place for a positive program of preserving our land for future generations. But the need is local and the place for solving our problems is not in Washington.

**Armyworm Alert**

Chester County Extension Service warns that Armyworms are now cutting off the heads of down barley and are feeding on the leaves of corn, especially no-till corn.

Their presence is also signaled by dark droppings in the whorl of the corn stalk and sometimes by the presence of a greater than average number of black birds flying over infested fields, feeding on the worms. The worms are not readily

seen during the heat of the day; they seek shade under trash and clumps of soil.

Army worms can be very devastating. When their present food supply becomes scarce or undesirable they may migrate quickly to other adjacent fields.

Some of the preparations such as toaphene and methyl parathion used to spray for Armyworms are very toxic to man and if used, must be handled with extreme care.

**Zimmerman Promoted  
To Flock Supervisor**

Eugene Zimmerman, Orchard Rd., Route 1, Reinholds, has been promoted to the position of Flock Supervisor in the Broiler Growing Division of Victor F. Weaver, Inc., New Holland.

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