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Inter-State Local Holds Meeting

Close to 300 members and guests turned out for the annual meeting in Mount Joy on Thursday of District 7, Inter-State Milk Producers Cooperative. At the meeting, they heard from a number of speakers and elected officers for the coming year in each of the five locals within the district.

Daniel Martin, Inter-State's vice-president and a dairyman from Manheim, told the group about the work their cooperative was doing on their behalf. He enumerated the steps leading up to the decision last month by Secretary of Agriculture Earl Butz to boost milk price supports to 80-percent of parity.

Martin said that Inter-State had led the battle to get higher prices. He reminded the group that their co-op had organized the peaceful march on Washington in November. He said that while the march didn't result directly in a price boost, he was confident that it was an important factor behind the decision to finally raise the support price.

Martin also noted that Inter-State members were presently receiving cost of production adjustments over Federal Order 4 prices, and that these payments were secured from the co-op's 21 dairy customers by monthly negotiations. He said these kinds of activities needed and deserved the support of the membership.

Boyd Gartley, the co-op's director of member and public relations, also told the members about some of the things the staff has been doing to secure better milk prices for farmers.

Other speakers were Earl Stauffer, Ephrata, who gave a delegate's report on the annual Inter-State meeting in Philadelphia, and Andrew Marvin, Ephrata, the District 7 fieldman.

In his speech, Daniel Martin announced that the annual Inter-State meeting this year would be held on Nov. 25-26 at the Host Farm in Lancaster.

Honored during the meeting were Mr. and Mrs. Elvin T. Harnish, Willow Street R1, who have been members of Inter-State for a quarter of a century.

Elections for new officers and directors from the five locals were held during the meeting. The results, by local, were:

Lebanon County Local
 President, John R. Moyer, Newmanstown; vice-president, Krall Hostetter, Lebanon R1; secretary-treasurer, John H. Hartman, Schaefferstown; delegate, A. Ralph McCrone, Newmanstown R1; alternate delegate, Arthur E. Brandt, Hershey R1; hauling committee, J. Melvin Brandt, Hershey R1.

Millersville Local
 President, Nelson R. Habecker, Lancaster R1; vice-president, Melvin M. Groff, Lancaster R6; secretary-treasurer, Kenneth L. Shertzer, Conestoga R1; delegates, David E. Hess and J. David Shank; alternate delegates, Nelson H. Hershey, Lancaster R6, and Glenn E. Burkholder, Columbia; hauling com-

mittee, John H. Thomas, Jr., and J. Douglas Martin.

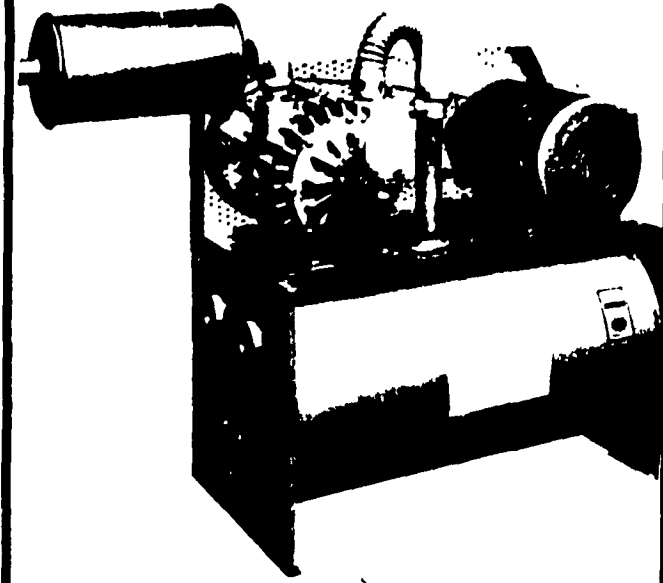
West Lampeter Local
 President, Henry B. Leaman, Lancaster; vice-president, James D. Shertzer, Lancaster; secretary-treasurer, Jacob R. Houser, Jr., Lampeter R1; delegates, Arthur L. Breneman, and Harlan N. Keener; alternate delegates, John M. Harnish, Lancaster R2, and J. Wade Groff, Lancaster.

Donegal Local
 President, Donald L. Hershey, Manheim R2; vice-president, Kenneth E. Zurin; secretary-treasurer, Paul Sauder, Silver Spring; delegates, Lester Hawthorne, Elizabethtown, James F. Brubaker, Mt. Joy R1, Daniel S. Stoltzfus, Mt. Joy R1, Arthur D. Wenger; alternate delegates, J. Richard Garber, Elizabethtown R1, Paul E. Garber, Mt. Joy R1, John M. Gingrich, Mt. Joy R2, Roy Sauder, Mt. Joy R2; hauling committee, Jacob M. Conley, Mt. Joy R1, John W. Brubaker, Manheim R2.

Lititz Local
 President, Ray P. Bollinger, Stevens R1; vice-president, Marvin R. Sauder, Ephrata R3; secretary-treasurer, Nelson E. Martin, Ephrata R1; delegates, Galen W. Crouse, Stevens R1, Earl C. Stauffer, Ephrata R1; alternate delegates, Noah Kreider, Jr., Manheim R7, James N. Zimmerman, Ephrata R3; hauling committee, Ray P. Bollinger, Stevens R1.

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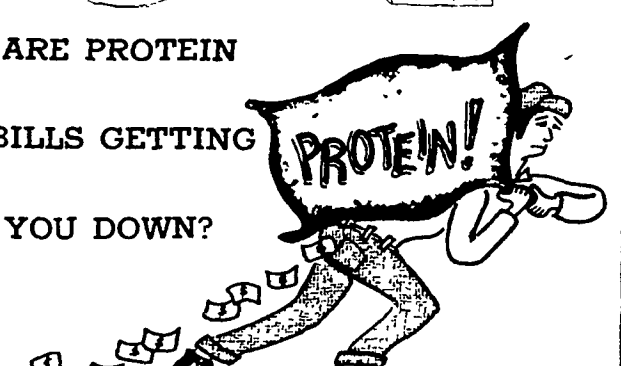


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