

Red and White

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White producer, Kenneth Myer is well known in Lancaster County for his work as president of the Elizabethtown Young Farmers and president of the Jaycees. Myer is also a director of the Elizabethtown Chamber of Commerce and the area Blood Bank.

Along with managing his herd, Myer has served as president of the Pa. Red and White Dairy Cattle Association since its inception four years ago. Vice-president and another large producer in Pa. is Karl Herr

of Kirkwood with Glenda Trux of western Pa. as secretary-treasurer.

The Pa. Association held their first annual Penn National sale this past March in Harrisburg. Although bad weather hampered many from attending, the sale was quite successful. The sale was co-managed by Kenneth Myer and Merv Scott, field representative for the Red and White Association.

The National Red and White Dairy Association is located in Elgin, Illinois with J. P. Ostranger as president. The association publishes a

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farmers face is inflation. No group in our society is hurt more by inflation than farmers.

"They sell on a roller coaster market. Their prices go up and down. But their costs only go up. And once those costs go up, they stay up."

Striking out at the critics who say USDA has no food policy, Butz, said, "We do have a food policy, the most positive food policy we've had in 40 years. It's based on maximum utilization of the American potential to produce food. We can only carry out food policy like that by giving farmers maximum freedom to produce for an open market."

Food as a source of foreign exchange and a tool of diplomacy were two other subjects Butz touched on. He noted that the American food producing regions could not be matched for size and productivity by any other part of the world. Butz said farm exports last year reached \$21.3 billion, the highest in history and were the number one source of foreign exchange. "If we are smart enough to take advantage of our strength in food, we can use it as a positive factor in diplomacy, and in building world peace."

monthly newsletter for Red and White producers called the "Red Bloodlines." John Carpenter, Crystal Springs, Pa., is editor of the publication.

For further information on the breed, John Carpenter can be contacted at Crystal Springs, Pa. or interested people can write to the National Headquarters Box 771, Elgin, Illinois.

But we don't need legislation like the farm bill that will inhibit our ability to use that production capacity to the fullest," Butz concluded.


On Monday night, Tom Foley, chairman of the House Agricultural Committee, talked to the farm editors. He told them he thinks the farm bill is a good one, and he'd like to see it pass, but he doesn't think it will. "If we do get a veto," he said, "we will go back to trying to update the 1973 farm bill. No matter what, I think we'll see an omnibus farm bill coming up for consideration, probably this fall."

In his speech, Foley talked about the new look in Congress and a new stature for members of the House Ag committee. Foley is a 46-year-old Democrat from Washington who replaced Walter Poage this year as chairman of the committee. He said more Congressmen than ever asked for seats on the agriculture committee this year. While most of the members still come from predominantly rural areas, there are four consumer spokesmen serving this year. "I like having that kind of diversity on my committee," Foley said. "I don't really feel that consumer and farmer interests are that much different."

Two freshmen Congressmen who sit on Foley's committee also talked to the farm editors during their stay in Washington. W. Henson Moore, a Louisiana Republican who represents one urban and five rural counties in the Baton Rouge area, told the writers he thinks the president will veto the bill. But Moore hopes the veto message will do much to save the wounds of farmers who may suffer without government price supports to cover their losses. "We've asked the president to tell

farmers he would not ask for any export controls as long as he is in office. We've asked him to tell farmers that the government will throw its support behind farmers wherever it can, and we've asked him to raise some loan rates at the same time he vetoes the farm bill. Frederick W. Richmond, a Democrat from Brooklyn,

N.Y., is another freshman member of the House ag committee. He told the farm writers that food prices in New York City were much too high, but that prices in general could be brought down if the criminal elements in that city were removed from the food marketing chain.



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