

Blue Mountain Young Farmers Slate Activities

The Blue Mountain Young Farmers Association, Schuylkill Haven, have announced their plans for the summer and fall activities. The 1974-75 winter and spring activities have included 35 educational classes and six social events.

The summer activities will begin with a covered dish and ice cream social to be held June 1 at 12:30 p.m. in Zion's Red Church Grove,

Rt. 61 Orwigsburg. Committee members included Chairman, Eugene Kock, Paul Snyder, Richard Kreager and Charles Felty. The July Activity is to attend the Pa. Young Farmers Farm Tour and Picnic in the Shippensburg area on July 18-19.

The Blue Mountain Chapter tour will include farm visits in the Fleetwood area—also a tour through the

mushroom industry, Browns flour mill, a cookie bakery and the Red Cheek co-op. The tour will be held on August 21.

September 6 will mark the annual corn roast, square dance and auction which will be held at the vo-ag classroom of the Blue Mountain High School. The auction of fresh produce and home preserved products is a money raising event.

Educational classes for the summer will include twilight meetings to view and study the results of farm demonstrations. Meetings will be called as results can be studied.

Officers of the Blue Mountain chapter are Jerry Moyer - president; Clarence Paul - vice president; Charles Felty, secretary; Amos Moyer - treasurer; Elwood Staudt, advisor and the advisory board of Gary Anderson, Larry Moyer and Clyde Derstine. Lemoyne Eckroth serves as publicity director.

Airville 4-H Club Meets

The Airville 4-H Community 4-H Club recently held their monthly meeting at Lower Changeford. The members held their rural life program on March 4 at the Salem United Methodist Church. The club recently held a trash collection to clean the neighboring roads. Member, Mark Ebaugh was who has been hospitalized was sent a gift.

The photography club was in charge of the program with the leader Mr. H. Miller presenting a slide show. Barry Brown gave a demonstration on how to take pictures of people. Brian Warner gave a demonstration on Landscaping.

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Farm Exports Seen Food For Industry

U.S. farm exports contribute significantly to the national economy. For example, every \$1 that is returned to the farm sector from exports creates an additional \$1.33 of output in the rest of the economy - such as in transportation, financing and warehousing, or in supplying farmers with fertilizer, machinery, and other goods. Thus, the \$4.3 billion increase in U.S. agricultural exports in 1974 added another \$5.7 billion of income to the rest of the economy. Economists call this the "multiplier effect." It's like dropping a pebble in a pool. Increased output in one part of the economy sends a series of widening ripples throughout the rest of the economy, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

When you add it all up, farm exports generated about \$47 billion worth of income in 1974. Of this about \$20 billion came from the farming sector; the remaining \$27 billion came from nonagricultural industries. Food processing alone received nearly \$8 billion of income from agricultural exports. Income generated in transportation and warehousing amounted to \$2.7 billion; in wholesaling and retailing it amounted to about \$2.9 billion.

In 1974 more than 450,000 people had jobs assembling, processing, and distributing agricultural exports. Some examples: 120,000 people

had jobs in wholesale and retail trades, 42,000 in food processing; and 43,000 in transportation and warehousing.

As another example: about 2,000 people in the agricultural chemical industry have jobs supplying farmers with the chemicals to raise farm products for export.

Farmers are buying more products from industry as a result of increased agricultural exports. Farmers are buying more household appliances, farm equipment, building supplies, and other capital goods and consumer items. This increased buying by farmers as a result of farm exports spreads more purchasing power throughout the entire economy. Farmers spent 12 percent more on tractors in

1974 than in 1973, which made more jobs and bigger pay checks for workers who make steel, rubber, spark plugs, plastics, electronic gear, ball bearings, screw bolts, and a host of other products. This is just one example of what happens when farm exports boost farm income and the buying that farmers do.

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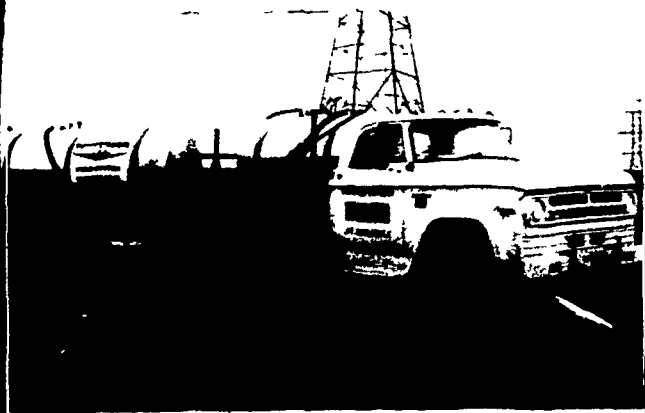
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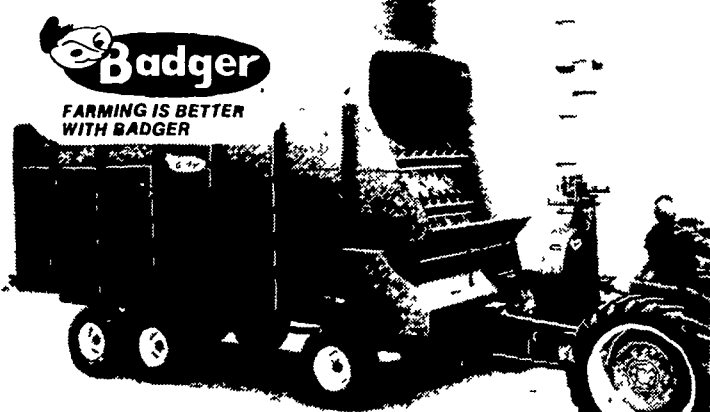


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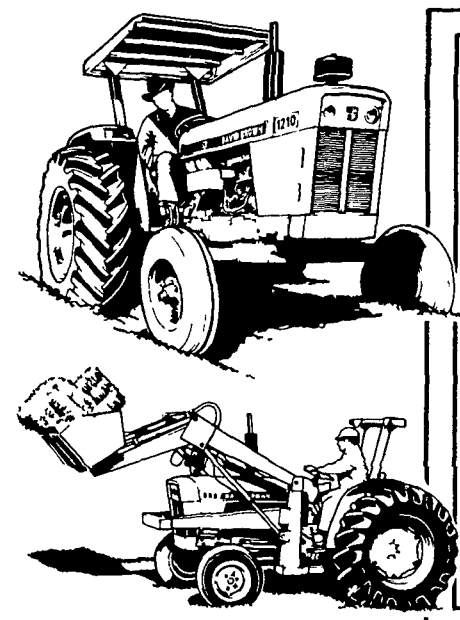
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