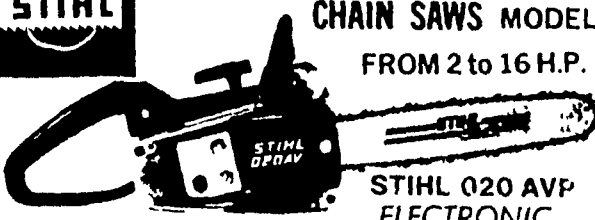


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Hart named to credit post

Messrs. Robert Stover and Richard Zook, General Managers of the Production Credit and Federal Land Bank Associations of York, have announced the appointment of David A Hart to the position of Field Representative of the above

cooperative farm credit associations, effective December 15, 1976.

Hart, a graduate of Hempfield High School, Greensburg, Pa, received his Bachelor's Degree in Agriculture Economics and Rural Sociology, with an emphasis in farm management, from Penn State University in 1972

For the past three years, Mr. Hart has served as Assistant County Agent with the York County Cooperative Extension Service, working primarily with the 4-H

Program and Home Ground Problems

Hart is married to the former Jean Harlan of Coatesville Dave and his wife currently reside at 1049 North Duke Street, in York

Mr Hart will be responsible for servicing the credit needs for agriculture producers of southern York County.

The York Farm Credit Associations currently have a total volume of 50.5 million dollars outstanding in farm and rural residence loans

FFA's receive degree

At the recent meeting of the Grassland FFA Chapter at the Garden Spot High School, 23 members received the Chapter degree. The requirements for the degree are as follows: 1. Must have held the Green Hand degree. 2. Must have a knowledge of the FFA Constitution. 3. Participated in at least three chapter activities. 4. Must have earned at least \$50 by his efforts or have invested in his program. 5. Must be able to demonstrate parliamentary abilities. 6. Must demonstrate ability to lead a discussion for 15 minutes. Other requirements by the Grassland Chapter include being able to pass a written test about the FFA.

Other business carried out at the meeting was: Report on Kansas City trip by Senior class members, report of chain calf committee to purchase two dairy calves, report of committee on Halloween Party, and plans for a joint Christmas Party with the FFA.

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The needles on pine trees grow in clusters or groups. The pines most frequently sold in this area are the Scotch, Austrian, and white.

Scotch and Austrian pines have two needles bound together at the base. The Scotch has medium-soft needles about 1 1/2 to 3 inches long. Austrian pine needles are very stiff and 3 to 4 inches long.

White pine trees always have five needles in a cluster. An easy way to remember this is one needle

for each letter in the word "white."

Spruce trees have single needles. They are four-sided or square and can be rolled easily between your thumb and first finger. Fir needles are flat and won't roll. Remember "S" for square or spruce and "F" for flat or fir.

The Extension leaflet "Indoor Care of Christmas Trees and Greens," will help you identify these Christmas tree species. Get your free copy from your Cooperative Extension Service office.



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