

Letters to the Editor

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the agricultural effect could be disastrous. There will be no way to control their movements for specific pollination, etc.

I would like to suggest that you consider an article for Lancaster Farming con-

cerning African bees and their threat. As far as I have checked, there is not much literature on the subject.

I personally do not raise bees, but I handle the "Beekeeper Indemnity Program" for the Chester - Delaware County ASCS office. We receive Lancaster Farming at the office. There have been some very in-

teresting articles in the past about honeybees in your paper.

Sincerely,
Mark Gerasin



A potpourri of opinions

Dear Editor:

Since we are still in the midst of the weather prophesized by the groundhog on Feb. 2, I thought I would write a line. I like reading Lancaster Farming. It gives a lot of current news and prices of commodities. And the news items such as the one in the last issue (Feb. 26) telling of the land grab that is on foot in our nation. To begin with, we should all realize that Russia is in back of many of these moves. The communist touch is all around us. I hope President Carter has gumption enough to realize this. Now is the time to stand up to them and let them know we are fed up with their doctrine and want none of it. He has no business telling them how to handle the people over there. A lot of people are fools to visit these areas, in my opinion. As to this land grab, the Grange has spoken out as it has for over 100 years on matters that ruin the family farm. We need more dedicated men in the USA like John Scott. I have been a Granger for 55 years and have seen many beneficial things that the Grange has stood for and accomplished.

The NFO (National Farmers Organization) is very smart to themselves

and works for prices that will not stand up in most cases and then dumps their milk or kills calves to gain their end. These demonstrative antics do not pay off in most cases. The Farmers Association runs around trying to get members for a high rate of dues. All I have seen them do is have a good meal a couple of times a year for a select few.

I realize we will all have to fight for our cause and stand up for what we know is right. Many of these meetings do not get a lot done because the average guy will not write and express himself after he comes from the meeting or will not speak out when he has the chance. I have noted that Lancaster Countians are especially noted for that attitude. Many are indutrious and feel they have made theirs so let the other fellow do likewise.

The 4-H is doing things and going places. Our youngsters were all in 4-H. From capon projects in 1935

on for several years through four children.

We are having our farmland taken from us and have been for several years. The planning groups are working as individuals and of course have determined and unqualified people on some. The realtors are still in the saddle. It is very evident in most areas of the county. The good farmground is gobbled up for some other use. We seem to sit back and let it happen and cannot stop the trend. Who is going to slow this down, except the Amish?

The IRS has entirely too much say about many things, I have found out to my sorrow the past couple of years. They are just crooked human beings like many other groups turn out to be and it costs money to hire a good lawyer to convince them their tactics are wrong. Thanking you for your efforts, I am, yours truly,

Melvin Boyce
Quarryville, Pa.

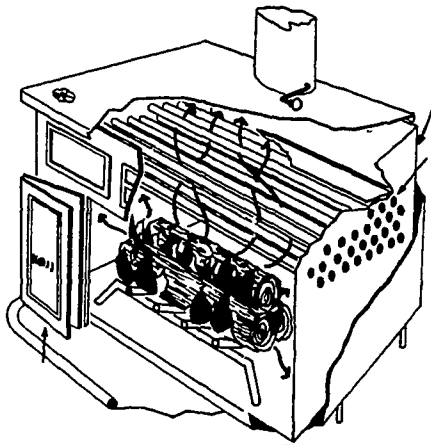
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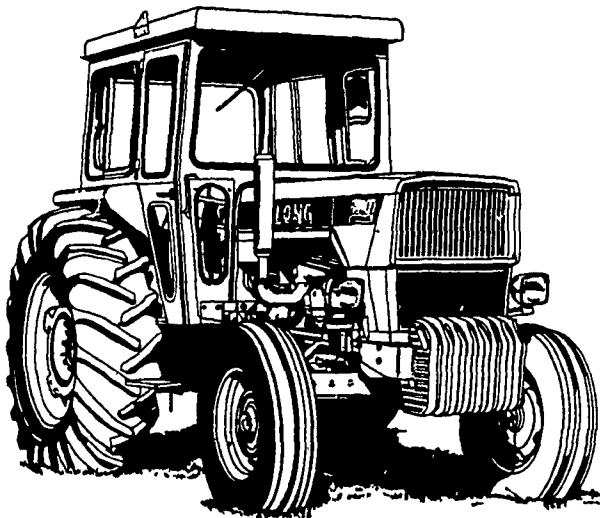
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