



First place winners in the Octorara Young Farmers production contests were: (left to right) Calvin Blank, Cochranville R1, silage; Earl Mast,

Parkesburg, corn grain; Ben Beiler, Cochranville, R2, high cow; Elmer Mast, Parkesburg, R1, hay; and Paul King, Cochranville, high herd.



The newly elected officers of the Octorara Young Farmers are: (back row, left to right) Elmer Mast, treasurer; Harold Bare, secretary; Larry Hershey, public relations;

(front row, left to right) Carl Horst, 1976-77 president; William Stoltzfus, 1977-78 president; and Glen Engle, 1977-78 vice president.

Octorara Young Farmers bestow production awards

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ATGLEN, Pa. - The Octorara Young Farmers gathered recently to honor members who achieved outstanding production in milk, hay and forage, and corn enterprises. State Young Farmer President, Paul King, and state president-elect, Nathan Stoltzfus, both from the Octorara association, joined in the evening program which also included the election of officers for 1977-78.

Top places in herd milk production went to Paul King, Willowland Farm, and

Harold Bare. King's herd tested 16,588 pounds of milk with 660 pounds of butterfat, putting him in first place. Second place went to Willowland Farm with 15,763 pounds of milk and 615 pounds of butterfat. Harold Bare's herd tested 16,068 pounds of milk and 608 pounds of fat giving him third place in the contest.

High-cow production awards were given to Ben Beiler, Paul King, and Harold Bare. A record of 24,182 pounds of milk with 1,013 pounds of fat took first place for Beiler. Second place records were completed by King's cow with 19,849 pounds of milk and 968 pounds of fat. Third place went to Harold Bare for a cow finishing with 24,388 pounds of milk and 956 pounds of fat.

Hay forage results showed Elmer Mast placed first; Earl Mast, second; and Ernest Lantz, third.

Top placing corn silage winners were Calvin Blank in first place; Elmer Mast, second; Merle King, third; Harold Bare, fourth; and Richard Breckbill, fifth. Placements were decided by population, out of pocket costs (land, machinery and labor excluded), and cost per ton of TDN.

Corn grain production awards were received by Earl Mast, first place; Carl Horst, second; Merle King, third; Glen Engle, fourth;

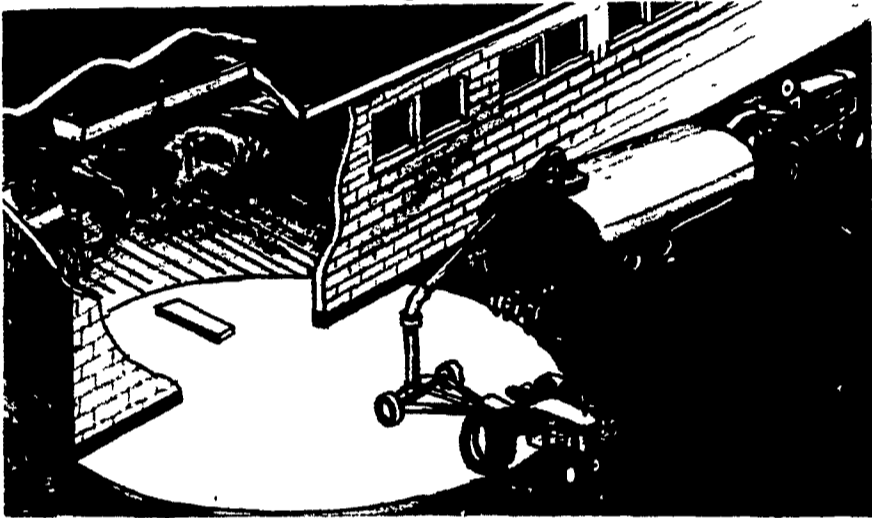
Irvin Engle, fifth and Harold Bare, sixth.

The new slate of officers elected during the evening were William Stoltzfus, president; Glen Engle, vice-president; Harold Bare, secretary; Elmer Mast, treasurer, and Larry Hershey, public relations.

Addressing the local association as the state president, Paul King outlined up-coming events including the state picnic July 8 and 9 at State College, the Winter convention to be held at the Host Town, Lancaster, February 8 and 9, 1978, and the December educational tour to Lewisville, Kentucky.

Carl Horst, 1976-77 president of the Octorara Young Farmers summarized the past year's activities which included the Summer tour to Allentown area dairy farms, a baseball game viewing at Philadelphia, the local picnic, a Fall banquet and a number of meetings with subjects ranging from tractor engines, electric welding, and generators to estate planning, corn planter adjustment, and pesticide application and certification. Guest speaker for the banquet was John Nonamaker, production planner for New Holland Machine Company, who entertained the group with a presentation on antique automobiles.

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