

PFA members assemble for York Co. meeting

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WENGENES MILLS - Over 350 members and guests of the York County Farmers Association turned out for the annual meeting and banquet held Saturday evening, October 8, at historic Colonial Valley.

Under the direction of president Roger Perry, York R8, several directors were selected, a by-law revision made, and 22 policy resolutions passed.

Chester Heim, director of public affairs for the Pennsylvania Farmers Association, was the featured speaker on the meeting theme, "People, Politics and Participation."

"You must participate to appreciate," emphasized Heim. "The degree of

success of any organization depends on how people operate, what they do or don't do. People are important!"

"And if you think you're not dealing with politics, then you're kidding yourself," he added. "Our kind of government calls for involvement; and politics is involvement in getting something done."

A by-laws amendment introduced a system of electing one director from each of nine geographic districts within the county, and added three additional directors at-large, to comprise the total of 12 board members.

Six district and three at-large directors were voted into office. District representatives are: Ray



Serving as directors for the York County Farmers Association are from left: front, Charles Rauhauser, L.C. Wambaugh, Paul McPherson and

Roger Perry; rear, Dennis McWilliams, Russell Lobaugh and Jack Dehoff.

Orner, Dillsburg R2, District 1; Roger Perry, York R8, District 3; Jack Dehoff, Red Lion R2, District 4; Paul McPherson, New Park R1, District 5; Dennis McWilliams, Seven Valleys R2, District 7; Russell Lobaugh, Hanover R2, District 8.

Directors at-large are L.C. Wambaugh, Delta R2, Glenn Shaw, Stewartstown R1, and Carl Landis, Brodbeck.

Carolyn Rutter, Dover R1, reported on the state evaluation committee, on which she represents York County. That committee is

setting up hearings in each county where members will be given the opportunity to offer suggestions, criticisms and requests for changes within the internal structure of the organization.

Resolutions on a wide range of national, state, and

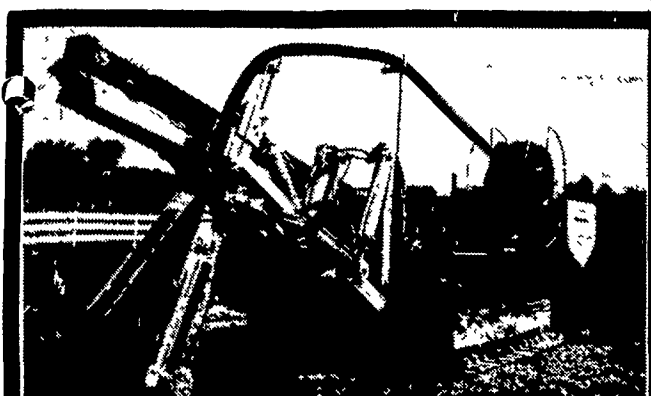
local issues were passed. Support was given to the free commodity marketing system, as opposed to government price supports. Following in that same pattern, a policy for deregulation of gas and oil prices was adopted, as well as recommendations for continued research on alternate forms of energy.

No fault insurance came under fire with the policy resolutions calling for strict enforcement of requirements and a ceiling on payments geared toward holding down sky-rocketing premiums.

Several policies put on the books encompassed dairy industry problems. Sodium caseinate and substitute products were recommended for use only on a limited or percentage basis. Tightening sanitation requirements and regulations on imported milk products was another resolution, as well as calling for the bonding of all milk handlers and purchasers.

With growing bureaucratic accusations aimed at antibiotics in livestock and poultry feeds,

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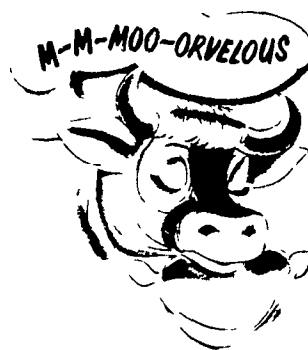
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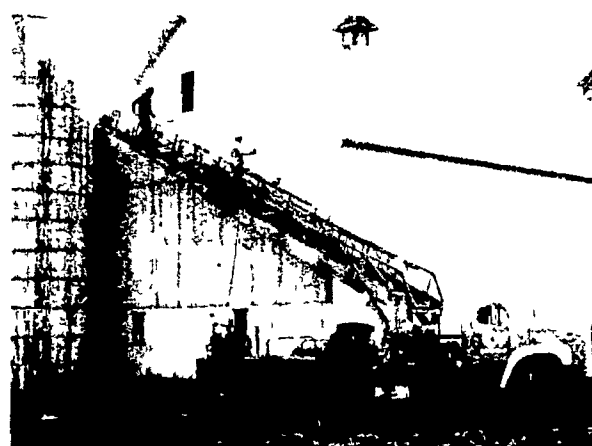
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