## **Awards presented to Etown Young Farmers**

## **By KENDACE BORRY**

ELIZABETHTOWN Over 200 farmers and guests attended the Elizabethtown Young Farmers third annual banquet held February 24 at the Elizabethtown Fire Hall. After a dinner of stuffed chicken breasts, awards were presented to oùtstanding farmers and Pa. Rep. Noah Wenger, Stevens

County group.

Advisor Larry Garber presented the awards for the several contests held throughout the past year.

In the shelled corn contest, top placing went to Clair L. Hoover, Bainbridge R1, with a yield of 153 bushels per Joseph Wivell, Columbia R1,

R1, spoke to the Lancaster with his yield of 151.3 bushels per acre.

The ear corn contest was won by Glenn Hershey, Elizabethtown R3, with 200.3 bushels per acre. With 185.6 bushels per acre, Clair Oberholtzer, also of Elizabethtown R3, placed second.

W. Engle, Irwin acre. Second place went to Elizabethtown R3, won the corn silage yield contest with

his 24.8 tons per acre. Clair L. Hoover placed second with 16.5 tons per acre.

In the corn silage TDN contest, it was a repeat performance with Irwin Engle again placing first and Clair Hoover second. Engle had 75 per cent TDN while Hoover had 73 per cent.

Donald Mowrer, Marietta R1, was named outstanding young farmer of the group. The farmer, who is vice president of the organization, won the award by being chosen by his fellow members as the one who most deserved the title.

Others nominated for the award included Irwin Engle, Donald Risser, Bainbridge R1; and Joseph Wivell.

Rep. Noah Wenger told the farmers not to un-derestimate their part in the U.S. government. One farmer, he related, feeds 50 people in the U.S., and agricultural products make 25 per cent of the U.S. exports. Farmers have a stabilizing effect on the economy.



Winning the outstanding young farmer award is Donald Mowrer, seen on the left. Presenting the award is Larry Garber, advisor to the group.

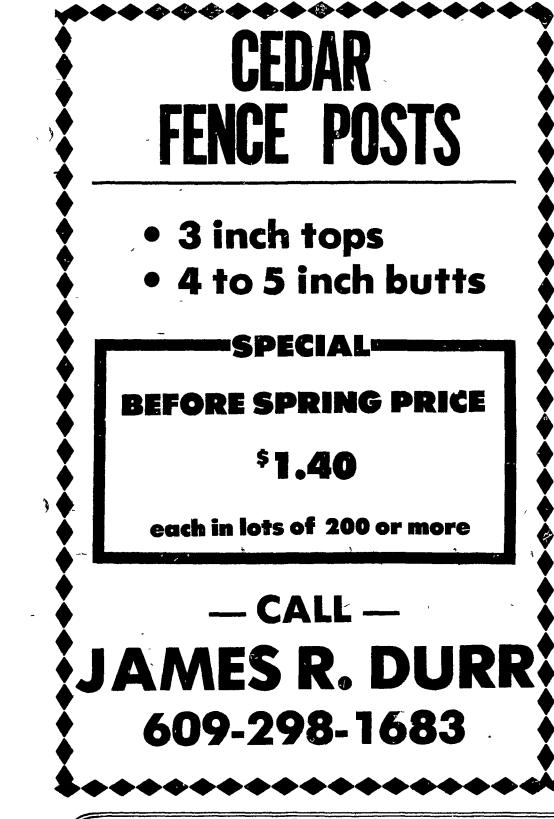


Taking awards at the Elizabethtown Young Farmers third annual banquet were: from left to right, in back: Glenn Hershey, Clair Oberholtzer, and Joseph Wivell. In front are Clair Hoover and Irwin Engle.

In the past, Wenger stated, the farmer has been taken for granted, both by consumers and politicians. But today there is a subtle

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