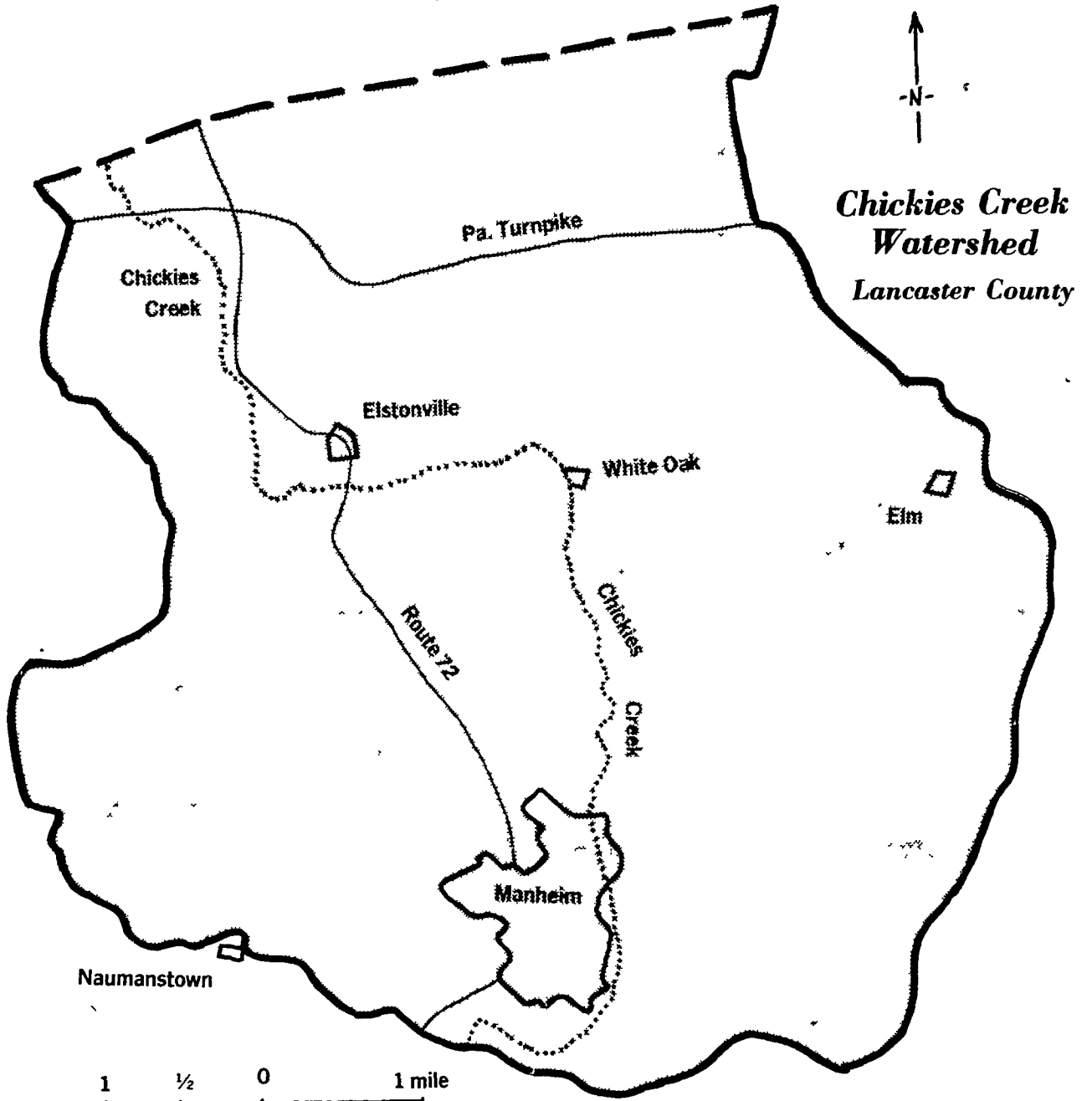


# Land treatment focus of Chickies Creek project

By KENDACE BORRY  
LANCASTER — "Land treatment of the farm land in the Chickies Creek watershed is the first and basic step to flooding problem. Any and all land treatment will help. A heavier emphasis on conservation practices and programs would aid in the management of the flood waters." The speaker was Scott

Eberly, soil conservationist in the Lancaster County Conservation District. He is actively involved in the Chickies Creek watershed project. "Land treatment includes installing terrace systems, diversions, sub-surface drainage, grass waterways, and other erosion control structures," he related. "It is essential to farming, in fact all conservation



The area within the boundaries of the Chickies Creek watershed are shown on the map above.

The dotted line represents the creek whose travel can be traced from its start in Lebanon County. Farmers are urged to check and see if their farms are located within this area and find out if they qualify for land treatment cost sharing.

practices are an important part of the farm industry." In order to aid with this land treatment, cost-sharing is offered by the ASCS office. Because of the high priority of the project, the rate offered by the government has been raised. In fact, 90 per cent of the cost of land treatment improvement practices in the Chickies Creek watershed will be paid by the government until the funds are exhausted. At the start of the year, \$12,000 was allocated for the (Turn to Page 34)

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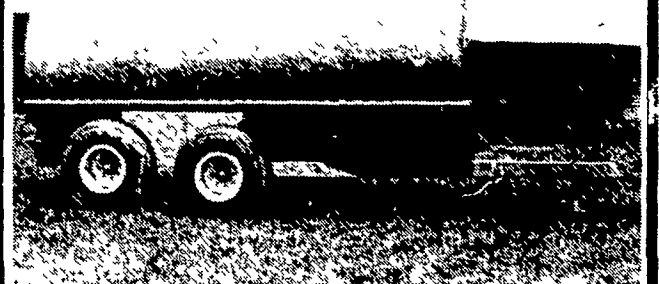
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