

State FFA convention delegates named

ALEXANDRIA, Va. - This November 7 to 10, 122 young men and women will meet in Kansas City, Missouri, to represent their states as official delegates at the Future Farmers of America's Golden Anniversary Celebration at the 1978 National Convention. The delegates will represent nearly 510,000 FFA members nationwide as they discuss and vote on issues of critical importance to the future of the National FFA Organization.

Representing Pennsylvania at the convention will be John Trapasso, New Wilmington, and Michael J. Beatty, Grove City R2. From Maryland, Donald Trimmer, Woodsboro; and Kelly Arnold, Union Bridge; will attend.

Margie Finezan, Vintnor; and Cynthia Hamlen, Stewartsville, will represent New Jersey. And travelling from Delaware to the convention will be William Brown, Wyoming R2; and Donald Bullock, Farrington R2.

For years FFA members have made the decisions that

shaped their organization, now known as the largest and most imitated vocational student organization in the world. Delegates to the National FFA Convention are selected by each State FFA Association and are usually members of the state officer team. Each state is permitted to send two delegates from its active membership plus one additional delegate for each 10,000 members above the first 10,000 members. This year 15 states are represented by more than two delegates, the largest delegation being from Texas which has seven delegates.

During the National Convention the delegates are seated in a special section at the front of the auditorium. They initiate, debate, and vote on all convention business. At the 1978 convention, delegates will vote on several important items including constitutional changes, acceptance of individuals for honorary degrees and distinguished service citations and

selection of the 1978-79 National FFA Officers.

In addition to their duties on the convention floor, the delegates carry out responsibilities on special committees. The committees of delegates and adult leaders review and make recommendations to the National Organization on many activities including: leadership programs, finance of the organization, the national program of activities, national public relations activities, and many other aspects of the operation of the National Organization. After meeting with committee members and adult leaders, each committee chairman reports on his committee's findings and makes recom-

mendations on the convention floor.

The delegates will be in session for the first time November 6. All business meetings are conducted by one of the six national officers and are interspersed with other activities such as guest speakers, presentation of awards and music by the National FFA Band and Chorus.

Delegates will meet for the last time on November 10, when the new National Officers take the oath of office. After a final call for official business, the 1978-79 national president will close the FFA's Golden Anniversary National Convention and the delegates will return home to report their activities to other FFA members in their state.

Commonwealth National Bank is first in agricultural loans

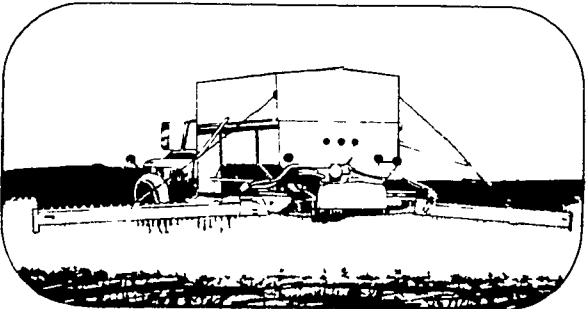
HARRISBURG - Statistics compiled and recently released by the American Bankers Association (ABA), places Commonwealth National Bank, as the leading bank in Pennsylvania for agricultural loans. In the ranking by size of total farm loans, the ABA ranked Commonwealth National Bank 31st among the top 100 nationwide banks. As of December 31, 1977, the total amount of agricultural

loans at Commonwealth National Bank, listed as \$43,263,000., compared to \$33,263,000. on December 31, 1976. The total agricultural loans were made directly through the bank as well as through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Agri-Loan Corp.

Mr. Robert P. Bucher, of Lancaster, manager and treasurer of the subsidiary, noted the subsidiary serves agricultural customers in 20 southcentral Pennsylvania counties.

Apply lime in the fall for a better crop next summer

Fall liming assures proper limestone distribution in the soil ready for spring planting. The freezing and thawing of winter aid in the process of limestone dissemination. So why wait correct your soil deficiency now by liming and reap a bigger harvest next summer.



BLUE BALL 354 4125
GAP 442 4148

**MARTIN
LIMESTONE
INC.**

The Genetic Edge



Order DEKALB Hybrids For Consistent Yields

Consistent, big-yield performance That's what counts in a corn hybrid. And, that's why so many farmers order DEKALB hybrids. DEKALB offers The Genetic Edge. That little extra that adds up to a consistent yield advantage. With your DEKALB Big 3 you get real

yield security by planting a range of maturities. Now you can harvest the best hybrid in each maturity for your farm. See your DEKALB dealer today and place your order for consistent yields. Put The Genetic Edge to work in your fields.

XL-53

XL-53 An outstanding hybrid for big yields and maximum return. Offers excellent standability and disease resistance. Large, blocky ears. Fast drydown.

XL-72b

XL-72b Consistent yields for Pennsylvania farmers. Quality ears loaded with heavy grain. Bred-in resistance helps it ripen mature ears on healthy stalks.

XL-78

XL-78. It stands and yields. XL-78 offers top yields in a full season hybrid. Long ears with exceptional finish. Excellent foliar disease resistance. Strong stalks.

As a condition of sale, please note statement of limited warranty and remedy of DEKALB products at all times.



DEPEND ON DEKALB

DEKALB is a registered brand name. Numbers designate hybrids.

FREY FREE STALL LIFETIME FREE STALL HOUSING



Cut bedding costs 75 per cent, reduce labor for barn cleaning and cow washing, reduce teat and udder injury to the minimum — house your milking herd in free stall housing. Each cow provided a stall for loafing. She won't be stepped on, the rear curb forces manure out into alley for mechanical cleaning or washing. A few minutes twice a day cleans the stalls and curbs, bedding lasts almost forever if your stalls fit the cows. Popular sizes are 6'6", 7' and 7'6" Size 'em by breed.

Our free stall partition may be mounted on wooden head boards or we make a steel divider. Set the legs in 8 to 10' concrete curbs to hold and retain bedding. Stall floor can be soil, sand or gravel. Bedding — straw, sawdust, peanut hulls, ground corn cobs etc. Should be installed with paved alley surface 8 feet wide for mechanical cleaning or washing.

- 8 Models all steel welded farm & feedlot gates
- 2 Models all steel welded head catch gate

For prices, contact: Fred Frey, Mgr.
(717) 786-2146

FREY BROS.
RD2 Quarryville, PA 17566