18-Lancaster Farming, Saturday, September 1, 1979



The storm that hit during July moved up to two feet of soil from this cornfield.



Farmers from the surrounding Farmersville area talk to Aaron Stauffer. chairman of the Lancaster Conservation District. The men met to discuss ways to combat erosion problems in the area.

Conservation explained at farmers' meeting

FARMERSVILLE - On July 21 this Summer, a storm swept through the Farmersville area of Lancaster County, causing extensive damage to fields and crops.

Wednesday evening a meeting was held for interested farmers, giving them a chance to meet with members of the Lancaster Conservation District, the ASCA, and the Soil Conservation Service, in order to

take action to prevent such races was covered. "More storm damage in the future. According to Aaron Stauffer, chairman of the Lancaster Conservation District, it was a "good meeting'

"The farmers showed interest," he commented, "and hopefully they will put the practices to use.

He noted that many conservation practices were covered, and stressed that the practice of cropland ter-

and more row crops are grown, especially corn," he added.

The meeting began with a audio-visual demonstration. telling of the plunder of the soil of the United States, and explained the creation of the Soil Conservation Service

and the soil conservation tice in the fight against soil also spoke, reflected that he districts.

Warren Archibald, representing the Soil Conservation Service, explained the practices of contour strips. grass waterways, water management structures, terraces, and pipe outlets. He

erosion.

Stauffer took the stage to talk about the role of the conservation districts. Again the benefits of conservation were stressed to the 30 or so farmers in attendance.

From the Lancaster ASCS told the value of each prac- office, Ray Brubaker, who

too felt the response to the meeting was good. He added that there was a need for soil conservation practices in that area.

"Without soil conservation practices," Aaron Stauffer commented, "farmers are the losers.





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