

Hallowell to speak at Lancaster Co. Extension meeting

LANCASTER — Pennsylvania Secretary of Agriculture, Penrose Hallowell will be the guest speaker at the Lancaster County Extension Association's annual dinner meeting, announced Max Smith, County Extension Director

Secretary Hallowell will be talking to Lancaster Co. citizens about the future of the state's farm industry in the 1980's. He will be covering the marketing aspects and various promotional programs of the Pa. DA

Hallowell is familiar with many of the problems confronting Pennsylvania farmers, not only because of the position he holds, but because he too is a farmer. With his son, James, Hallowell runs a 290 acre dairy farm, in Ottsville, Bucks County

He served as state director of the Farmers Home Ad-



Penrose Hallowell Secretary of Agriculture

ministration of the U.S. Department of Agriculture for eight years, and has been active in many agricultural organizations

Hallowell has served Bucks County as president of the county's Farmers Association, and was chairman of the Conservation District. He was also chairman of the county's Extension

Executive Committee and director of the Montgomery-Bucks Federal Land Bank Association. He served, too, as overseer of the Edgewood Grange

Hallowell will be the guest speaker at this year's event which will be held on Tuesday, February 12 at 6.45 p.m. at the Farm and Home Center

A brief business meeting of the Extension association is planned, with the election of several directors.

In addition, there will be a special musical presentation by the Pequea Valley Chamber-Singers.

Advance reservations are needed to attend this special dinner meeting. Tickets can be purchased from any Extension director or by contacting the Farm and Home Center office. The deadline for making reservations is Friday, February 8

Grant says farmers prove courage of their convictions

PHOENIX, Ariz. — In standing firm with our nation's leaders against international terrorism and blackmail, American farm and ranch people are proving that "they have the courage of their convictions," Allan Grant said here Monday.

Grant, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, spoke at the 61st annual meeting of the federation in Phoenix.

"Detente with Russia again has taken on the character of a cold war," Grant said. "We hope and pray that, at worst, it stays a cold war."

Grant said he feels trade sanctions against the Soviet Union should have been used only after other persuasive actions had been taken.

Priority actions listed were an immediate rebuilding of a properly balanced, superior U.S. defense system; a buildup of

military bases with emphasis on the Persian Gulf area; reassemble the country's largely dismantled intelligence network; and reject the SALT II treaty.

"Beyond this new context of national security," Grant said, "we must continue our headline support for freer access to markets and our adamant opposition to governmental manipulation of markets for purely political purposes."

Earlier, at the news conference, Grant called for government actions which could improve farm markets and income.

He said the government should expand export trade functions through the office of the special trade representative and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

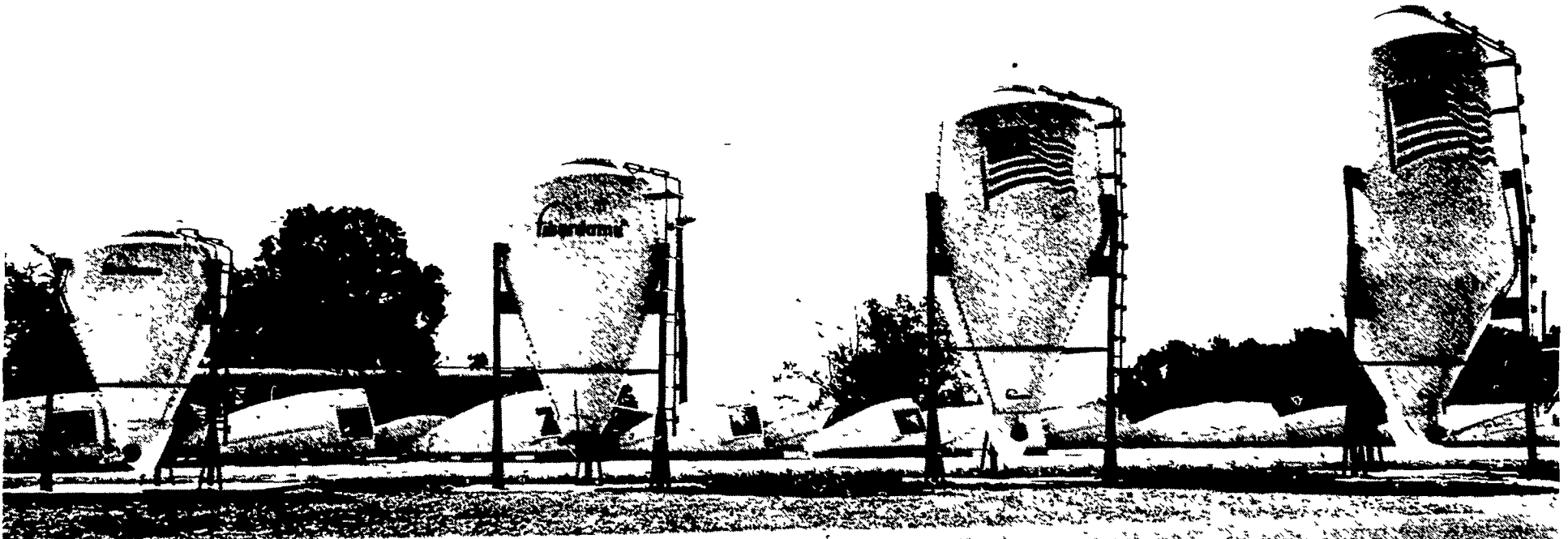
He added the government should act at once to restore sharply reduced Commodity Credit Corporation's export credit funds; increased use

of Public Law 480 assistance to developing countries; and implement an all-out "crash" research program centered on new uses and new markets for farm products.

Saying inflation remains agriculture's number one problem, the farm leader said the most important government action should be "for the executive branch to accept major responsibility for bringing inflation under control."

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