

Adam's countians concerned about USDA program redirection

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GETTYSBURG — Attracting some 50 concerned citizens, ranging from farmers to political figures, a Resource Conservation Act meeting was held in Gettysburg on Tuesday, March 11, 1980.

The RCA meeting, held at the Adams County National Bank on the Harrisburg Road, was a joint effort of the United States Department of Agriculture's local Soil Conservation Service and the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service offices in Gettysburg.

Glenn Miller, county director of ASCS and Timothy Hann, soil con-

servationist trainee of SCS presented a slide-tape presentation on RCA and addressed the questions and concerns of the group attending.

RCA, which was passed in 1977, addresses the serious resource conservation problems that have surfaced over the years and that have become threatening to non-federal land areas.

The Act focuses on seven resource areas, and also presents seven alternative strategies that could be used in achieving the conservation objectives.

The seven resource areas are: soil resource quantity and quality; water quality; water supply and conservation; fish and wildlife,

habitat; upstream flood damages; energy conservation and production; related natural resources.

The seven alternative strategies accompanying these resource areas are redirect present programs, cross compliance; regional resource projects; state leadership; regulation, conservation performance bonus; and natural resource

contracts.

By conducting local and regional RCA meetings the USDA can collect public feeling, both for and against the proposed strategies.

RCA meetings are designed to generate and gather public input of concerned citizens on what the USDA is currently doing in resource conservation. Are they doing what citizens feel

they should be doing? — Are they meeting the needs and demands of today?

During the Gettysburg RCA meeting, a concern that was widely expressed was, why can't our present conservation programs work? Why must we redirect programs and fall back on alternative strategies?

RCA resource areas, objectives, and alternative

strategies will roughly cost \$3.9 billion to achieve.

Some of the RCA goals are as far as 50 years down the road to accomplishment.

The USDA is asking for public help on deciding which of the proposed strategies should be considered and developed for the Nation's soil and water conservation programs.

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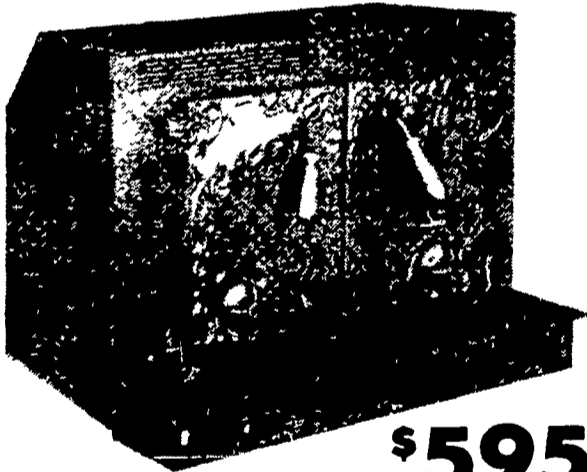
1 cup peanut butter
1 cup light corn syrup
1 cup instant dry milk
1 cup cookie crumbs (chocolate cookies with no filling are the best)

Place about 10 cookies in a clean plastic bag (a plastic bread bag works great). Crush the cookies with a rolling pin and set aside.

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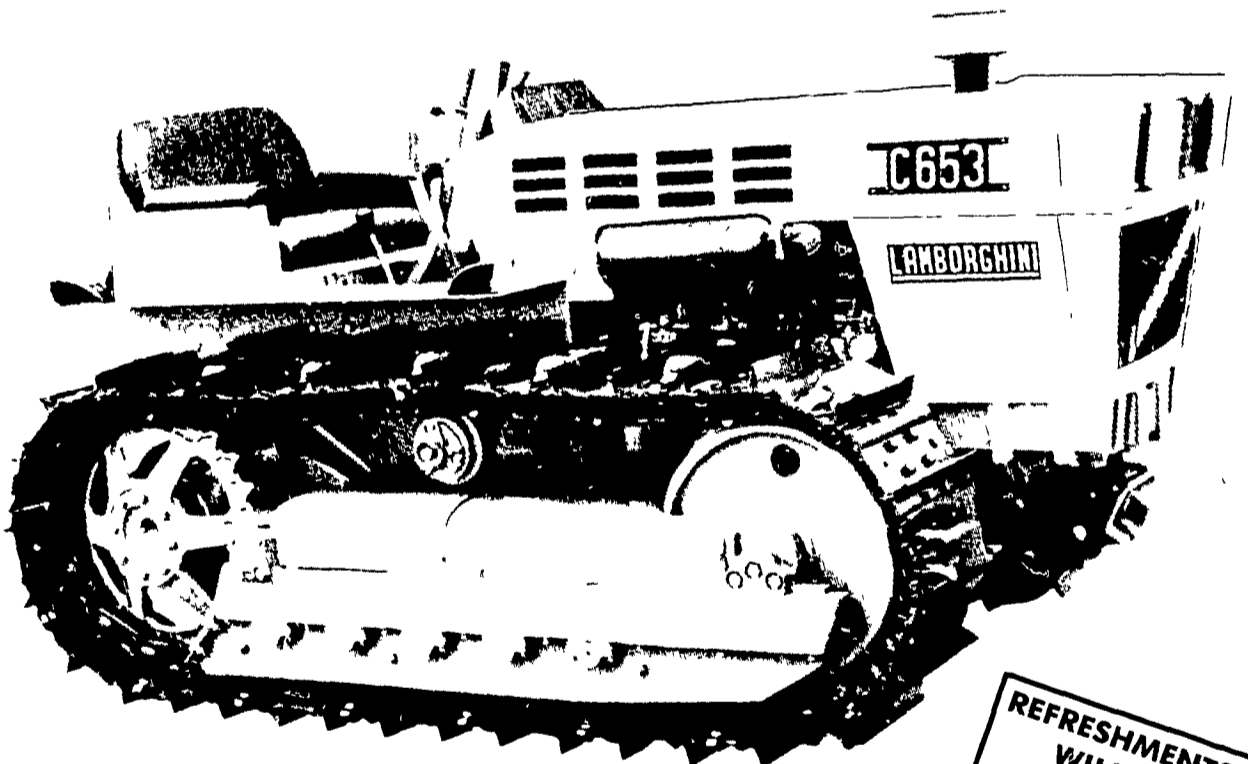
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