

# Berwick Veg Co-op elects 5 new directors

BERWICK — Berwick Vegetable Cooperative hosted members, guests, and friends on the occasion of its 27th Annual Dinner Meeting, Saturday, June 14, 1980, at the Columbia-Montour Vo-Tech School, R.

5, Bloomsburg. This annual gathering was addressed by Mrs. Ruth Hand, home economist, Schuylkill County extension service. Edward Hopkins, Falls, President of the Board of

Directors, presided over the annual membership meeting, assisted by Raymond Hetherington, Ringtown, Secretary of the Board.

The Annual Report of Operations was presented by Burt Hetherington, Ringtown, Manager of the Cooperative

Hetherington reported a profit for the fiscal period under review. He stated that the Board of Directors has already taken action to distribute the profit in full in cash to BVC's patrons within the time frame prescribed by Pennsylvania Cooperative Law.

Hetherington discussed the diversity of services in both produce marketing and farm supply purchasing offered to BVC's patrons in 22 counties of northeastern Pennsylvania and 3 counties of western Pennsylvania. This diversified program

gives BVC the opportunity to be active and available to its patrons a full twelve months of the year.

He stated that all of this contributes to the sound financial position of the cooperative and the quality of the service offered.

Myrtle Neidlinger, Zion Grove, Chairman of the Nominating Committee presented a slate of nominees for election to the Board of Directors by the membership present at the Annual Meeting.

Board Members elected for three-year terms are: District I, W Scott White, Clarks Summit; District II, Harold Smith, Nescopeck; District III, Harvey Vough, Dushore; District IV, Harold Rarig, Catawissa; and District V, Raymond Hetherington, Ringtown.

President Hopkins complimented Ed Naunczek, Berwick, Chairman of the

Program Committee and others who assisted in the staging of a successful annual meeting.

Hopkins called attention to the passing of one of BVC's founders, Clemon Smith, R 1 Nescopeck. He was a member of the Organization Committee, served on the original Board of Directors, and was BVC's first Board President. At the time of his passing, Clem was serving BVC as a Member of the Board and Board Secretary.

President Hopkins expressed his gratitude to all for the cooperation extended to him by fellow Board Members, Patrons, and Staff of BVC during a very successful year of operation.

Hetherington introduced Mrs. Hand, the speaker of

the evening. Mrs. Hand's address, "The Upbeat Attitude" dealt with our ability to survive the fast pace of the decades ahead. Finding our own stress levels and maintaining a positive attitude will help us to expand our capacity as long as we live.

Attitude and emotions can affect our health and our ability to cope with everyday occurrences. By mastering these attributes we can fill the many voids which can occur in future life, she said.

Hetherington presented Mrs. Hand with the traditional vegetable basket in appreciation for her address and many other courtesies extended to BVC and its patrons.

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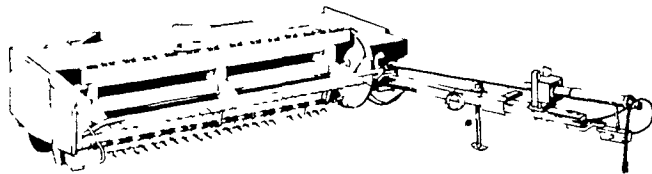
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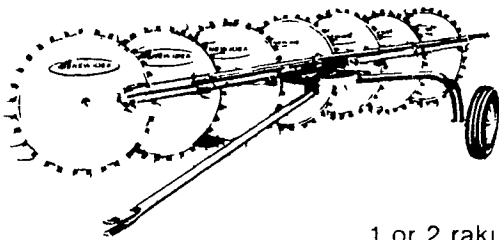
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