

# Lancaster extension meets lawmakers

LANCASTER — Lancaster County Extension members met with state legislators at a banquet in Harrisburg as part of the fourth annual State Capital Day.

Max Smith, County Extension Director said that the banquet, sponsored by the Pennsylvania Council of Cooperative Extension Associations, gave committee members the opportunity to visit with legislators and discuss the impact of Extension programs carried out across the state and at the county level.

Lancaster County delegates who took part in the day's activities were. Kenneth Brandt, Representative, Donald Hershey, Extension Board, Doris Thomas, Extension Home Economist; Richard Snyder, Senator, Noah Wenger, Representative, Clarence Manbeck, Representative, Mark S. Hess, Extension Board and Carlton Groff, Extension Board

State Capital Day is an annual event that provides PCCEA the chance to thank legislators for their support. The organization is comprised of representatives of county Extension executive committees who serve in an ad-

visory capacity to local Extension programs.

In Lancaster County and across the state, PCCEA functions primarily to provide advice to Penn State so the extension service can develop programs that will improve the quality of life for Pennsylvanians

At the Legislative banquet, Pennsylvania Secretary of Agriculture, Penrose Hallowell, welcomed the committee mem-

bers and read a statement sent by Governor Dick Thornburgh

"The Cooperative Extension Service of The Pennsylvania State University provides valuable information and educational programs in the areas of agriculture and natural resources, family life, and 4-H youth and community development," said Hallowell quoting from the Governor's message.

"Last year, over two million citizens were the direct recipients of these services which provide information that can benefit all Pennsylvanians.

"Capital Day provides an opportunity for legislators to become further acquainted with the vital

work of the Cooperative Extension Service in the hope that even more citizens will take advantage of its programs during the coming year," Hallowell concluded.

Hallowell thanked the legislators for their enthusiastic support and stressed the important role Extension plays in Pennsylvania agriculture.

The Secretary was introduced by Mary Grim, mistress of ceremonies, and PCCEA representative from Adams County Other speakers on the program included Christy Bail,

Washington County state 4-H public speaking winner, Enos Sage, chairman of the Legislative Committee of the PCCEA and Rolland Herring, President of the organization.

The program also included a slide show entirely narrated by PCCEA members.

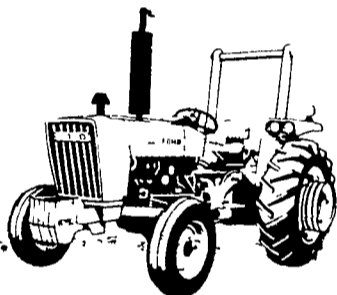
While in Harrisburg the Extension executive committee members also met informally with the legislators in their offices to discuss Extension accomplishments and concerns



From left those attending the legislative session were: Kenneth Brandt, Representative; Donald Hershey, Extension Board; Doris Thomas, Extension Home Economist; Richard Snyder, Senator; Noah W. Wenger, Representative; Clarence Manbeck, Representative; Mark S. Hess, Extension Board; and Carlton Groff, Extension Board.

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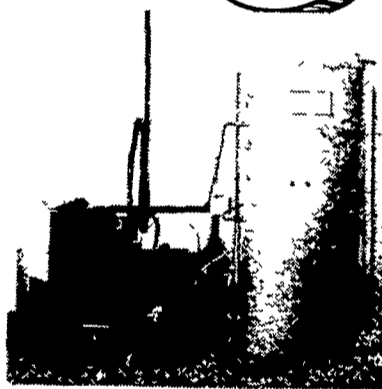


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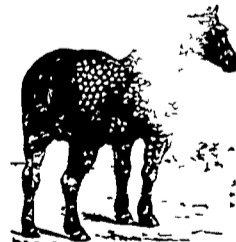
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