

I-S District 5 members receive awards

BY SHEILA MILLER

WILLOW STREET — Members of Inter-State Milk Producers' Cooperative District 5 met here Thursday at the Willow Valley Restaurant to honor 25-year members, elect officers, and hear the latest on legislation, insurance, and management affecting milk producers.

Receiving their 25-year plaques and pins were H.H. Haverstick, Raymond and Alice Metz, Harold Landis, John and Gladys Landis, and Lester and Robert Hoover.

Officers elected for the three Locals in District 5 included

— Millersville Local - J. Robert Kindig, president, David H. McMichael, vice president, Wilmer L. Shertzer, secretary-treasurer, Glenn E. Burkholder and Nelson Habecker, delegates, Glenn R. Binkley and David Garber, alternates; and Melvin L. Shertzer, hauling committee member.

— West Lampeter Local - James D. Shertzer, president, Arthur L. Breneman, vice president; Robert H. Gochenaur, Jr., secretary-treasurer, Philip B. Beller and Donald Bare, delegates, James L. High and J. Mowrey Frey, Jr., alternates.

— Witmer Local - J. Robert Esbenshade, president; John J. Landis, vice president; Harvey E.

Heller, secretary-treasurer, Harvey E. Heller and Jeffrey L. Landis, delegates, David B. King and Benueel S. Smucker, Jr., alternates.

Speaking to the producers on the need to have adequate product liability insurance was Bernard Morrissey, representative of Agway Insurance. He pointed out most farm liability policies cover product liability, but not all do.

Morrissey emphasized insurance coverage is for accidental 'spoiling' of a tanker or silo of milk only — not for intentional acts. He said Agway insurance will cover a milk producer's neighbors loss, but not loss incurred by the producer whose milk spoiled the tanker.

To date, he stated, there have been two claims paid in the industry for milk contamination by antibiotics — one amounting to \$42,000 and the other \$38,000.

Morrissey concluded by stressing the need to prevent barn fires. "Today's economy breeds fires," he observed.

Director J. Wade Groff brought the producers up-to-date on the status of Senate Bill 509 which limits or cancels the quarterly price adjustment of milk, starting April 1.

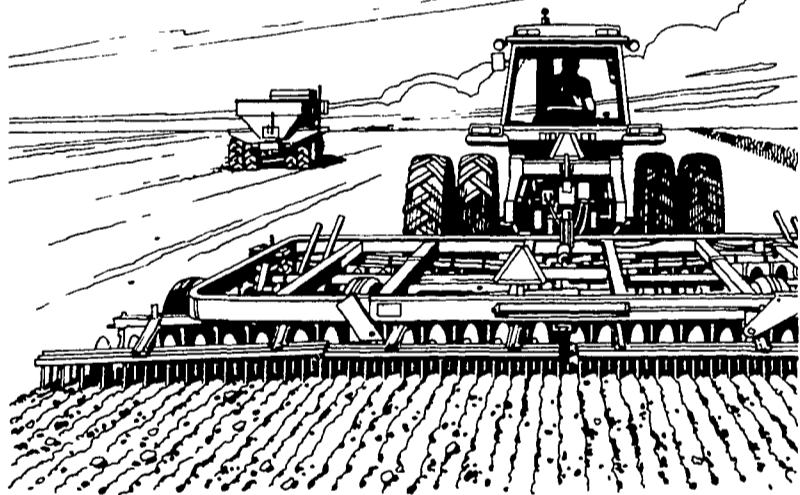
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Inter-State District 5 Cooperative members receiving 25-year awards included: from left, Lester Hoover, Lancaster, a retired dairy producer; Raymond and Alice Metz, Lampeter, who've seen their Holstein herd increase from 25 head to their present 46 head of registered cows; and John and Gladys Landis, Leola, who

started out with 18 Holsteins and now have 65 registered 'Black and Whites'. Said Gladys, the only thing she'd have done differently would have been buying more good stock earlier. Also receiving a 25-year award was H.H. Haverstick and Harold Landis, not pictured.

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