

Franklin Co. farmers elect ASC committee

CHAMBERSBURG — D. Merle Baughman, county executive director of the Franklin County ASCS Office, 550 Cleveland Avenue, Chambersburg announced today the results of the Franklin County ASC Convention which was held at the Franklin County ASCS office, Dec. 15.

J. Thomas Shook, grain farmer from 10288 Grant Shook Rd., Greencastle, was elected to a three-year term and will serve as

regular member for 1983. R. Gene Stoner, dairyman from 8145 Oellig Rd., Mercersburg, was elected chairman. Walter W. Grove, a dairyman from 115 Clearfield Rd., Shippensburg, was elected vice chairman. Also elected as first alternate was Richard Harshman, 1227 Clay Hill Rd., Chambersburg; and Carl Pugh, 2355 Wayne Rd., Chambersburg, was elected as second alternate.

The terms of office for newly

elected committeemen began Jan. 1.

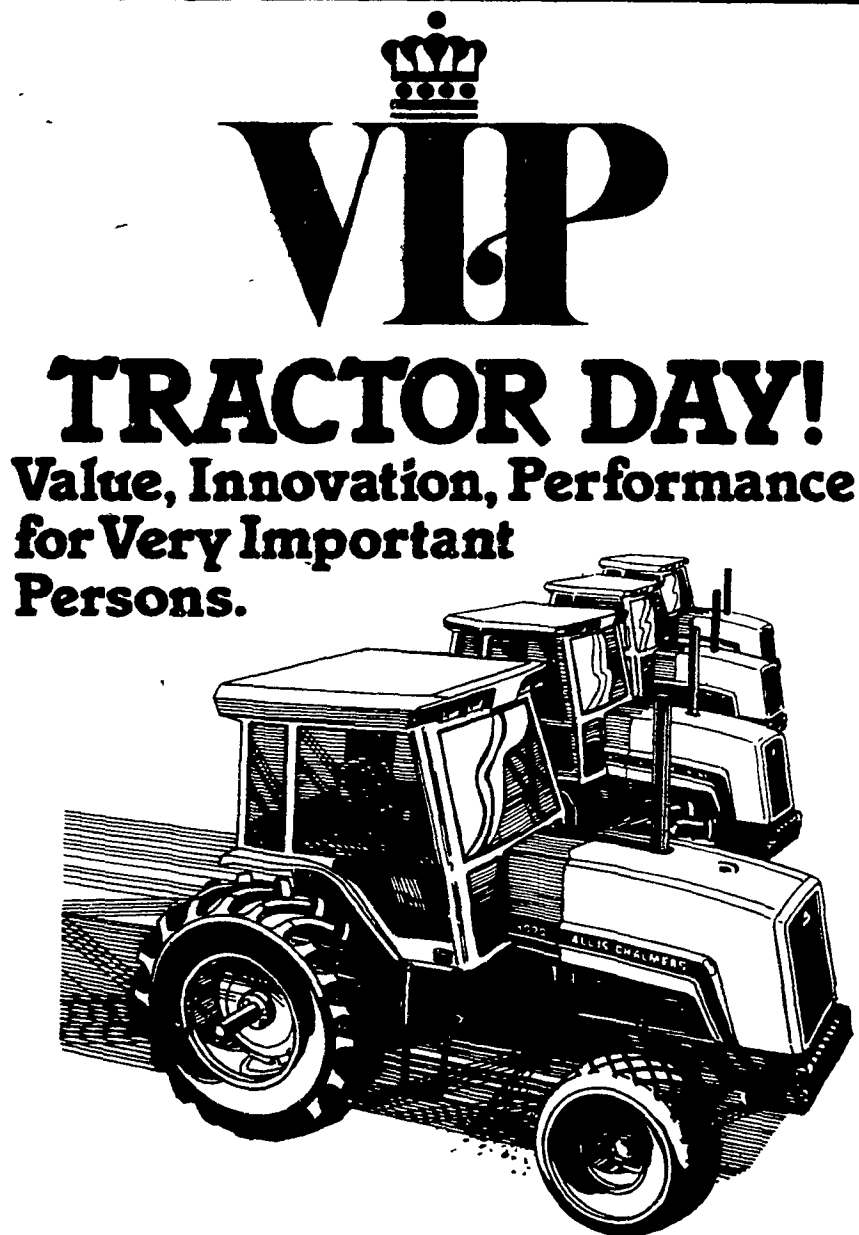
The County Committee is in charge of local administration of federal farm programs. The U.S. Department of Agriculture is responsible for program activities and the department in turn relies on the judgement and leadership of the locally elected farmers and county office employees to carry out the details of the programs.

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LANCASTER — Service. The service is a farm planning meeting between a farmer and a soil conservationist. "A farm planning meeting consists of a review of the farm's natural resource and a discussion of the farmer's objectives". states Joe Filanowski, a soil conservationist at the Lancaster Soil Conservation Field Office. "From the meeting, a farm plan is developed which contains the farmer's decisions on soil conservation measures".

Such measures may be terraces, diversions, waterways, tile drainage, contour strips and manure holding facilities. The Soil Conservation Service provides free technical assistance for these and other conservation measures. Also several of these conservation practices are eligible for cost-sharing funds from the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service.

For more information on farm planning or technical assistance with conservation practices, contact the local office of the Soil Conservation Service.



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