

Farm Credit News

Farm Credit Issues Refunds

YORK — Local farmers who get their long term financing through the Federal Land Bank Association will find a surprise in their mail boxes this month.

Jay V. Rush, President for the York Farm Credit Service announced that the Board of Directors has approved the retirement of capital stock and participation certificates of the Federal Land Bank in excess of 6 percent of the unmatured principal balance.

This will mean a check to many of the farmer borrowers, who are

also the owners of the Farm Credit cooperatives.

Rush said that the checks would be in the mail within the next few weeks. "The York Farm Credit Service had a good year in 1986. As a result we are again able to refund excess capital stock and participation certificates. Checks totaling \$107,000 will be sent to 356 of our members," Rush added.

The York Farm Credit Service provides short and long term loans to farmers in Adams, Cumberland, Franklin, Fulton, Perry, and York Counties.

Young's Honors Sales Force

ROARING SPRING — Young's Livestock Nutritional Services named the following sales representatives to this year's Top Achievers Club at a company-wide sales convention held recently at the Troftrees Resort, State College:

Ray L. Brechbill of Lititz for the third year; Audrey A. Bronson of Bloomsburg, James G.

Longenecker, Jr. of Atglen, and Curt D. Umble of Landisville for the second year in a row. Named for the first time were Gerald A. Burket of Martinsburg, and William H. Romberger of Selinsgrove, Pa.

Selection to this Top Achievers Club is based on sales volume, new account growth, business

management, and other criteria involved in the management of a sales territory.

Young's sales representatives work directly with area dairy and livestock producers in ration balancing and feeding management along with providing a complete line of vitamin/mineral premixes and allied products.

NACA Urges Farmers To Take Certification Training

WASHINGTON — The National Agricultural Chemicals Association has launched a nationwide campaign encouraging farmers and private applicators to become certified in the use of pesticides.

The NACA, with the support of many grower organizations, is urging all growers — whether or not they use restricted-use pesticides — to be certified because

all chemicals need to be used safely and responsibly, says Dr. Earl C. Spurrier, vice president of regulatory affairs for the NACA.

A videotape, pamphlet and slide set touting the benefits of certification have been produced for the NACA campaign. The materials are designed for use at grower meetings and seminars. The NACA has also developed a theme for the campaign: "It's a

Matter of Pride. Be Certified."

The Environmental Protection Agency is currently reviewing all pesticides, classifying them as either general- or restricted-use. Many general-use pesticides that farmers have used in the past have been reclassified as restricted-use by the EPA, and more are likely to follow. By law, all farm chemical users must be certified to buy or apply restricted-use pesticides.

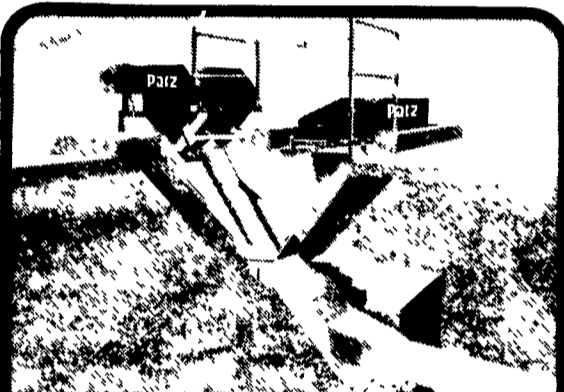
To become certified, a farmer must satisfactorily complete an applicator certification training program conducted by his state. Information on the certification training program can be obtained through the county extension office, the state university college of agriculture or the state department of agriculture.

Topics discussed during certification training include: safety procedures, reading labels, mixing, calibration, application, storage, disposal, weed, insect and disease identification, environmental issues, and laws and regulations.

"All farmers can use additional information to do a better job using pesticides," he says. "The certification training program is designed to make each grower more knowledgeable in safe chemical use. And, in the end, a knowledgeable farmer is a better farmer."

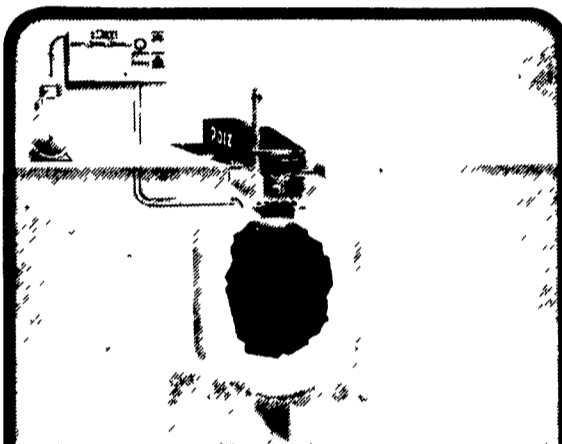
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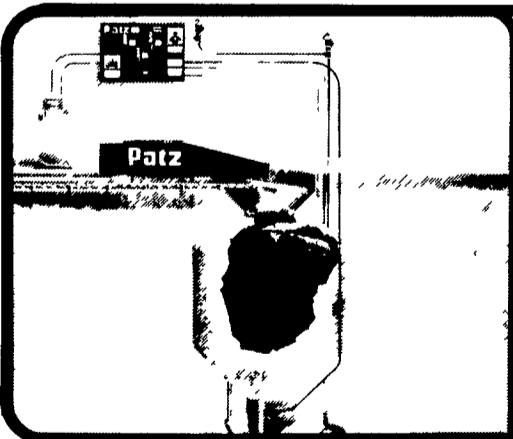
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