

Here Are Some Glimpses From Farm Shows Past

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — Farm Show has made some dramatic changes throughout the years. But few years are as dramatic as this one, with new construction and upgrades. It's a brand-new complex.

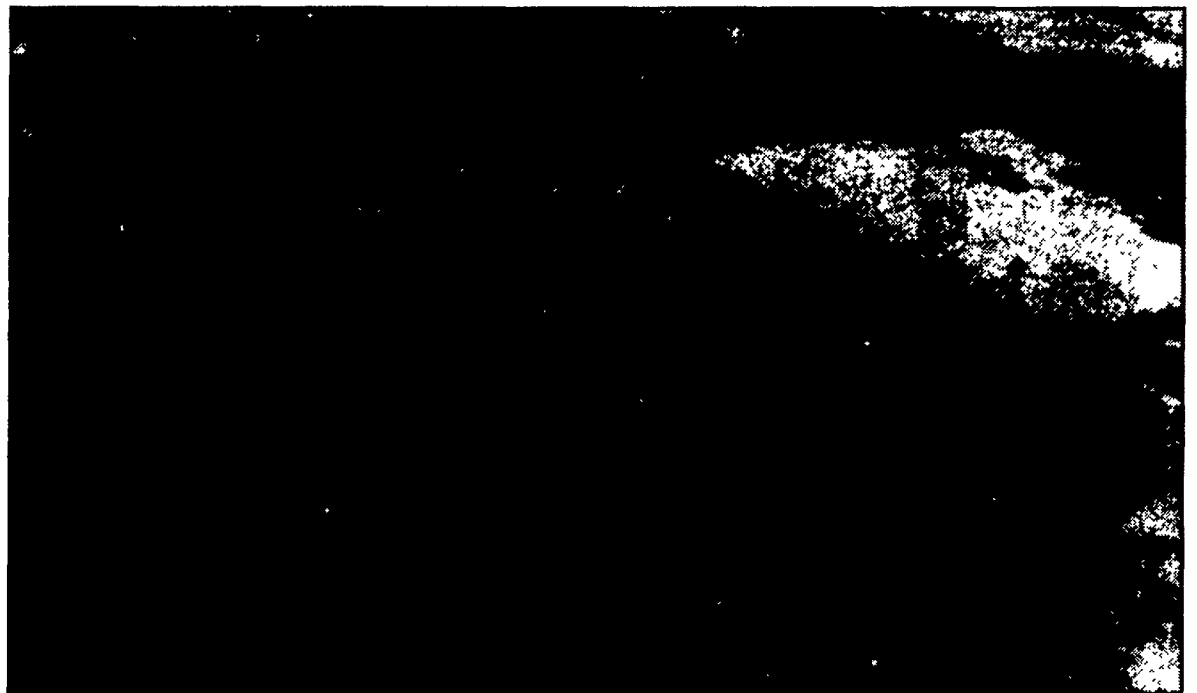
Here's a trip down memory lane to Farm Shows in the past.

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IN KEEPING with the magnitude of the State of Pennsylvania's Farm Show, and the magnificent building the Commonwealth has built to house it, Jackson's has installed the largest cafeteria in all the State. Finest equipment was selected, special attention was paid to arrangement, and everything that is to be found in the highest class cafeteria is here to adequately care for over 10,000 patrons every day of the Farm Show.

JACKSON'S DOMESTIC SCIENCE KITCHEN has long been favorably known to Harrisburgers as a delightful place to dine. That certain quiet atmosphere, so restful and pleasant, is instantly noticed here. That, together with the service and the obvious fact that everything served here is the best the market affords makes this a restaurant that justly deserves your patronage and one in which you will be glad to have your friends dine with you.

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Farm Show underwater, before the Large Arena was constructed, from flooding from Paxton Creek in March 1936.

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In the early 1930s, Farm Show Cafeteria was open to business. Reproduced from Harrisburg Telegraph.

Oregon Ag Director Says Grange Plays Key Role In Rural America

PORTLAND, Ore. — In an address at the National Grange's 136th Annual Convention's "Salute to Agriculture" breakfast, Oregon Department of Agriculture Director Phillip C. Ward said that "despite a bumpy ride," the future of agriculture looks bright.

Ward, a former vocational agriculture teacher and director since 1999, outlined a number of challenges facing the agriculture industry over the next few years and told National Grange members they will continue to play a key role in agriculture and rural America.

"We can't control many of the challenges facing agriculture," Ward said. "But, we can anticipate new markets and changes in consumer preference."

Ward noted that cost and expense of producing crops are at an all time high and that net farm income is the lowest since 1983. He also warned that increasing environmental requirements and laws could continue to increase cost to farmers and ranchers and that competition for land and water space will escalate in more populated areas.

He urged farmers to be creative, find new ways to use by-products, find special things to produce and let people know how to differentiate their products from other similar products.

"We in the United States are tremendous producers, but we are not good marketers," Ward concluded. "We need to be alert to new markets for our products both in this country and as exports."

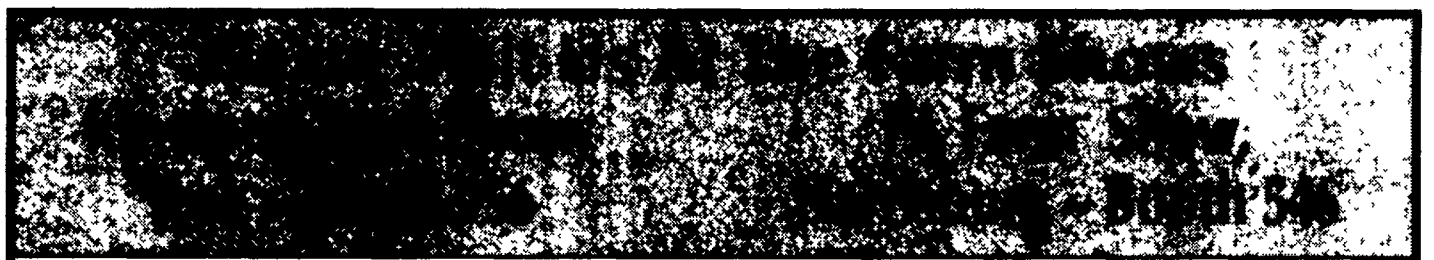
National Grange President Kermit W. Richardson said in his annual keynote address that the Grange remains a highly influential advocacy leader for rural America today, as it did when it was founded in 1867.

The Grange's legislative effectiveness on issues such as the 2002 Farm Bill, tax reform, Medicare prescription drug benefits for senior and issues on telecommunications shows the Grange, the oldest grassroots advocacy organization in the nation, is still the grassroots organization rural Americans are joining.

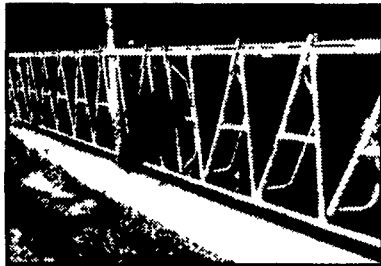
While Richardson and the National Grange supported the passage of the 2002 Farm Bill, the Grange leader also noted it fails to address problems facing family farmers and ranchers.

"The farm bill will provide financial assistance for many farmers in dire need, but it will also continue to facilitate the consolidation of farm production assets into the hands of fewer and fewer individuals and families," Richardson said.

"The National Grange is much more than an advocacy group," Richardson reminded the delegates in his address carried live on radio station KBNP, "it is also a community organization where individuals and families can participate in community service activities and development personal and professional leadership skills."



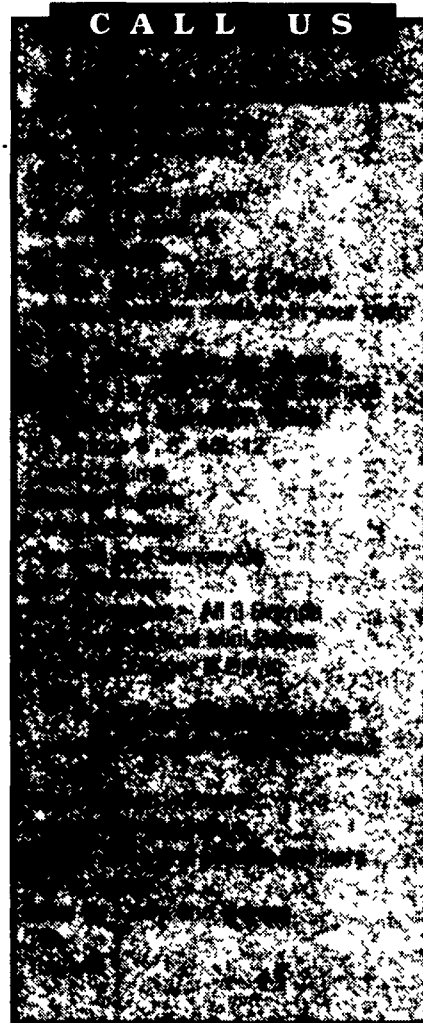
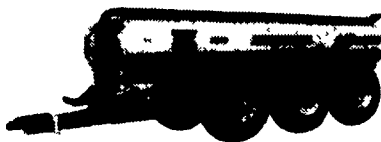
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