

Local People To Attend Taylor Farm Forum Jan. 6

Two carloads of interested Adams county people will attend an unprecedented event in Indiana agriculture. A unique Farm Forum, will be staged at Taylor University, January 6, Wednesday at 8 p.m., CDT. Four of Indiana's top agricultural leaders will discuss "The Farmer's Dilemma: Surplus and Security." The Honorable Harold W. Handley, Governor, and other state dignitaries will be present.

Headlining the program will be Dr. Earl L. Butz, Dean of the School of Agriculture, Purdue University; John C. Raber, president, Indiana Farmers Union; George Doup, president, Indiana Farm Bureau; and Robert J. Giltner, Master, Indiana State Grange. This is probably the first time that these men are appearing together on the same program.

W. Wayne Townsend, state representative from Grant and Blackford counties and a member of the Agricultural Committee of the House of Representatives, will be the moderator. Special guest also participating in the program will be Jay Gould, noted Farm Director of WOWO Radio, Fort Wayne.

Because of the interest which has been shown, the site of the meeting has been changed from the 600 seat Shreiner Auditorium to Maytag Gymnasium which accommodates approximately 2,500. A capacity crowd is expected.

The forum, which will be open to the public, is expected to draw Farm Bureau delegations from all counties in the eastern half of Indiana, Grange and Farmers Union members, state officers of the three organizations, bank presidents, Production Credit field men, Federal Land Bank officers, representatives of the press, radio and television, Taylor officials, farmers from surrounding counties and others.

At the beginning of the program, the audience will be introduced to Taylor's new president, Dr. B. Joseph Martin, who takes office on January 1st. Dr. Martin was formerly president of Wesleyan College, Macon, Georgia.

Dr. Butz will kick-off the program, giving a short statement of the background and present status of the farm problem. This will be followed by presentations from the members of the Forum panel who represent the three major farm organizations. After the presentation of each panel member, the other panelists will examine and discuss the position and proposals of the respective farm organizations.

At the conclusion of the Forum discussion, the audience will be given opportunity to submit written questions to Townsend and Gould, who will present them to the panel for discussion.

Jay Gould will conclude the evening with a summary statement of the discussions and the outlook in agriculture for the future.

Dr. Butz became a member of the Purdue faculty in 1937 and nine years later was named Head of the Agriculture Economics Department. In 1954 he was appointed Assistant Secretary of Agriculture in Washington, D. C. and a member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation.

He held these posts until 1957 when he was named to his present position at the university.

Dr. Butz is the author of "The Production Credit System for Farmers and Price Fixing for"

Food Stuffs." He has traveled in 25 countries, studying food and agricultural conditions.

John Raber, now serving his fifth term as president of the Indiana Farmers Union, has one of the most highly mechanized farms in the state. Located near Bristol in Elkhart County, the 750 acre farm produces one million pounds of broilers per year.

Raber is a member of the 1960 Farm Census Committee and is a National Farmers Union representative on the Farmers and World Affairs Committee.

He was elected first President of the Broiler Growers of Indiana and in 1953 was elected Organizing Chairman of the Indiana Farmers Union. He was named state president at the charter convention in 1954.

Last year Raber visited Russia with a group of Hoosier farmers who took an extensive tour covering 2,000 miles in the Soviet Union.

George Doup, president of the Indiana Farm Bureau since 1957, resides on a Bartholomew County farm, northeast of Columbus.

For 17 years he was an employee of the Farmers Marketing Association, a Columbus affiliate of the Farm Bureau.

He was elected 8th District Farm Bureau Director in the fall of 1945 and in 1951 became Director of the Livestock Department of the Indiana Farm Bureau.

The following year he was named vice president of the organization and at the 1952 convention was re-elected to a two-year term. He continued to head the Livestock Department until 1956.

Four years ago Doup helped organize the Farmer-Retailer Committee, composed of representatives from industries and businesses interested in the protection of food. He has been chairman of the committee since its inception.

Robert Giltner, Master, Indiana State Grange, is a grain farmer on 635 acres in Tippecanoe County, near Lafayette.

He is serving on Governor Handley's Commission on Flood Control and Water Resources, is Chairman of the National Grange Transportation Committee and is a member of both the State Farm Safety Council and the Board of Directors of Blue Shield.

He has been Chairman of the Selective Service Board of Tippecanoe County for the past 9 years and was secretary of the Indiana State Grange for 14 years.

Wayne Townsend, State Representative, serves on 6 committees of the House of Representatives, including the Agricultural Committee.

He was graduated from the University of Purdue School of Agriculture in 1951 and took graduate work in Political Science at Georgetown University in 1955-56.

For two years during 1954-56, Townsend served as military Special Agent for the Army Counter Intelligence Corps.

Jay Gould, one of the leading agricultural broadcasters in the country, has been a well known source of information to thousands of farmers in the tri-state area for the past 15 years.

His associations with scores of county extension agents, agricultural leaders, scientists and midwestern universities and experimental stations, keep him in constant touch with the latest progress and general trends. Through the years he has become a recognized clearing house for this information to the people of one of the leading general farming areas in the United States.

In addition to his 21 hours of broadcasting each week, Mr. Gould is much in demand as a speaker for civic and farm groups, conservation organizations, women's clubs, student bodies and 4-H clubs.

The evening festivities will get underway with a dinner at 6 p.m. for state officials, the Forum leaders, press, radio and TV personalities and other officials. All persons interested in the farm problem are invited to attend the evening program.

Adams And Wells Counties Plan Chicago Trip

The Extension Service of Adams and Wells counties are planning a two-day market study at Chicago, according to Leo N. Seltenright, county agricultural agent. The date is January 11 and 12. It will be an interesting educational two-day trip.

Purdue agricultural economist Paul Mitchell will spend one day with the group in the livestock market and agricultural economist Bill Farris will spend the other day with the group in the grain market. This is the tour schedule:

January 11—Grain Day
9:00 a. m.—Assemble visitors gallery—Board of Trade
9:45 a. m.—Opening of trading on futures market
9:45 a. m.—Illustrated lecture of operation of grain market

10:15 a. m.—Tour of trading pits, cash market, etc.
10:45 a. m.—Grain grading and inspection department
11:25 a. m.—Leave Board of Trade for Board of Federal Reserve Bank
Complimentary lunch at Bank

2:00 p. m.—Leave by bus for Illinois Grain Corp. Elevators and Calumet Dock facilities at 128th and Dofy streets
5:00 p. m.—Tour of Chicago Post Office
6:30 p. m.—To hotel for clean-up and meal

8:00 p. m.—Show in Chicago.
January 12—Livestock Market Day
7:00 a. m.—Leave hotel for stockyards
7:30 a. m.—Assemble in lobby of Exchange Building
7:45 a. m.—Top of building view of stockyards and packer town

8:30 a. m.—Visit hog market for trading, pricing, grading, etc.
9:30 a. m.—Visit cattle market for trading, pricing, grading, etc.
10:30 a. m.—Conference with Stock Yards officials
11:15 a. m.—Visit feeder cattle division

12:15 a. m.—Visit Swift & Company—observe a cattle slaughter, carcass grade demonstration, complimentary lunch, discussion
3:00 p. m.—Municipal Airport
3:45 p. m.—Maxwell Street Ghetto Market
4:30 p. m.—Tour of Marshall Field Store

Transportation will be by charter bus. The maximum number for the trip is 40, so this means about 20 from each county. The cost will be a minimum of about \$15 to \$20. The maximum is what the individual makes it. Reservations will be made at the Atlantic Hotel. The bus will leave Decatur at 4:00 a. m. on January 11. Anyone interested in going in the group should contact the county extension office.

ACP Sign-Up Begins January 4
The initial sign-up for the 1960 Agricultural Conservation Program will begin on January 4, and continue through January 29, 1960. Mr. James Garboden, chairman of the Adams ASC county committee reported today.

Farmers interested in receiving federal assistance in completing practices for soil building and for protection against wind and water erosion should apply at the Adams County ASC office during this period, he said. All bona fide farmers in the county are eligible to participate in the program and will be approved for financial assistance based on their individual needs and the amount of federal funds available in the county. Mr. Garboden stated.

Mr. Garboden urged all farmers who are interested in the Agricultural Conservation Program to visit the Adams ASC county office located at 130 1/2 North Second street, Decatur, Ind. It is important for Adams county farmers to plan their conservation needs early, he said. Funds will be allocated and guaranteed to the extent possible on all requests and for as long as funds remain available. Adams county received an allocation for ASP purposes in the amount of \$64,762 to be distributed to farmers on the basis of their requests. It will be well to "come early and avoid the rush," Mr. Garboden stated.

4-H Honors Bring Chicago Trip

Four young Hoosiers—state champions all—were delegates to the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago the first week in Dec. The announcement comes from the State Extension office.

Swine Breeder
Larry Liville, 19, of Shelbyville, received the trip award from the Mooreman Mfg. Co. for his excellent record in the swine program.

Liville got his first Poland China gilt in 1953, the year he joined 4-H, and won the state fair championship with her. He has raised a total of 364 haw from the original gilt. Every year since 1953 he has shown the grand champion barrow at the Shelby County Fair.

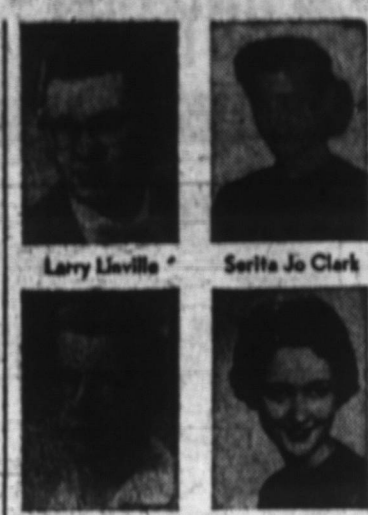
Liville is junior leader of the Hanover Boys 4-H Club. A graduate of Morristown High School, he recently attended the eight-week short course at Purdue University.

Health Leader
As health officer of the La Grange county junior leader organization, Sertia Jo Clark has had ample opportunity to pursue her favorite project. The 16-year-old Howe 4-H'er rounded out her state championship year with her talk, "Health: The Key to Happiness."

In 1958, she won the county honor health pin provided by Eli Lilly & Co., and this year the Chicago trip.

Miss Clark began her health project in 1954, the year she became health and safety leader of her club. She is now junior leader of the Lima W. B. X. L. 4-H Club, and a junior at Lima Township High School.

Seef King
Larry Malone, 20, of Rockville has been devoted to the raising of fine Herefords since joining 4-H 10 years ago. He has shown at the Parks County Fair for nine years, winning either first or second place each year. His herd totals 10 steers, 15 heifers and four cows.



Larry Liville Sertia Jo Clark
Larry Malone LeAnn Shafer

In 1954, he exhibited both grand champion steer and grand champion barrow. The following year, he was named honor showman at the state fair.

Young Malone attended the club congress courtesy of E. I. du Pont de Nemours. President of the Penn Township Plow Boys 4-H Club and a graduate of Bloomington High School, Malone is now a full-time farmer.

Honors As Usual
Although she never before attended the national congress, 4-H honors are nothing new to clothing winner LeAnn Shafer. The 18-year-old Lucerne girl has received 55 awards in clothing alone, and many more in other home economics projects to which she has devoted her 10 4-H years.

Since beginning to sew, she has made 112 garments, and has given 24 sewing demonstrations. A junior leader of the Harrison Huddell Home Ec. and Ag. 4-H Club she also is a member of the Cass county council.

The Purdue University sophomore hopes for a career in clothing and textiles.

Costs & Clark presented her prize trip to Chicago.

Annual Conservation Meeting Scheduled For January 19th

County Agents Corner

by Leo N. Seltenright
Ag Opportunity Day Successful

Ag Opportunity Day at Purdue University on Tuesday was quite successful with about 2,000 in attendance. Adams county had 23 in the group that heard Purdue President Hovde, Dr. Andrews and Dean D. Pfendler give information in college work and life. The large group was divided into many small groups lead by Purdue staff members. The staff members discussed the college program and showed those in attendance the residence halls and co-recreational gymnasium. The group attended the basketball game to climax the day. Congratulations to Paul Kohne and others of the Purdue Ag Alumni organization for making this trip possible and successful.

4-H Achievement Programs
The 4-H achievement programs for 1959 were completed with the Wabash township meeting last Monday evening. A successful series of meetings were held. Mr. and Mrs. Sylvan Bauman were re-elected as township extension committee representatives for Wabash township.

Crop Production in 1959
The agriculture statisticians of the reports that total crop production of 1959 matches the all-time high of 1958. Harvested acreage was slightly higher but yields were not as uniformly high as last year. The crop season was well above average for the nation as a whole in spite of serious difficulties in some sections.

Farm Income in 1960
You can boost farm income in 1960 by using these ideas as your guides. 1. Shoot for the highest net income per acre. 2. Make full use of equipment. 3. Follow price trends—sell at peaks. 4. Cull your livestock. 5. Keep busy—manage your time in ways that boost hourly return and 6. Cut costs wherever you can.

January Check List
Some January items that need attention are check through last year's farm records; use them to make plans for 1960. Get an early start on income tax; prepare estimate now or file before February 15. Plan credit needs for the year. Make an income budget to show lender how payments can be made. Check machinery and order needed parts.

Farmers Forum
The Farmers Forum at Taylor University has generated a lot of interest. I understand quite a number are planning to attend next Wednesday evening, January 6 at 8 p.m. Jay Gould will be toastmaster for the program.

Chicago Marketing Tour
Reservations are coming in for the Chicago Marketing tour. It is scheduled for January 11 and 12. This will be a real opportunity to see and understand grain and livestock marketing.

Light Traps Catch More Insects
Many injurious insects are attracted to ultraviolet light and can be trapped and destroyed before they lay their eggs and before they damage crops. Purdue entomologist H. O. Deay and agricultural engineer J. G. Hartsock, after several years' research on the relative attractiveness of various lights, have found this better, safer way to control insects.

Traps Protect Garden Crops
Preliminary work to control garden insects with light traps began at Purdue in 1958. Three different 15-watt fluorescent light traps were used in the experiments. One was equipped with a single black light lamp, another with a black and a green light and the third used three black lights. Research workers found that the three 15-watt black light trap protected corn, potatoes, tomatoes and cucumbers from insect damage in 50x60 foot garden plots.

The black light traps effectively controlled striped and spotted cucumber beetles, the two most serious insect pests of cucumbers. Traps also prevented bacterial and pumpkin, since this disease is transmitted only by these beetles.

Other insects which seemed to be adequately controlled in the Purdue tests included corn earworm, European corn borer, the potato leafhopper and tomato and tobacco hornworms.

Advantages of Light Traps
Purdue experiments to control garden insects are running again this year. If light traps prove successful they will offer many advantages for insect control in the home vegetable garden.

Electric traps work automatically once they are installed. Therefore, no strict time schedules for application of controls are needed. With insecticides, control schedules are dictated by the weather, the time the insects appear and the development stage of the crop to be protected.

Light traps can be used when the soil is wet, a condition which limits the use of many other insect controls.

Probably most important, traps leave no poisonous residues on the plants, they are not injurious to wildlife, and strains of insects resistant to chemicals will not develop.

Plenty of good legume hay for the ewe flock during the winter is good insurance for a strong crop of lambs next spring, remind Purdue University animal scientists.

The annual report meeting of the Adams county soil conservation supervisors will be conducted at Pleasant Mills high school on Jan. 19 with a dinner, presentation of awards, and a top notch humorous speaker as highlights of the program.

The district board of supervisors met last week making final preparations for the event. Because the supervisors are actually a legal subdivision of local government, they are required to meet at least once a year to make public a report of the past year's activities.

The 5-man board controls the soil conservation district, setting up the plans and schedules with the Soil Conservation Service technician and his staff merely "loaned" by the Department of Agriculture to assist them in their projects. The SCS has no official voice in matters of policy.

The board members, well known around the country for their energetic soil work, are: Herman Bulmahn, chairman; Rich Scheumann, vice chairman; Ben Mazelin, secretary-treasurer; and Ben Grke and Ivan Huser, members.

Tickets for the banquet and program, which are \$1.50, may be purchased from the county agent's office, the soil conservation office, or any of the supervisors.

The program will be:
Invocation — Rev. F. H. Hagen
Sparks
Dinner — Ladies of P.M. Methodist Church
Welcome — Herman Bulmahn
Awards — Rich Scheumann
Election of Supervisor
M. C. — Gerald (Doc) Vizard
Introduction of Guests — M. C. Entertainment — P.M. Red Birds
Speaker — Clarence Ebling, Soil Line Philosopher.

The conservation pledge, which all members attending will be asked to take, is as follows:
I give my pledge as an American to save and faithfully to defend from waste, the natural resources of my country—its soil and minerals—its forests, waters, and wildlife.

Care Will Keep Poinsettia Blooming

First the leaves turn yellow, then they wilt. When they start falling off, brother, your poinsettia's sick, sick, sick.

If you were lucky enough to get a poinsettia for Christmas, here are some suggestions on how to keep it through the winter.

E. R. Honeywell, Purdue University floriculturist, says to keep the plant in the house where there is plenty of light and where the night temperature does not go below 60 degrees. Water it when the soil becomes dry, but do not let the soil become water-logged. Avoid sudden changes in temperatures which might be caused by drafts, open windows, gas ranges or fireplaces.

After flowering, the plant should be removed to a cellar or basement and set in a dry place. It should not freeze.

About the first of May cut old stems back to about four inches above the pot. Water the plant well and place it in a sunny window. After the growth is well started, set outdoors in a semi-shady location until about Sept. 1. Remove to house and place in a sunny window.

Farm animals often contract pneumonia following weather with extreme temperature variations. Purdue University veterinarians point out. Owners should watch for coughing, increased breathing rates or nasal discharges. They recommend calling a veterinarian before the disease becomes well established or spreads.

Indiana Uses Large Amounts Of Timber

INDIANAPOLIS (Special)—Saw timber standing in the forests of Indiana would make enough lumber to build a million two-bedroom wood homes.

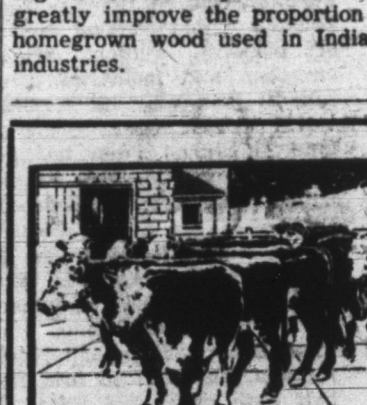
Sawtimber means trees large enough to make lumber. It doesn't include millions of cubic feet of smaller trees also growing wood for more than 5,000 items Hoosiers use every day.

According to a new booklet, "Indiana Forest Facts," the state's more than 4 million acres of commercial timberlands have more than 11.5 billion board feet of standing sawtimber.

The booklet, published by the Indiana Forest Industries Committee in cooperation with American Forest Products Industries, contains the latest information about the forests and forest industries of the state. It is being distributed to newspapers, radio and television stations, textbook authors and others in Indiana. Single copies may be had without cost by writing to Robert Mathers, Thiesing Veneer Co., 1501 West McCarty St., Indianapolis.

"Indiana is one of the foremost states in use of wood, there being only 11 states that use more lumber in manufacturing and only seven states use more fine hardwood veneer," the booklet says. "Only about 15 per cent of the wood used in Indiana industries is grown in the state, but in part, this is because locally grown wood cannot meet quality standards set by the industries."

The booklet adds, however, that Indiana wood land owners can adopt tree farming methods leading to forest improvement and greatly improve the proportion of homegrown wood used in Indiana industries.



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