

# Adams County Farmers' Corner

## ASCS Farm Notes

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SEPTEMBER 15 — STATE  
CHAIRMAN, LENARD C.  
POUND TO BE IN  
ADAMS COUNTY!

Lenard C. Pound, chairman of the Indiana ASC state committee, has consented to take time from his busy schedule, and come to Adams county to explain farm programs to Adams county citizens — all farmers, businessmen, in fact every citizen is invited to attend this meeting, which will be held at the Decatur Community Center Tuesday evening, September 15, and will begin at 8 o'clock.

You will be hearing more about this in future news columns — but we suggest that you mark your calendar now and plan to attend. We are sure you will be well rewarded.

### 1965 WHEAT DIVERSION PROGRAM:

The 1965 wheat diversion program is entirely voluntary. It is not automatic. Wheat producers can be eligible to receive certificate payments only by calling at the county office and signing an "intention to participate" before October 2, 1964.

Signing the forms does not obligate a producer in any way. He has the opportunity to change his mind at any time.

However, to be eligible to receive payments, his intention to participate in the program, cannot be changed after October 2, but he does have the opportunity to change it during the period of signup.

General steps for participation in qualifying for wheat price-support loans and for marketing certificates in 1965 are:

1. Sign up to take part in the program before October 2.

2. Have an acreage of wheat no larger than the farm, allotment or the farm signed up in the program, unless the storage under-bond or the substitution privilege is used.

3. Keep within the wheat allotment for any other farm in which you have an interest.

4. Add to the farm's conservation base, an acreage of cropland devoted to approved conservation uses equal to 11.1 per cent of the farm's wheat allotment.

5. Make a payment for diversion additional acreage for payment.

6. Meet other overall provisions of the program, such as preventing weed growth and not harvesting or grazing diverted acreage unless approved by the ASC county committee.

Producers who sign up and meet all provisions of the program will be eligible for price support loans at \$1.26 (estimated) for Adams county and certificate payments on the farm signed up in the program.

Intentions to participate may be signed during regular office hours, which are from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday of each week.

Anyone having a special prob-

lem of coming to the office during these hours is urged to call the county office and we will try to arrange to be at the office at a time convenient to the producer.

### 1965 WHEAT ALLOTMENT NOTICES:

Wheat growers, who will have an interest in the wheat crop on a farm in 1965, and did not receive a notice, is urged to call at the county office so that his name may be added to the list of wheat growers on his particular farm.

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Farmers, who earned payments under the 1964 feed grain program, will receive notice to call at the office to sign the application for their final payment, some time after September 1, 1964.

At the time the application is signed they will specify whether they desire to call at the office for their sight draft or they wish to have it mailed.

Previously, all payments have been mailed.

### MORE CCC GRAIN STORAGE BINS FOR SALE:

Twenty Commodity Credit Corporation grain storage bins will be offered for sale by auction at 10 A.M. September 9, 1964. The sale will be held at the U.S. government grain storage site, about three miles north of Warsaw on state road 15.

The structures are of 3,250 bushels capacity and are made of aluminum and steel.

Persons desiring to inspect the bins may do so by contacting the Kosciusko ASCS county office, 118½ West Main Street, Warsaw, Ind. (telephone 267-7445).

Persons interested in financing the purchase through the farm

storage facility loan program should determine their eligibility at the local ASCS office before attending the sale.

### FARM PROGRESS — 1961-1964:

Feed grain programs — since 1961 — have brought farm income up an average of one half billion dollars.

Saving to the taxpayer in reduction of surplus stocks in 1961-1963 will amount to one and one-half billion dollars.

Participation in the agricultural conservation program has reached about 2.2 million farms from 1960 to 1963. This is an average of 1.1 million farms each year, 1961-1963, compared with the 1 million farms participating in 1960.

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Monday, August 31, 1964 is the final date to file a request for an adjustment in the wheat allotment, wheat yield or conserving base on a farm for which a wheat allotment was established.

Small farms benefit from price support loans, for example in 1962, 48 per cent of the soybean loans, 39 per cent of the wheat loans and 45 per cent of the corn loans were made for less than \$1,500.

The farm situation is improving due to reliance on ASC committee members for local administration of national farm programs.

During the 1964 fiscal year that ended June 30, 1964, agricultural exports reached an all time high of over six million dollar value compared to \$4.6 billion in 1959.

### PROBLEMS ARISING FROM USE OF PESTICIDES:

The United States department of agriculture is confronted with problems resulting from the use of pesticides. Incidents such as the Mississippi river fish kill may occur again. Prompt reporting of information concerning pesticide problems is essential.

The agriculture research service has responsibility for keeping the secretary of agriculture informed on these matters.

Anyone having problems as a result of the use of pesticides should report such problems to their local, state or federal agencies.

### THE THREE MARKETS OF LATIN AMERICA:

Some 68 million people in the 20 Latin American republics can afford to buy food regularly in the commercial market places.

United States farmers can look for salts south of the border to jump significantly by 1975 as this group swells to over 100 million people.

### Market No. 1 RURAL MIDDLE CLASS AND WELL TO DO:

With better farming methods and crop yields, some rural poor will earn enough to move into the market economy. The rural commercial market will expand too, as more people work in crafts and service enterprises in rural villages.

### Market No. 2 URBAN MIDDLE CLASS:

With more jobs in an expanding economy, some urban poor will escape their shanty town life, becoming part of an estimated 27 million increase in the middle class population. Less affluent than ours, Latin America's middle class is the best bet for expanding sales of United States farm products. Part of this market too, are live-in servants who eat from their employer's pantry.

### Market No. 3 URBAN WELL-TO-DO:

The very wealthy in Latin America are the very few. But foreign resident, including diplomats, offer United States exporters a market that's expected to grow by seven million people.

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