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Urges Farmers To Keep Pace

Davis County farmers were warned Tuesday night that they must keep pace with the fantastic growth in education.

Bob Nance, farm service director of WMT radio and television in Cedar Rapids, told those attending the Davis County Soil Conservation Banquet that all persons must read and learn with the youngsters if they are to keep pace with education.

He said education was the only hope in human survival against the machine. Nance explained that a human's physical output is about the same as a 50-watt lightbulb. This is equal to about a 1 cent per hour output, he said.

"Education is making people obsolete," Nance declared.

NANCE SAID that all of us need the farmer to produce our food and fiber and noted that the farmer was extremely important to the city businessman as a consumer.

He also predicted that mechanical advances would make farming an interesting business in 1975.

The newscaster criticized housewives who were boycotting super markets as a means of demonstrating against high food prices. They should be boycotting Congress as it is high federal spending that has made food prices high, he said. Food prices have gone up, he said, but not nearly as fast as other things.

The cooperators in the district elected Charles Chickering to a commissioner post. Chickering, who received 23 votes, will replace Harold Baughman. Baughman received 14 votes and Kendall Johnson received nine

votes.

COMMISSIONER Sam Botts Jr. presented special district conservation awards to Raymond Townsend, Orlo Brake and son, and Glenn Smith.

Townsend farms a 622 acre grain and livestock farm. His conservation practices include 60 acres of terracing, one farm pond, five erosion control structures, 7,000 feet of diversions, 9,500 feet of terraces, 3.5 acres of grass waterways and 50 acres of pasture renovation.

Brake and his son, Dee, operate a 358 acre livestock farm on which they have 65 acres of contouring, 20 acres of strip cropping, 30 acres of pasture renovation, 8,600 feet of terraces, 4,000 feet of diversions, 4 ponds, 2,700 feet of drainage ditches and 3.5 acres of grass waterways.

Smith has a 140 acre grain and livestock operation. His conservation practices include 35 acres of contouring, 2,500 feet of diversion, 7,100 feet of terraces, one farm pond, one erosion control structure, 35 acres of pasture renovation and 2.5 acres of grass waterways.

Dwight White and William L. Sloan were presented plaques for winning the 1966 Davis County Soil Conservation District Contest. The plaques were presented to the two by the Bloomfield Newspapers.

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