J. D. Anderson

J. D. Anderson, born in a Monongalia County farm, lived and worked all 82 years of his life on a farm. But his influence in farm credit matters was felt nationwide and his contributors to his community were widely acknowledged.

A dairy farmer for over 50 years, Mr. Anderson had the first mechanical milking equipment in northern West Virginia and was co-founder of the Sanitary Milk and Ice Cream Company in Morgantown. He was the leader in the West Virginia dairy industry for many years. He operated an apple orchard for 20 years and for ten years of his active farming career had a purebred Hereford herd.

Mr. Anderson, as a part of his great interest in providing adequate farm credit, also served as a member of the Monongalia County Farmers Home Administration Committee and also served for several years as Chairman of the State Farmers Home Administration Committee.

His community activities were numerous, but one of his great concerns was health care and he severed as a member of the Board of Directors of the Monongalia County General Hospital for almost 40 years. He served as President of the Board in 1975. He also was active in the United Fund, serving as a fund-drive chairman one year, and in the Red Cross, where he also headed the fund drive for one year.

He was a director of the Monongalia County Farm Bureau.