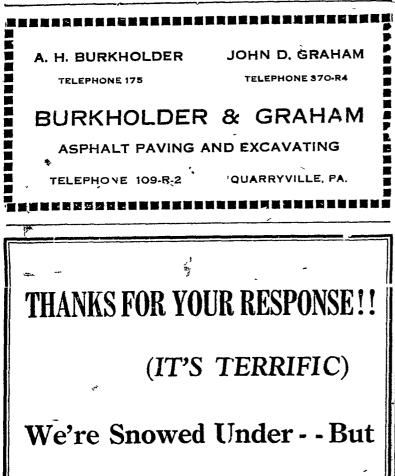
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SHEAR PLEASURE—Nick Luhman, 19, left, of Goodhue, Minn., is the new National 4-H Club sheep-shearing champion. His sheepwas shorn in 4 minutes, 46 seconds during competition at the, recent International Livestock Exposition, Chicago, Ill. At right, Darrell Stoops, Sharpsville, Ind., clipped off top honors in the professional division in 1 minute, 48 seconds.



## Lancaster County Still Holds High Spot in Ag Scene

Compared to Commonwealth averages, Lancaster County, still maintains a high position in state —as well as national — agriculture

Here are some comparisons, drawn from state and federal agricultural census reports. For the State, half of the farm homes have television sets. In Lancaster County, about 33 per cent are equipped

Where 86 per cent of Common wealth farm homes have piped unning water, a little more than 38 per cent of Lancaster County farm homes arc so equipped. Both the State and County hold the 70 per cent figure in the number of farm homes having telephones

1.1 Auto Per Farm Here Although 86 per cent of Lancaster County farm homes have electric service, the Commonwealth average is 95 per cent Pennsylvania averages "at least one auto" per farm, while Lancaster County figures about 1.1. But where the state figures 36 trucks per 100 farm homes, Lancaster County has 3,760, or more than 50 per 100 farms.

Differences are wider in the number of tractors on farms For the state as a whole, about 89 tractors are found on each 100 farms, but the figure in Lancaster County 15 nearly 150 tractors for each 100 farms, or figutatively, 15 for each farm here Lancaster County is almost two times ahead of state averages in number of grain combines Penrsylyania figures 10 per 100 farms, while Lancaster County's figures are almost 20 per 100 faims

Grassland Farming Up Grassland farming too is showing up in census reports on hay balers Where the Commonwealth figure per 100 farms is eight balers, Lancaster County has 1,757on 7,951 farms, or 20-plus for each 100 farms.

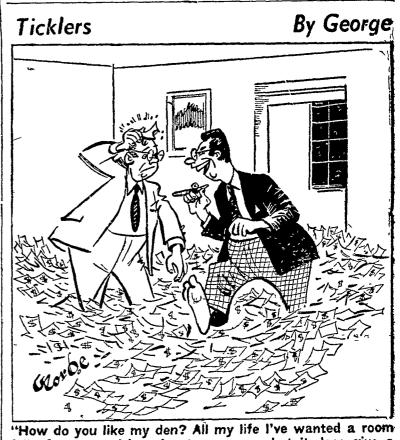
Lancaster County runs slightly above State averages too on rumbers of milking machines. The state figure is 31 per 100 farms, the County total about one-third, or 33-plus per 100 faims

As they say, the proof of the pudding is in the eating, the clinching figure comes in the fact that Lancaster County farms average but 62. 7 acres, against a statewide 96-acre average. While the statewide average value on all field and fruit crops was \$2,369, Lancaster County's figure was \$4,325. The state figure for livestock, chickens, milk, eggs, wool and honey figured out to \$2,982 per farm, against \$3,496



IT'S A SMALL WORLD—Soviet comrades Khrushchev, left, and Bulganin, right, meet a Rhode Island "Red" rooster in far-off India.-Russia's party chief and her premier were visiting a stateoperated farm at Bareilly, one of many stops on their Indian itinerary. The pair laid several king-size eggs, diplomatically speaking, with frequent and bitter attacks on England and other NATO powers when speaking.

The United States has agreed to extend about \$20 million in assistance to Pakistan for the construction of air bases, port facilities and highways Israel has asked the United States to sell her 40 or 50 late-model jet aircraft as well as anti - submarine vessels, heavy tanks and other heavy armament.



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