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Q. In March of 1954 I had an aluminum storm door installed. The entire thing was guaranteed for five years and I have a signed contract from the contractor. The door has never been satisfactory. The man finally came to look at the door and did something to the doorknob and lock and told me I needed a whole new unit, he promised to come back the following week. This was six months ago and I have not heard from him since. He kept the key chain which had a key to our door, in

addition to the storm door. I have called the office repeatedly to no avail. Several neighbors who had the same work done have had the same experience. I pay monthly installments and informed the bank but have had no reply from them either. What can I do? E. S. A.

To precisely define your rights, it would be necessary to examine the documents executed in connection with the transaction. Assuming that the contract you mention was separate and apart from the negotiable instrument held by the bank, as is usually the case in transactions of this kind, your proper action would be a suit in assumption against the contractor for breach of his contractual warranty. If the door is wholly unsatisfactory, your measure of damages would be the contract price of the door, since you have promptly notified the contractor of its defective condition. Assuming that the note was negotiated to the bank so that it became a holder in due course, you would be required to continue the payments on the note in accordance with its terms. You should take the pertinent papers to your attorney for proper action. He can then, also, take the necessary step to insure the return of your keys.

Q. I had my car repaired by a mechanic recommended by a neighbor. The bill was \$36, and because I didn't have the ready cash the neighbor suggested I give the garageman my title to hold as security. The man had me sign a form which I learned several weeks later was an encumbrance on the car.

Now I understand that the neighbor has paid the man \$20 of my bill and the title has been transferred to my neighbor's name. The neighbor tells me I must pay the garage bill to him plus several dollars interest. I refuse to do this because I want to deal solely with the garageman, but the garageman says he will accept money only as an agent for the neighbor. Is he within his rights? R. L.

A. Without knowing just what was on the "form" that you signed—and you should have known, and kept a copy—a direct answer to your problem is difficult. If, as you say, you signed an "encumbrance," the garage man could not have transferred the title to your neighbor until after he had taken the proper action against you, and you would have notice of this.

If the "encumbrance" was originally given to the garage man you should deal with him until he gives you notice of a valid assignment of this claim to your neighbor, and also evidence of his authority to act as your neighbor's agent.

Nationalist China has announced its determined opposition to the Canadian proposal to admit five Communist states among eighteen new members in the United Nations.

FFA Honors 2 From County At Farm Show

Two Lancaster County educators were among 43 farmers, soil conservationists, businessmen, newspapermen, radio reporters and schoolmen named "Honorary Keystone Farmers" with degrees presented Wednesday at the Future Farmers of American statewide convention in Harrisburg.

Honored from Lancaster County were Dr. D. L. Biemesderfer, president, Millersville State Teachers College, and George Myers, Lampeter - Strasburg Union High School vocational agriculture instructor.

Presiding over the session was State President Robert Welk.

Promoting, Aiding Education

Degrees were presented in appreciation of outstanding activity in promoting agriculture and aiding agricultural education. The degrees were conferred Wednesday during the FFA's Statewide meeting here, according to H. C. Fetterolf, State FFA adviser and chief of agricultural education in the Department of Public Instruction, who certified the names of the honorary degree recipients to the State Farm Show Commission.

The list of "Honorary Keystone Farmers" includes three practicing farmers: Carter Andrew, Nineveh, Greene County; Clarence E. Reed, Slippery Rock, Butler County; and Forest Deppen, Millersburg, RD, Dauphin County. Each of them not only has an outstanding herd of dairy or beef cattle but also has made his herd available to FFA boys for training in livestock judging.

Awards To Businessmen

Awards to businessmen include William Mountain, cashier, Everett Bank, Everett, for offering cash awards in FFA contests and encouraging loans to enable FFA boys to finance farm projects; J. L. Tressler, Latrobe, manager of dairy at St. Vincent's College, for making his herd and dairy available to FFA boys for training; Kenneth Rexford, manager, G. L. F. branch at Coudersport, for cooperation with FFA chapters in Potter and McKean counties; James Lyle, Oxford, for permitting FFA boys to gain knowledge of farm mechanics by repairing old equipment and assembling new equipment; and Ernos Heisey, manager, Farm Bureau Cooperative at Lebanon for making his assembly room available for FFA meetings and offering prizes in certain crop contests.

Others scheduled for the degree were:

131. Soil Conservationists—Howard Baush, regional soil conservation director, West Chester; Ralph Hunter, assistant State soil conservationist, Clarion

131. Newspapermen—Fred Owens, reporter, Patton Union Courier-Press; Milton R. Barnett, general manager, Everett Press; G. Henry Roth, reporter, Gettysburg Times; Carl H. Sump, reporter, Williamsport Sun-Gazette; Eugene T. Shore, editor, Huntingdon Daily News; Theodore Richardson, farm editor, Sharon Herald.

131. Radio Reporters—John A. Smith, announcer and reporter, WCMB, Harrisburg; Michael Kane, program director, WKOK, Sunbury.

Schoolmen: Dr. D. L. Biemesderfer, H. Edgar Riegle, county superintendent of schools, Gettysburg; J. Paul Burkert, county superintendent, Carlisle; Beaver S. Faust, county superintendent, Mifflintown; Clifford Jenkins, county superintendent, Sunbury; L. J. Fink, county superintendent, Harrisburg; Earl K. Stock, assistant county superintendent, Bellefonte; William McCreary, supervising principal, Marion Center; Samuel F. Metz, supervising principal, Cocolamus; John T. Rowlands, supervising principal, Shinglehouse; C. F. Updegrave, principal, Mifflintown; Carl W. Johnson, principal, Smethport.

Vocational Agriculture Teachers—William McMahon, Woodbury Joint HS, Woodbury, Bedford County; Robert Eckrote, Mifflin

Tobacco Growers Approve Marketing Quotas; Pennsylvanians Vote "No"

WASHINGTON, (USDA) — Growers of Burley, Virginia sun-cured, and Maryland tobaccos approved marketing quotas for their 1956, 1957, and 1958 tobacco crops in referenda Dec. 29, according to preliminary results received by the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Growers of Pennsylvania cigar-filler tobacco disapproved marketing quotas in a referendum on the same date. Approval by at least two-thirds of the growers voting is required before marketing quotas can be placed in effect.

The vote by Pennsylvania cigar-filler tobacco growers marked the third successive year since 1952 in which they have voted disapproval of quotas. Therefore, as provided by law, there will not be another referendum on this kind of tobacco for a 3-year period, regardless of the supply situation, unless at least 25 per cent of the growers petition the Secretary of Agriculture to hold a referendum. In the preliminary tabulation of 1880 votes, 210 or 11.2 per cent approved quotas and 88.8 per cent disapproved.

Maryland tobacco growers approved quotas with 5,539, or 80.7 per cent, of the total of 6,864 votes in favor. Producers of Virginia sun-cured tobacco approved quotas with 1,379, or 98.1 per cent, of the total of 1,405 voting "for" quotas. Preliminary results, by States, of the Burley referendum are as follows:

	Yes Votes	Total Votes	Percent in favor
Indiana	4,451	4,602	96.7
Kentucky	117,792	122,105	96.5
Missouri	547	582	94.0
North Carolina	10,168	10,618	95.8
Ohio	3,670	3,969	92.5
Tennessee	34,567	37,906	91.2
Virginia	7,804	8,240	94.7
West Virginia	1,223	1,271	96.2
Total	180,222	189,293	95.5

Keystone Turkey Brings \$784 in National Show

CHICAGO — Fred Jaindl's 15-lb, 11 oz turkey, champion in the National Turkey Federation Convention dressed turkey show, sold for \$50 per pound, to bring the Allentown, Pa., breeder a total of \$784.

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Township HS, Mifflinville, Columbia County; Edward Litwiler, Danville Area Joint HS, Montour County; Robert Hopkins, Newton-Ransom HS, Clark Summit, Lackawanna County; Charles A. Darrah, Meyersdale Joint HS, Somerset County; Harry Ernst, Mahanoy Joint HS, Dalmatia, Northumberland County; Charles Drawbaugh, Dover Joint HS, York County; George Myers of Lampeter-Strasburg, Lloyd S. Smith, Mercer Joint HS, Mercer County; Oscar Kimmel, Central Dauphin Joint HS, Harrisburg, RD, Dauphin County; Carl O. Nordberg, Fairview Joint HS, Erie County; William Silkman, Bellefonte Area Joint HS, and Marcus Herrold, Bald Eagle Area Joint HS, Howard, both of Centre County.

bronze was Dr. John G. Salisbury of Charles City, Iowa.

Five thousand breeders from all over the nation convened at Hotel Conrad Hilton, in the eighth convention of the \$350-million industry last week. More than 200 frozen and dressed turkeys were entered in competition.

Last year's top price was \$45 a pound or \$1,068 for the 23-lb, 12-oz entry of Mr. Jaindl. In 1953 the junior division champion set a record of \$95 per pound.

High Pentagon officials believe that the Defense Department budget for fiscal 1957 will exceed by \$50 million the economy goal of Defense Secretary Wilson.

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