



Holstein cows highlight this spring scene in Lancaster Farming photographed on the William P. Johnson farm, R1 Manheim. Working the farm, which has one of Lancaster County's many covered bridges spanning the creek, is John Becker.

Temperatures Jump; Growth

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There was little change last week with temperatures forecast at two to four degrees below normal.

Crop growth was slow the preceding week, including pastures which are greening to the extent that a few farmers are grazing cattle for a few hours a day. Except in low areas, most fields in the central, southern and southeastern sections were dry enough for plowing.

Rainfall Below Normal

Rainfall last week averaged slightly below normal, the Department said. In northern and mountainous areas snow ranged up to nine inches. Temperatures were generally well below normal most of the week.

Some corn ground is being prepared in southern and eastern counties. Winter wheat and barley generally look good but growth is slow. Some oats were seeded in the south and east. Other areas are waiting for better weather.

Fruit buds need several days of warm weather to develop. There were a few reports of peach trees in bloom. Spraying of fruit trees is general. Strawberry plants are doing well.

Planting of peas and cabbage for processing is increasing in central and southeastern vegetable areas. Cobbler potatoes were being planted in higher fields. There were a few reports of planting sweet corn for processing.

New Engraving Machine Added

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the Scan-A-Graver, mounted on a wooden base, and was placed in the newspaper forms — just 20 minutes after being taken.

Half-tone engraving, such as the one in this article showing the new machine, may be produced within a matter of minutes. Many of the illustrations in this week's Lancaster Farming have been produced from the Scan-A-Graver.

An electronic cell "reads" the photograph or material being produced, relaying the intensities of blacks or whites to a stylus heated to high degree which etches the plastic sheet deeply for white tones, lightly for blacks. So sensitive is the machine that delicate shadings may be distinguished and reproduced for newspaper use.

Installation of the Scan-A-Graver Cadet is only one of several new pieces of modern equipment added by Octoraro Newspapers to provide readers with the best. Earlier Elliott Addressing Machine equipment was placed into operation to speed up and improve mailing procedures here.

Farm prices rise 1 per cent after declining for months.

Poultry

LIVE POULTRY

—By USDA

PHILADELPHIA, May 2 — Market unsettled. Supplies of most classes were in excess of the fair demand. Large White Rock pullets 36-38c. Barred

Rocks 38c. Large White Rock caponettes 32-36c few lots higher, small sizes 30-32c. Few lots roasters 26c. Cross fryers caponeted 25c, straight cockerels 23c, White Rock 23-24c, Vantress Reds 32-35c few lots higher. No 2 quality Hyline broilers 18c down to 10c.

Receipts May 1 included Del 12,000 lb, Md 11,000 lb, Va. 4,000 lb.

Wholesale selling prices No. 1 and fancy quality: Broilers or fryers, heavy, 3-4 lb 23-25, roasters 26, pullets 4 1-2 lb and over 36-38, hens heavy type 25-29, light type 15-21, old roosters 12-13, ducks, Muscovy none, Pekin 30-32.

Broilers Off Two cents in Tuesday Sale

Lancaster Poultry Exchange (Rohrerstown, Pa.) (Sales report, sale 145 — Tuesday, May 1, 1956) — Prices moved two cents lower Tuesday in the sale of 18,750 birds on the Lancaster Poultry Exchange, in a price range of 19 1/4 to 21 1/4 with one lot over at 24, averaging 20 46 cents. Ten lots totaling 33,450 were listed and offered, and two lots, totaling 14,700 were not sold.

For the corresponding sale a year ago, No. 51, Tuesday, May 3, 1955, eight lots totaling 36,400 broilers were offered, plus two lots of turkeys, totaling 3,700, and five lots, 13,400 birds were sold between 25 1/2 and 26 1/4, averaging 26.05. The turkeys did not sell.

Here are Tuesday sales by Lot number (each preceded by "1"), seller, (with grower indicated in parentheses), amount and breed, age by weeks and days, buyer and price:

1, Norman Leid, 1000 White Rock cockerels, 10 wks, to Roy E. Ream, 21 cents; 2, Tobias C. Stehman, 200 Indian River Cross, 12 wks, to John E. Rettinger, 24c; 3, Eugene Schlosnagle, 8200 White Vantress, 9 wks, no sale, 21 bid; 4, Miller & Bushong (James Bucher), 6500 White Vantress, 9-4, no sale, 21c bid; 5, Davis S Hoover, 1700 Indian River Cross, 10 wks, to Producers Cooperative Exchange, 21c.

Red Rose Experimental Farm-Wm. Eshelman consigned lots 6 through 10, selling as follows: 6, 3500 White Mountains, 9-5, to Producers Cooperative Exchange, 20 1/4c; 7, 3400 White Mountains, 9-5, to Producers Cooperative Exchange, 20 1/4c; 8, 3850 Indian River Cross, 9-1, to Roy E. Ream, 21 1/4c; 9, 3400 White Mountains, 9-5, to Walter C. Mellinger, 20 cents; 10, 1700 White Mountains, 9-5, to Walter C. Mellinger, 19 1/4 cents.

EGGS

PHILADELPHIA, May 2 — Market unsettled. Supplies were in excess of the immediate fair to good demand. Storage interest improved and into storage movement was moderate in volume. Small-lots of current receipts brought 37-38c.

Wholesale selling prices: minimum 1 per cent AA quality large 45-48 lb white 39-42, brown 39-41 1/2, medium white 36-36 1-2, browns 35 1-2-36, extras, minimum 60 per cent A quality large 45-50 lb white 39-42, mixed color 35-35 1-2, standards 37-38, checks 32-35. Receipts May 1 — 5,100 cases all by truck.

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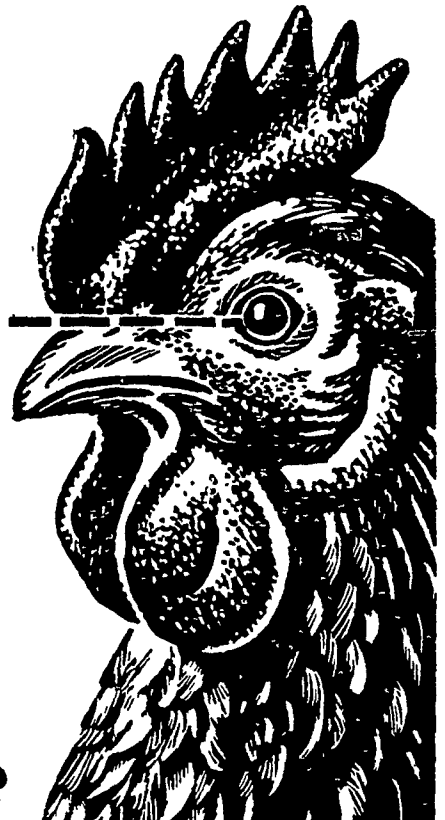
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