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\$2 Per Year

Crop Picture in County Generally Good at Present

Throughout Lancaster County, the general crop picture is good, County Agent Max M. Smith reported today, adding that a good soaking rain is needed in southern Lancaster County, the sole area that needs moisture on a more immediate basis.

Corn planting is just starting, and already perhaps 10 to 20 per cent of the total acreage has been planted. Mr. Smith reiterated his note of caution issued last week that there is a threat of weed problems in corn, and use of pre-emergence sprays at the spike stage is highly recommended.

Rye Going Into Silage

Some rye will be going into grass silage shortly, he told. Rye should be cut while in the blossom stage — that is the ideal time — before any kernel has developed. Do not permit rye to wilt, he advises. Use of preservatives is highly recommended, such as sodium bisulphite powder at the rate of eight pounds per ton of forage.

However, he added, to offset the low palatability of rye silage somewhat, use of a molasses mixture, 100 to 150 pounds per ton, is recommended.

Alfalfa Weevil Hits

There is a current threat of alfalfa weevil at this time, and spraying is recommended this week or next, using one and one-half pint of No. 2 emulsion heptachlor.

Tobacco plants are behind schedule, a week or two late, and tomatoes started very slow due to frost and the continued cold weather. Hot temperatures over the weekend, that soared up into the 90s, moderated into chilly nights by midweek, with scattered reports of light rain.

Chicks of Tomorrow Fly to State Meet

Chickens of Tomorrow entered in the Pennsylvania State Contest by James Clanton, R2 Kennett Square, were flown to Hollidaysburg Tuesday by L. L. Logan, vice president of the Pennsylvania Flying Farmers.

Accompanying Mr. Logan and Mr. Clanton was Clyde Jackson, supervisor of vocational agriculture in Chester and Delaware Counties. Mr. Clanton sold his entries at Cochranville for \$4 per pound.

HOUSE SELLS AT \$6100

Jennie Staub, Mountville, purchased the 2½ story-frame house in Mountville offered by Amanda S. Hendricks for \$6100 in public sale Tuesday. Auctioneer was Edar F. Funk.

Crowd at Guernsey Auction



Every seat was filled when bidding began on the 30 lots offered in the "Meeting of the Stars" Guernsey Convention sale at the Guernsey Sales Pavilion, Lancaster,

last week. This picture was taken just after the first lot was sold for the highest price of the sale, \$2550, Bayville Maxprint Bubblemist.

Top Four-H Youths This Year Named

By LF Staff Reporter

Miss Jeanette Breneman, R2 Mount Joy, and Walter Augsburg, R1 Reinholds, Saturday night were named outstanding farm youths of Lancaster County for 1956 at the spring party of the Lancaster County 4-H Club in the Guernsey Sales Pavilion, Lancaster.

Miss Breneman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Roy Breneman, was cited for her work as president of the County 4-H Home Economics Council, and Mr. Augsburg received his award for work as president of the Lancaster County 4-H Agricultural Council.

Other receiving citations were Miriam Roland, R2 Mount Joy, recreation and rural arts; Phyllis Rutt, R1 Stevens, clothing; Josephine Lausch, R1 Denver, leadership; Gladys Sangrey, R2 Litz, achievement, and Nancy Newcomer, R2 Litz, records maintenance. Each received a pin.

Checks of \$25 each were given Miss Breneman and Mr. Augsburg on behalf of the Lancaster County Farm Bureau's Rural Youth Award Fund.

Cited as outstanding in boys work were Eugene Groff, R1 Stevens, dairy, Glenn Shirk, R2 Quarryville, electric program, and Bruce Boyd, R1 Ephrata, field corps. Awards were given girls by Miss Ruth Kimble, extension home economist for Lancaster County, and Victor Plasztow, assistant Lancaster County agent.

Chicago Hogs at 10 Month Top of \$17.75

Hogs in Chicago Wednesday scored an extreme of \$17.75, highest since July 26, 1955. The market there that day was 25 to 50 cents higher. Scoring \$17.75 were 30 head of No. 1s, averaging 215 pounds. The bulk of Wednesday's offerings sold from \$17.25 to \$17.50.

Chicago's action was not reflected elsewhere in the major hog markets. The trend at Indianapolis and St. Louis National Stock Yards was substantially lower, at National Stock Yards 25 to 40 off, with a high of \$16.85, bulk \$16.25 to \$16.50 and moderate numbers \$16.60 to \$16.75.

Indianapolis hogs were fully a quarter off, with the bulk \$16.25 to \$16.50, and several hundred head scoring \$16.65 to \$16.75.

House Approves \$1.9 Billion for Farm Programs

The House of Representatives this week passed a bill that will appropriate \$1,983,512,568 for the United States Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year beginning July 1.

The measure, passed by voice vote, has gone to the senate.

There is no connection between this measure and the one providing for a Soil Bank program.

REP. WOOD RECOVERS

Rep. Norman Wood, Peach Bottom, who has been a surgical patient at Temple University Hospital, Philadelphia, has returned to his home and is resuming attendance at sessions of the General Assembly in Harrisburg.

Four-H Heifer Outstanding in Auction Here

By ERNEST J. NEILL

Moving from the minor leagues to the majors is the goal of many a baseball hopeful, but in a short time H. Fred Downey of Williamsport, Md., has done something similar.

At the recent Meeting of the Stars Guernsey Convention Sale in Lancaster, Fred, 16, joined



H. FRED DOWNEY

ed the upper brackets, making another step ahead over the bridge between Four-H and professional dairying.

In that sale, which averaged \$778, Fred was one of the top five price-wise in the 30 lots offered. His four-year-old cow, Curles Robin's Bonnie, selling as lot 20, scored \$1,050, selling to William Y. Lee of Rocky Hill Farm, Doylestown, Pa.

This was the first sale the young assistant at his father's Woodside Hall Farm had entered. But it was a case of a Four-H Club heifer that moved up

Top Chicken of Tomorrow Sells At \$6 Per Pound

By ERNEST J. NEILL

Paying \$6 per pound, the Beacon Milling Co., Inc., of Cayuga, N. Y. established the top of the Pennsylvania regional Chicken of Tomorrow Contest Auction at Coatesville Wednesday.

Receiving a total of \$261.75 for his six dressed birds was Ronald Shaffer of R1 Dover, at the Producers Cooperative Exchange in Coatesville. From York County, Ronald's entries came from Martin's Hatchery, Lancaster, where White Vantress Cross fed on Wineka Feeds.

In second place, scoring \$5 a pound, or a total of \$165, was Miss Shirley Ann Ream of R2 Lebanon, whose White Vantress Arbor Acres from Moore Farms were fed on Miller & Bushong Products. Miller & Bushong paid the \$5 figure for her entries.

Purchasing the third-place lot was L. L. Logan Hatcheries of Kennett Square, at \$4 a pound, or a gross of \$132 for James Clanton of R2 Kennett Square. James entered pure white Cornish produced at the Logan Hatchery and fed on Caleb P. Fulton, Est. feeds. James and his brother have placed among the first ten in regional chicken-of-tomorrow contests the past three years in a row.

Raymond Winters Wins

A Lancaster County entry moved into fourth position, also scoring \$4 a pound for White Vantress x Arbor Acres from Longenecker's Hatchery raised by Raymond Winter, R2 Conestoga. Miller & Bushong, who produced feeds used by Raymond, purchased the exhibit.

Another Lancaster County entry, that of Sara Ann Herr, Rohrerstown, was next in fifth place, selling at \$3 per pound to American Stores one of the more extensive buyers of the day. White Vantress x White Rock produced at Moore Farms Hatcheries were on Miller & Bushong feeds. Gross figure, \$105.

Sixth place winners, entered by Donald L. Geisey, R2 Dillsburg, sold at \$2.50 to D. E. Horn, grossing \$80, on Mount View Red Vantress chicks, using D. E. Horn feeds. In seventh place, grossing \$131.25, was James Light of R3 Lebanon, whose Hubbard Farms White Mountains were fed on E. H. Gerhart Co. feeds. John Kissinger was buyer.

Ruth Longenecker, R3 York, scored eighth on White Vantress x White Rocks produced by Longenecker Hatcheries. Fed on Miller & Bushong rations, they sold to Miller & Bushong at \$1 per pound, grossing \$42. Lancaster County moved back into the picture on ninth place when Louise May Herr, Rohrerstown, received \$1 per pound, \$43.39 gross, on Martin's Hatchery White Vantress x New Hampshire, that sold to Producers Co.

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