

## Haying Near Rheems



One of the most demanding items of farm work at the moment in Lancaster County is haymaking. Here, near Rheems, neat windrows follow in the process that began with the tractor mower in the

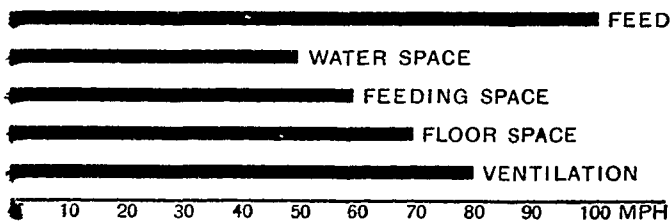
background. Haybalers, or hayloaders, follow through for one of the top jobs these hot summer afternoons. (Lancaster Farming Staff Photo).

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# Beacon Broiler Feeds

## Meat Production Gains Considerably

Meat production in June is running considerably above the corresponding month last year, with increases shown in everything but lamb and mutton. Pork should be the greatest gains.

In the first two weeks of June, inspected packers at major market terminals butchered a total of 651,248 cattle, up three per cent from the period last year. For hogs, 1,762,972 were slaughtered; up 24 per cent, and sheep and lambs totaled 470,654, somewhat under the 501,609 for the same period a year ago.

### DRAFT CALL 1,021

During August, 1,021 Pennsylvania men will be subject to draft call, the State Selective Service headquarters advises. The national August call is 13,000 men for the Army. All must be at least 22 years old.

## Grazing Late in All Parts of Pennsylvania

HARRISBURG — In preparation for the June Dairy Month increase in consumption of milk, cows on Pennsylvania dairy farms produced 668 million lbs of milk during May, establishing a new all-time record for that month, the State Department of Agriculture announced today.

The previous high record, set in May of last year, was 655 million lbs. This year there are 4,000 more cows on dairy farms and they are averaging higher output per animal, the Department said.

### Milk Cow Total 944,000

The Federal-State Crbp Reporting Service estimated the number of milk cows for May was 944,000 head; unchanged from a month earlier. A year ago cow numbers totaled 940,000. Milk production for this May was 2 per cent above May last year and showed a normal seasonal increase over April.

The Department anticipates that milk output for June will continue heavy but the volume may be less than for May.

Late arrival of spring weather delayed development of pastures in the northern counties of Pennsylvania. The effect of these short pastures was more than offset by the trend to higher production, the survey showed.

### All Grazing Delayed

Grazing of cattle was delayed in all areas of the State. Some rationing of grass occurred and in a few instances cattle were still on full winter feed on June 1, date of the production survey.

Milk production for January through May this year totals 2 billion, 878 million lbs, or 4 per cent above the 2 billion, 761 million pounds for January-May last year.

Last month was the coldest May in years with some localities reporting the latest killing frosts ever known. On the 25th the third widespread killing frost caused much damage to fruit and truck crops. Some corn was damaged and considerable legume hay was nipped.

## Standard on Cherry Grades Might Change

WASHINGTON — (USDA) — The U. S. Department of Agriculture today announced proposed amendments to USDA grade standards for canned sweet cherries. Current standards have been in effect since May 15, 1953.

Proposed amendments would change slightly the interpretations for certain defects. The categories of slightly damaged, damaged, and seriously damaged cherries would be redefined; and a change in tolerance from 3 per cent to 4 per cent seriously damaged cherries would be permitted in U. S. Grade B or U. S. Choice.

Comments on the proposed amendments must be filed no later than December 31, 1956, with F. L. Southerland, Chief, Processed Products Standardization and Inspection Branch, Fruit and Vegetable Division, Agricultural Marketing Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington 25, D. C.

## Streets of Harpers Ferry Silent Today

By ERNEST J. NEILL

Did you ever drive the streets of a deserted town? A town where there were no pedestrians? Where dusk was shrouding empty buildings?

All one can do is shake his head in wonderment, pondering what has happened, what is coming next. Hard it is to believe that here John Brown, famed abolitionist, with 13 white and five Negro men seized the Federal arsenal of Harpers Ferry, Va. on Oct. 16, 1859. Fourteen of his men there were killed. Five citizens were also killed.

### Buildings Being Restored

Some time later, John Brown was taken by the U. S. Marines under Capt. Robert E. Lee, and the captured man was hanged Dec. 2 at Charles Town, Va. And for that reason, lines from the song remain more clear.

John Brown's body lies

A mouldering in the grave. Today some buildings are in a magnificent state of repair, some are being reconstructed, others being salvaged in this scenic spot which makes an excellent, scenic weekend drive from Lancaster County.

Here the Shenandoah and Potomac Rivers meet, to flow on as the Potomac. On a high bluff, which Thomas Jefferson said offered the best view on this side of the Atlantic, ancient gravestones re-tell some of the city's history.

### Buildings Stand Silent

Today the Arsenal which John Brown and his cohorts raided stands in good state. Stone steps lead ever upward to the home of Mr. Harper who operated the ferry. But the buildings are silent, silent as pre-dawn. On windows of each is a sticker from the National Park Service that the building is the property of the United States Government, not to be defaced.

Steep streets lead upward from the right angled-turn where the main street follows the river bank. Leading back, at ever increasing heights, are other streets that pass houses clinging to the edge of the cliff. But each comes to a dead end, and, unless you choose to tumble down the rocky hillside, you must return to the one street that leads back down town.

In a 300-mile swing, from Lancaster to York, Gettysburg, Fort Mifflin over Tuscarora to McConnellsburg, varying needs of rain were observed. But before the evening ended in Maryland, a rainstorm, equally violent to one that struck Lancaster County Saturday night, thoroughly drenched the Frederick to Baltimore area.

### Good Sized Sheep Flocks

Berkeley Springs remains one of the favorite spots on this tour, and comparisons in farming cannot be avoided. A preponderance of livestock is evident in passing through parts of West Virginia, Virginia and Maryland, and good sized flocks of sheep were seen on several farms. Herds of well-bred cattle, occasional horse farms, and once in a while farms that seemed they could produce naught but a crop of rocks, highlighted the journey.

There's much of interest on a trip like this, one of several that can be made in a comparatively few hours from Lancaster County.

Damage estimated at \$400 was caused to the automobile of William Lindsay, R2 Smyrna, Del., when it struck a steer eight miles south of Lancaster on Route 72 early Saturday morning.

State Police were seeking the owner of the steer.