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Corn Shows Need — Many corn fields throughout Pennsylvania are showing signs of the lack of lime and fertilizers, says Wayne Hinsh, Penn State extension agronomist. Unfortunately, when these deficiency symptoms appear, the damage has been done and nothing can be done for this year's crop.

To Study Poultry — "Reading a chicken" like a book will be part of the Poultry Production short course at the Pennsylvania State University Aug 20 to 24. Feeding, housing, disease control, and marketing are other features of the course

Seeding Possible. — For many farmers, August seedings of forage crops are generally successful. However, you do have to handle this type of seeding carefully or you may get poor results, reports James Eakin, Penn State extension agronomist. August seedings are adapted only to flat or gently rolling land.

Late Blight Found — Late blight has been reported on potatoes in Pennsylvania, according to Allen Bauer, Penn State extension plant pathologist. Cool and rainy weather favors spread of the disease. Dry, hot weather stops development and spread of blight. Continuous fungicide applications are good insurance.



This weekend finds these steamers huffing and puffing as they did years ago at the eighth annual reunion of the Rough and Tumble Engineers Historical Association at Kinzers. — (Lancaster Farming Staff Photo).

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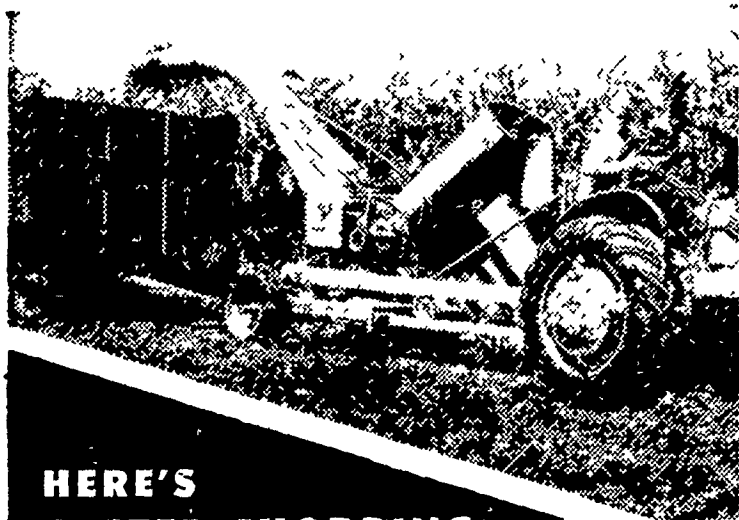
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Reading Fair Scheduled on Sept. 9 to 16

A concerted drive to procure entries for two "open-to-the-world" contests at the Reading Fair has begun to bear fruit. The fair, one of Pennsylvania's largest, operates Sept. 9 to 16.

In a new competition to select America's "Farm Maid of 1956," the first entrant is 18-year-old Helen Hollenbach, of Strausstown, Pa.

Three Queen Candidates
The "Miss Reading Fair" beauty contest, now in its 11th year, has attracted three early candidates. They are: Mary Jane Mangler, Philadelphia, 18-year-old professional tap dancer, who is "Miss Philadelphia of 1956"; Harriet L. Krauss, Spring City, Pa., 21-year-old stenographer 19 1/2; 48, Rodet Poultry Farm with the Superior Tube Co., of Evansburg, Pa.

Eileen S. Dotterer, 16-year-old 11th grade student at Wilson high school, West Lawn, Pa. Although both contests are open to single and married women anywhere in the world, none of the early entrants is married.

Three Superior Skills.
One of the provisions of the Farm Maid competition is that contestants must reside on a farm and Miss Hollenbach's entry states she is a resident of the Blue Mountain View Farms. Purpose of the farm maid contest, a new feature at the fair, is to find a farmerette between the ages of 16 and 25 who has superior skills in three phases of farm work: needlework, pie baking and hand milking.

Official entry forms for both contests now are available at the Reading Fair office, 522 Court St., Reading, Pa. Only restriction in the Miss Reading Fair beauty contest is that girls must have reached their 16th birthdays by September 1, this year.

Closing date for entries in the Farm Maid competition is Aug. 31, in the beauty contest, Sept 1.

Hay Exhibit Planned — The first of five district hay shows to be held in Pennsylvania will be held at Hershey Aug 23 to 25, announces Frank Bamer, Penn State extension agronomist. Winners will exhibit at the 1957 Pennsylvania Farm Show in Harrisburg.

Kill Those Ants — At this time of year ants are a real nuisance. Henry Menusan, Penn State extension entomologist, says you can use chlordane to control these pests.

Leroy Solomon, women's dress manufacturer: "Women are dieting and taking better care of their figures"



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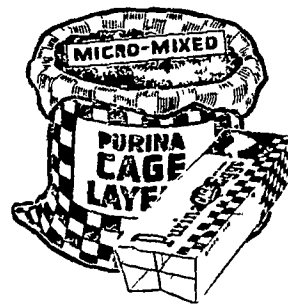
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