



Winning lambs at the Countywide Lamb show during the fair at Mt. Joy were these above, shown with Nancy Gibble, owner, her sister Janet and Betty Hess. All are from R3 Elizabethtown (Lancaster Farming Staff Photo).

Baer's Almanac Predicts Winter to Have Heavy Snows, End on Cold Wave

Weather for 1957 will open with heavy snows for much of the nation, and end with a cold wave, according to Baer's Almanac, now making its 132nd annual appearance.

This winter in general will be a rough one, with cold waves the end of January, the middle of February and the start of March, the Almanac predicts. And while Easter and Labor Day will generally be fair in 1957, Memorial Day, July 4 and Christmas will be marked by storms, says the Almanac, a standard Pennsylvania Dutch publication since 1825.

But in addition to its usually accurate predictions on the weather, the 1957 edition, published at Lancaster, Pa., contains a number of original pieces of writing which may well become American gems.

It presents, for instance, a manuscript which it says was written 100 years ago by "Abner Americanus" and found recently in the chunk of a Lancaster County barn. Admitting that impossible to believe, the Almanac presents this 100-year-old forecast by "Abner" of what life would be like in America in 1957.

"Science will make people live longer, but to many these added years will be more vexing than their former allotted span, the world of 1957 will have learned what to do to lengthen life, but not how to brighten old age."

"Man will have captured new forms of energy, but will not have conquered himself; flying machines will take men around the earth, but unless the dove of peace flies higher than man-made inventions, wings will not save this civilization; and no matter what flies faster than the speed of light, it cannot beat the speed of love."

As a guide for prospective grooms, the 1957 edition contains an "Almanac of Brides", which sums up the characteristics of each month's bride in a two-line verse. Oddly enough, the

bride's temperments seem related to the weather. Take the June bride:

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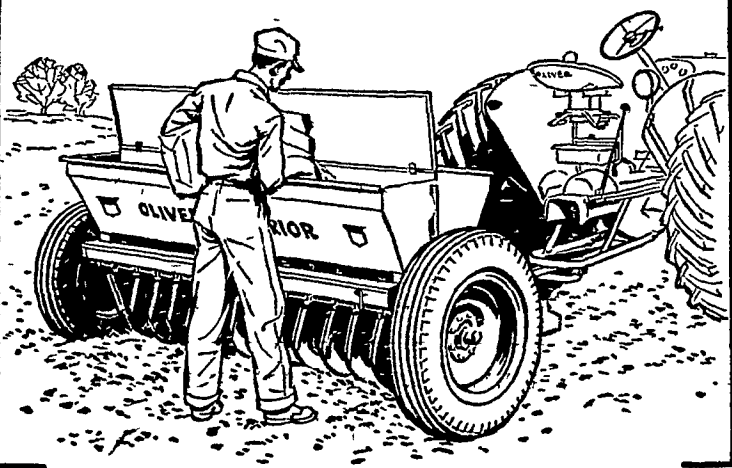


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CHEVIOTS (Pens of Three)

1, (Only one entry), David Witmer, R5 Lancaster

DORSETS (Pen of Three)

1, (only one entry): Donald Wiggins, R1 Millersville.

Judging the livestock division was Dwight Younk, livestock extension specialist from the Pennsylvania State University, assisted by County Agent Max M. Smith and his associates. Also attending was Henry Moon, southeastern Pennsylvania 4H supervisor.

SWINE SHOW

Here are swine show awards: Grand champion: Joanne Bixler, R1 Marietta, on Yorkshire Reserve champion: Susie Martin, R1 Marietta, Yorkshire.

Third place Yorkshire was shown by John Risser, R2 Hershey.

SPOTTED POLAND CHINA

1, John Martin, R1 Marietta, 2, Jay Lewis Bixler, R1 Marietta, 3, Floyd Risser, R2 Hershey.

FFA JUDGING

1, Richard Heagy, Florin, 2, Glenn Aldinger, Elizabethtown.

BERKSHIRES

1, Richard Heagy, 2, Glenn Aldinger

BERKSHIRE SOWS

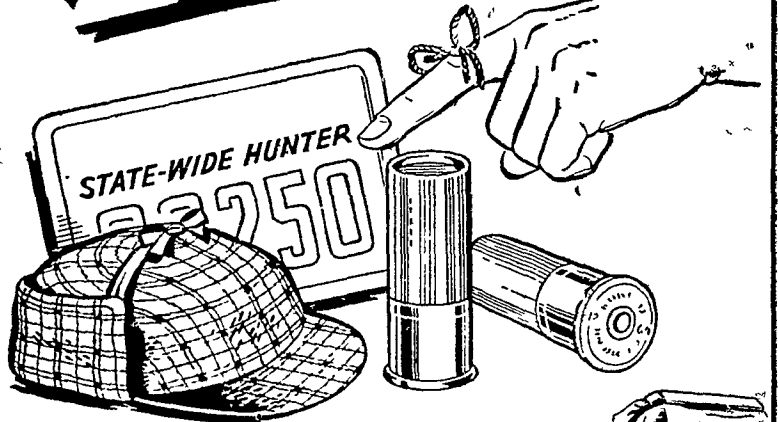
1, Glenn Aldinger, 2, Richard Heagy

Cattle on Farms This Year Show Advance

Some agricultural economists have predicted that the number of cattle on the farms and ranches of this country will amount to approximately 106,500,000 head, as compared with 97,500,000 head on January 1st of this year.

The estimates were made on the basis of previous cattle cycles, the ratio of cattle numbers to human population, and economic factors such as per capita income.

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