

Farm Women Will Convene

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whose mother is a member of Society 10.

Mrs. Shriver will install officers at the end of the afternoon session.

Committees for the convention include:

Program: Mrs. Charles Felty, Society 8; Mrs. Robert Weicksel, Society 15; Mrs. Park Ressel, Society 21; Mrs. Henry Reist, Society 4, and Mrs. Walter Himelreich, Society 14.

Nominating: Mrs. Raymond Stoner, Society 18; Mrs. C. H. Reinhold, Society 10; Mrs. Harold Stuber, Society 3.

Auditing: Mrs. John Herr, Jr., Society 21, and Mrs. Lester Sigman, Society 12.

Decorating: Mrs. Roy Shelly, Society 2 and Mrs. Park Reinhardt, Society 20.

Registration: Mrs. Willis Rohrer, Society 22 and Mrs. Floyd Reinhart, Society 13

Place and Luncheon Tickets: Mrs. Neil Clark, Society 1, and Mrs. Leroy Hottenstein, Society 5.

Favors: Mrs. Esther Weidler, Society 19 and Mrs. Elvin Keener, Society 6.

Ushers: Mrs. Elmer Huber, Society 9; Mrs. John Denlinger, Society 13; Mrs. Melvin Marron, Society 17, and Mrs. James Retzer, Society 11.

BEAR KILLS TRAINER

LIBERTYVILLE, Ill. — While his fiancée tried desperately to save him, Paul Lemery, 28-year-old animal trainer, was killed by one of four bears he had been training for television appearances. Hans, a European brown bear, pinned Lemery to the floor, clawing and biting him. Screams by Lemery and Shirley Rodriguez, his fiancée, brought Robert Bellefeuille, operator of a nearby shop, who seized a .35-caliber hunting rifle and shot the bear in the head, killing him. Lemery died en route to a hospital.

PROCESSED POULTRY

(By USDA)

Philadelphia, Oct. 31 (USDA) — Processed poultry — ready-to-cook (ice packed) young chickens — market unsettled. Supplies and receipts moderate to liberal. Demand fair to improved but this about normal for a Wednesday. Prices paid delivered warehouse, Philadelphia (cents per lb).

Grade A & U S grade A 2-3 lb 28-30, mostly 28½-29.

Hens ready to cook (ice packed) market steady to firm. Prices unchanged. Supplies just barely ample for current requirements.

Prices delivered warehouse grade A & U. S grade A quality 45½ lb 30½-32

LIVE POULTRY

(By USDA)

Philadelphia, Oct. 31 (USDA) — Market about steady. Supplies and receipts moderate to excessive. Demand fair with sales forced in most instances to effect clearances. Few fancy heavy type hens sold for 22 cents but No. 2 quality 12-15. Few one coop sales of light type 13-15 Caponeted fryers 21-24. White Rock caponettes 5 lbs and over 24-26 with occasional sales as high as 27 cents. Weights under 5 lb 22-23. Small type turkey hens sold at 30-35 cents.

Receipts Oct 30 included Md 4000 lbs, Del 9000 lbs

Wholesale selling prices No 1 and fancy quality broilers or fryers heavy Muscovy 22-27, Pekin 24-30.

YANKS WRONG CUSTOMER

SPOKANE, Wash. — An impatient customer, Settle Pearson, 32, walked into a barbershop for a haircut and shave. Told there was no empty chair, Pearson grabbed a dozing pardon by the collar and pulled him from a barber chair. The patron happened to be Policeman Leroy G. Cummins, Jr., complete with uniform, revolver and handcuffs. The impatient customer, caught after a chase, was booked on a disorderly conduct charge.

County Leads State Farming; 13th in Nation

Harrisburg — Pennsylvania has three counties — Lancaster, Chester and York — that rank among the first 100 counties in the United States in the value of all farm products sold, the State Department of Agriculture said today.

Lancaster's rank of 13th in the nation puts it first in Pennsylvania with 1954 sales coming to \$80,150,566, more than one-tenth of all gross farm cash income for that year in Pennsylvania, according to U. S. Agricultural census reports.

In addition, the Department pointed to the fact that most farms in all counties that lead Lancaster — in California, Arizona, Colorado and Washington — have irrigation for crops. This gives Lancaster ranking as first among the more than 3,000 counties in the United States in the value of farm production without the aid of irrigation, observers said.

Chester County ranks second in Pennsylvania and 60th in the United States with a total of \$32,730,526 in the value of all farm products sold in 1954. Five years earlier Chester was second in Pennsylvania and 47th in the United States.

York County's \$27,178,969 gross value makes it third in Pennsylvania and 87th in the Nation. Its national rank in 1949 was 65th.

Lancaster County has 7,951 farms, according to 1954 census enumerations. This is only one less than the total five years earlier. It is one of the few counties in Pennsylvania that failed to show a loss in the total number of farms between censuses. During that period the State total dropped from 146,887 farms to 128,876, a decline of 18,011 farms. The average farm in Lancaster County is only 62 acres in size, the same as in 1949.

The number of farms in Chester County is now 3,383 compared with 3,847 in 1954. The average farm has 99 acres, five more than the 1949 average. York County now has 5,549 farms against 6,506 five years earlier. Farms there average 75 acres, whereas the average in 1949 was 70 acres.

Twenty per cent of the farm products sold in the nation in 1954 were grown on farms in the 100 leading agricultural counties.

Registrations Of Angus Gain In Past Year

A gain in registrations of purebred Aberdeen-Angus cattle in 1956 has bolstered enthusiasm for the breed at a time when cattlemen in widely scattered areas are battling drought and unfavorable economic conditions.

Aberdeen-Angus registrations hit 186,771 at the close of the 1956 fiscal year, Sept. 30, announces Frank Richards, Secretary of the American Aberdeen-Angus Breeders' Association. This is the second highest annual registration in the history of the association. The Angus is the largest of the beef breeds to show a gain in registrations this year.

More significant in the growth of any breed of livestock is the number of new breeders entering the business each year, points out Mr. Richards. For the seventh consecutive year new breeders joining the American Aberdeen-Angus Association have exceeded 2,000. This past 12 months the new lifetime memberships in the national organization totaled 2,371. Breed expansion pushed the adult memberships in the association to 32,286, maintaining its lead as the world's largest beef breed registry group. In

275 Steers, 20 Pens of Lambs In Yards Show

The annual Southeast District 4-H Baby Beef and Lamb Club Round-up and sale will be held at the Union Stock yards, Lancaster, Nov. 7 and 8.

A total of 275 steers and 20 pens of fat lambs will be shown Wednesday, Nov. 7 by 4-H Club members from Adams, Berks, Chester, Cumberland, Dauphin, Lancaster, Lebanon, Mifflin, Northampton, Perry and York counties. The auction sale of the animals will be Thursday.

Separate show rings will be in operation for Hereford, Angus and Shorthorn, with judging in five different weight groups.

Judges of beef cattle will be W. A. Cowan, of the University of Connecticut, and Myron D. Lacy, Cornell University Lamb judge will be Thomas B. King, Pennsylvania State University.

Steer showmanship judges will be Robert Houston for Angus, Robert Hartley for Herefords and Roger Halsted for Shorthorns. Show director is M. M. Smith.

LATEST STYLE

"Dear," asked the little woman, "is my hat on straight?" "Yes, yes," her husband replied impatiently. "It's absolutely straight. Now do hurry; we're late already."

"I'm sorry," the little woman rejoined, "but I'll have to go back, then. This isn't the sort of hat that is supposed to be worn straight!"

SLASH POLICE CAR TIRES

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Police are looking for the vandals who punched or slashed ten tires on eight police cars parked in the Police Department's municipal center garage. Six of the cars were police cruisers and the other two were owned by police inspectors.

Lancaster county agricultural extension agent Auctioneer will be Abram Diffenbaugh.

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