

It's The Law

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Q. In Pennsylvania, what is the law regarding a private citizen's action in taking the law into his own hands against violations and crime? I traffic violations such as going through stop signs, can he stop the car and get the driver's and car's license numbers and turn them over to the proper officials? If not, what is the course of action a citizen might take against consistent violators where the violations create a safety hazard?

S. Q.

A. Generally a civilian has the same privilege of making an arrest under the authority of a warrant as a peace officer. Where the crime perpetrated constitutes a misdemeanor and a breach of peace, or a felony, and occurred in the presence of the citizen, he may make a civil arrest. However, in instances where the crime was not committed in the citizen's presence he should act with care to avoid being charged with false arrest.

A citizen has no authority to make an arrest for traffic violations, but he may take the license number from the car and secure information as to the owner of the vehicle from the proper authority and then proceed to make an information charging violation of the proper section of the Vehicle Code before a justice of the peace or magistrate.

Q. After living with a man as his common-law wife for 20 years, I'm being pushed out for someone else. How much or what legal right do I have as to security and support from this man? He is a well-to-do business man.

J. G.

A. If you are in fact a common-law wife you are entitled to support by your husband, and action for non-support should be instituted and the common-law marriage established.

4-H Exhibitors List at Farm Show

UNIVERSITY PARK — Boys and girls of 4-H Clubs from 22 counties will exhibit 114 steers at the State Farm Show at Harrisburg, Jan. 14 to 18, according to an announcement made by Allen L. Baker, State 4-H Club leader. Aberdeen Angus cattle lead the list with 61 entries; Herefords are second with 43, and the remaining ten are Shorthorns.

Forty-one pens of lambs will be shown by 4-H'ers from eight counties. Included in the exhibits will be 10 pens of Hampshire, 4 Shropshire; 10 Southdown; 13 Cheviot; 3 Dorset, and one pen of Suffolk lambs.

Included among the 4-H exhibitors will be:

Aberdeen-Angus: James W. Bowman, R1 Ronks; Glen Foreman, R3 Manheim; Herbert Frey, R1 Lancaster; Robert Gibble, R3 Elizabethtown; Maria Graybill, R3 Manheim; Henry Greiner, R4 Manheim; Lorraine Hackman, R3 Elizabethtown; John A. Harsh, R1 Kinzer; Samuel F. Long, R4 Manheim; Donald Rutt, R2 Peach Bottom; Kenneth Rutt, R2 Peach Bottom; Dorothy Stehman, R3 Lancaster; and John D. Zimmerman, R1 Reinholds.

Hereford: Leona Augsburger, R1 Reinholds; Joanne Foreman, R3 Manheim; Janet Frey, R1 Lancaster; James Gibble and Christ Miller, Jr., R1 Elizabethtown; Peggy Hackman, R3 Elizabethtown; Joyce Noll, R1 Reinholds; Doris Shenk and Joanne Shenk, R3 Manheim; and Dennis Sangrey, R2 Conestoga.

Shorthorn: Shirley Longenecker, R2 Lititz.

Poison Gas Forms From New Silage

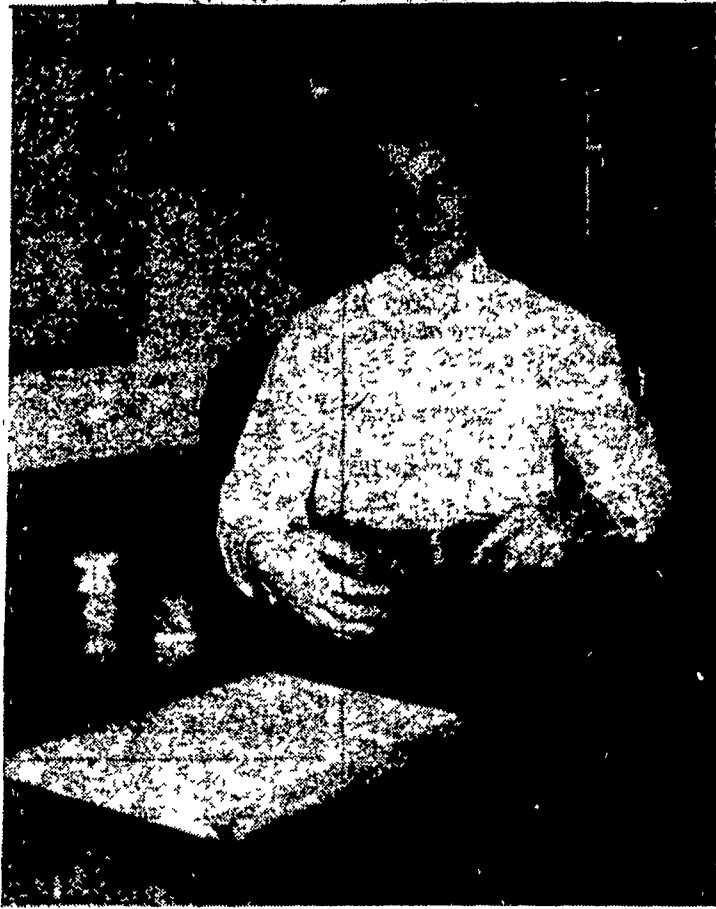
Farmers have always been instinctively leery about entering a newly-filled silo. Few of them, however, realized the seriousness of the danger.

A newly-filled silo can be a gas death chamber because the fermenting silage produces oxides of nitrogen, gases which are lethal if inhaled.

This was reported in a recent issue of the "Journal of the American Medical Society" which warns that no one should be allowed to enter a silo from the time filling begins until at least seven to 10 days after it is completed.

OBSOLETE?

Modern man is obsolete note Senator Hickenlooper attacking the custodians of the atomic bomb with a bean-blower. — St. Louis Post-Dispatch.



COOKING is a large part of the training of the Future Homemakers of America. Trevena Stehman is shown here in the practice kitchen of Hampfield high school, Landisville (Staff Photo)

Trevena Stehman To Be Honored For FHA Work

The highest award made to members of the Pennsylvania Assn. Future Homemakers of America, the "Future Homemakers Degree," will be presented to Miss Trevena Stehman, 2817 Marietta Ave., Lancaster, at the Farm Show Wednesday.

Selections were made by members of the State FHA executive council of which Miss Nancy Jean Ruth, Fountain Hill High School, Bethlehem, is president. State adviser for the organization is Mrs. Clio S. Reinwald, chief of homemaking education, State Department of Public Education.

Miss Stehman, 17, is president of her FHA chapter at Hempfield High School, Landisville. This is her second year of FHA work.

She is also fourth vice president of the state FHA organization and advisor for the county organization. In addition she is on the home and community safety and constitution committees of the state FHA and is a member of the state chorus.

She has been a member of the county 4-H club for the past seven years.

A senior this year at Hempfield, she plans to attend Cottey Jr. College at Nevada, Mo., majoring in medical technology.

Seventy-seven girls in Pennsylvania were selected to receive the "Future Homemakers Degree."

Miss Stehman is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan J. Stehman.

Research by the U. S. Department of Agriculture shows that meat tenderness is inherited in animals and can be passed to succeeding generations through selective breeding.

Tree Planting Hits New High

Forest tree planting hit a new high in 1956 with trees set out on 915,428 acres, the U. S. Department of Agriculture announced in summarizing forestry highlights for 1956.

State forestry and other cooperating agencies were mainly responsible for this outstanding reforestation accomplishment. Even more tree planting is expected during the next 10 to 15 years because of the Agriculture Act of 1956 with its conservation reserve program and other tree planting provisions.

National forest resources received increased use. Some 7 billion board feet of timber, valued at \$100 million, were harvested. Recreation visits hit a new high of 50 million. Private, municipal, and federal water developments on national forests, licensed by the Federal Power Commission, have doubled during the past 10 years.

Thirty national forest watersheds were treated to check soil erosion, stop surface runoff of water, and establish vegetative cover. The Forest Service also helped in treating 114 watersheds on state and private lands.

Improvement of food and cover for wildlife on national forests received new emphasis with a study of game habitat in the South in relation to the management of forests for timber, forage, water, and recreation. The first national meeting of State fish and game men with Forest Service specialists in December brought about better mutual understanding of the wildlife habitat problem in the national forests.

DRINKS IN THE AIR

The nation's domestic airlines, apparently anticipating Congressional action, have agreed to limit the serving of alcoholic beverages on domestic flights. They agreed that no airline will promote the availability of alcoholic beverages; no more than two drinks will be served to a passenger, and no drink will contain more than 1.6 ounces of any alcoholic beverage. The agreement does not include serving of beer or wine.

The outstanding development in protection of forest resources against fire was the use of airplane water-and-chemical-dropping techniques developed in cooperation with State Foresters and other agencies in Colorado and California. This technique showed great promise as a supplement to ground forces in fighting forest fires. Foresters expect more developments in forest fire fighting since the Research Council of the National Academy of Sciences enlisted the help of top scientists of the country for basic research on fire behavior at a conference in November.

Foresters working with the Agricultural Research discovered, cultured, and used a virus disease on Virginia pine sawfly which was infesting native pines in Maryland and stopped the epidemic. They also discovered some American chestnut naturally resistant to blight and some shortleaf pine naturally resistant to the little leaf disease. Seedlings from these will be planted to bring back the species in diseased areas.

Among the successful experiments of the Forest Products Laboratory at Madison, Wis., for the better utilization of forest products, was the production of glycerine by fermentation of wood sugar. The Laboratory's Wood Frame House Construction was its most popular publication of the year.

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