

Lancaster Farming Reviews :

Sangrey, Conestoga was named president of the Penn Manor Community Club at a meeting at the club.

Hess, Washington was selected as vice president with Kenneth New Lancaster R6, as secretary and Harold Sangrey, R1, treasurer. Leaders for the year are Edgar Porter, Washington R1; Mr. and Mrs. Warfel, Conestoga R2; Washington Boro Mrs. Walter Warfel, R6. Leaders are Judy Millersville R1; and Edgar Porter, Washington

Next meeting, scheduled for April 28 at the home of Sangrey, Washington will also include a meeting of the Economics club

Number of turkey in the 11 important producing states increased about 14 per cent from previous week to a total of 2,058,000 birds. Total hatched during the

Feb. 21-Mar. 14 period were three per cent above 1958, as were total settings.

Indicated placement of pullet chicks for broiler industry supply flocks by leading primary breeders of broiler replacement stock totaled 2,414,000 chicks during February, six per cent more than 1958.

During 1958, fires did an estimated \$156 million worth of damage to farm property, including buildings, livestock, machinery and crops, according to economists of the USDA Agricultural Research Services.

This compares with losses estimated at \$152 million in 1957, \$149 million in 1955, \$131 million in 1950 and 164 million in 1940.

The economists explain that the rising cost of property replacement has been a factor in the gradually rising annual loss figure.

Palmaater Turkey Farm, Elverson and Robert K. Shearer, Reinholds, are among 17 applicants for the fifth central random-sample turkey meat production test of Pennsylvania, the State Bureau of Markets has announced.

Palmaater has entered white and bronze turkeys, with Shearer entering bronze birds.

Eggs from the farms will be collected between May 18 and 20. They will be incubated and hatched at Johnson's Hatchery, Ephrata. Poults will be taken off and sexed on June 18. Afterwards, the young birds will be delivered to Milton Hershey Farm's Hatchery, Hershey, where they will be raised to dressing age of 22 weeks for hens and 26 weeks for toms.

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for Red Rose Dairy Herd Improvement Association's member herds was taken by a grade Holstein owned by Bushong and Foulk, Quarryville RD 3. The champion produced 17,668 lbs of milk and 711 lbs of butterfat.

Second high was a registered Holstein owned by J Mowery Frey, Jr, Lancaster RD 7, producing 14,444 lbs of milk and 705 lbs of butterfat.

A quartet of county dairy herds tied for the top in January herd averages. These were the herds of Frey — with 1353 lbs. of milk and 54 lbs. of butterfat; Isaac M Brubaker, Lititz RD 3, — 1376 lbs of milk and 54 lbs. of bf.; Parke H. Ranck, Ronks, RD 1, 1415 lbs. of milk and 54 lbs. of bf., and Edwin J. Landis, Lancaster RD 7, 1318 lbs. of milk and 54 lbs of butterfat.

Second place in January herd averages went to Ezra M. Martin, Ephrata RD 1, with an average of 1376 lbs. of milk and 53 lbs. of butterfat.

Placement of broiler-type chicks in Penna. for the week ending March 14 were up 15 per cent from previous week and up one per cent from the same week of 1958. There were 160,000 broiler-types shipped out of state and 106,000 shipped in during the week.

Indicated number of Penna broilers for market in about 10 weeks is 836,000, about one per cent above the same week of 1958.

Placement of broiler-types for the 22 important states for the week ending March 14 were up three per cent from the previous week. Penna. was among five states showing the greatest increase. Others were Geo. Ala., Ark., and La. Indicated broiler numbers for market in about nine weeks from now is 16 per cent above last year. Total broiler hatchings for the period March 7-April 2 will be about 22 per cent above last year.

Broiler type chicks placed in Penna. for the week ending Mar. 21 at 787,000 were down 18 per cent from the 962,000 placed the previous week and six per cent below 1958. Indicated number of Penna. broilers for market in about 10 weeks in about 818,000, up one percent from 1958.

For the 22 important broiler states, indicated number of broilers for market in about 10 weeks is 33,875,000 up 21 per cent from the same week in 1958. Total hatchings of broiler chicks in the U. S. from Marh 14-April 11 will be about 19 per cent above 1958.

Turkey poults hatched during the week ending on March 21 in 11 important producing states total 2,208,000, up seven per cent from the previous week. Total poults hatched in the last three weeks were five per cent above last year.

Basing their figures on lists which include 8,000 farmers within Lancaster County, Internal Revenue Service officials have started a "crackdown" on an estimated 2,400 county farmers who they claim have failed to file income tax returns in past years. Several farmers have already been visited and found not to have filed, the Lancaster IRS office reports.

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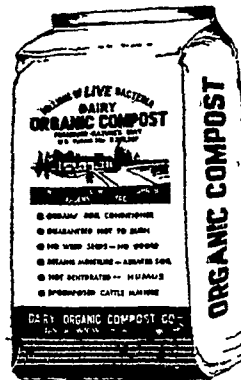
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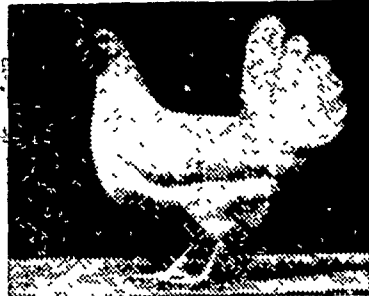
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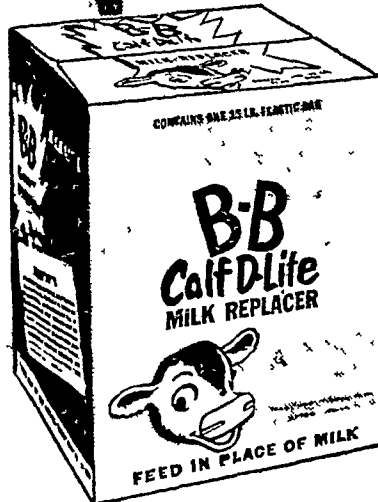
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