

This Week in Washington

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blessings.

Most people are not thankful unless they are more prosperous than they were a year earlier. They measure their happiness by material gains and forget the many blessings for which they should be thankful.

Goats and Happiness

I like to illustrate this by a story told me many years ago about a Russian peasant in the time of the Czars. He went to his priest with a story about his unhappiness.

He was thinking about kill-

ing himself because his mother-in-law had come to live with his family in their one-room home. She had, he said, made life unbearable.

The priest advised him to get a goat and take it to live in the home. The peasant, though puzzled by that advice, followed it. A year later he came back to the priest.

"Life is worse than ever and I must kill myself," he told the priest. "No," said the priest, "buy another goat and take it into your home."

The peasant did as he was told, but at the end of that year he returned more depressed than ever. The odor of the goats and the ill temper of the mother-in-law was more than he could bear.

"What shall I do?" he asked the priest. "Get rid of the goats," said the priest. The peasant did as he was told, and a few weeks later returned to tell the priest he had never known such happiness.

"I am so thankful to be rid of the goats that I do not mind by mother-in-law in the least," the peasant told the priest.

Beef Club Gets Calves

One hundred and thirty-two calves met their new owners last Saturday when 104 4-H boys and girls met at the New Holland sales stables to draw numbers for their calves for the 1960 club season. This number of 4-H baby beef club members represents an increase of seven over last year.

Angus calves averaging 415 pounds each found new homes with 45 club members in Lancaster County. The Angus calves were purchased in Maryland, Virginia and in other parts of Pennsylvania.

A total of 57 boys and girls took home with them a Hereford calf to feed for the next 11 or 12 months. The "white faces" weighing an average of 405 pounds came from Colorado, West Virginia and Delaware. The two shorthorn calves (Turn to page 9)



YOU WILL HAVE TO GROW A LOT before you can be a champion, seems to be what Maria Frey, Quarryville R2, is telling her new steer calf at the drawing of 4-H club calves last Saturday at the New Holland sales stables. Earlier this month Maria showed the Southeast District 4-H round-up Grand Champion at the Lancaster Stock yards. This calf weighing just slightly over 500-pounds will have to gain around 2 pounds every day from now until next year at this time to become another champion. —LF PHOTO

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