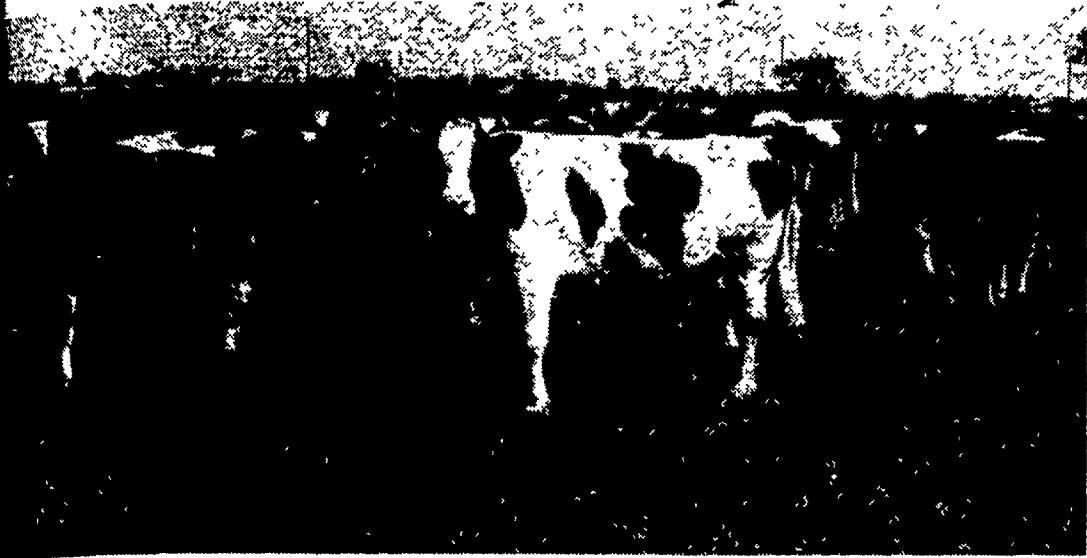


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CLARENCE KEENER BELIEVES IN HANDLING COWS gently if you expect the best results from them. Here are some of the high producing herd of 50 on the Manheim farm. The cow being held by Keener is a 10 year o'd daughter of the late Lauxmont Admiral Lucifer. All the cows in the herd are home raised from cows bred artificially with the bull maintained on the farm. The cows were contented on the lush Reed's barnyard grass pasture. L. F. PHOTO

Ton Of Milk Per Day On Clarence Keener Farm

A ton of milk a day is a lot of milk, but this is the amount of milk produced during the first 15 days of May by the 46 head of pure-bred Holsteins on the farm of Clarence L. Keener, Manheim R3.

However, it is not the dairy herd which has brought the most recent fame to the Keener family. The elder daughter Barbara, a senior at Manheim Central High school, was selected last month to represent Lancaster County Dairying as Miss Milk Maid of 1960.

Barbara has received some well-deserved publicity, but there is a story behind her success which is worth

telling too. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Keener do not work alone in their farming operation. The Keener farm is a family farm in the true sense of the word.

During the summer months when the girls are not in school, they may be seen driving a tractor across one of the 59 acres of legume hay on the farm. Nancy, a ninth grade student in high school, does her share of tractor driving while Barbara is one of the regular tractor operators in crushing or raking the alfalfa crops.

Clarence, Jr. is not a dairyman. His operation on two farms at Manheim R1, includes 72 steers, 8,000 to 10,000 pullets, 15 acres of tobacco, 57 acres of potatoes and grain crops. The younger Keener does not farm in partnership with his father, but the two men do trade work and share one set of farm machinery.

In addition to the family, Keener has a full time herdsman, Calvin Lord, and a teen age boy, Richard Oberholtzer, who attends school during the day and helps with the chores morning and evening.

The ton of milk per day during May was no accident. The 50 cows of milking age are in top condition and are managed with skill and understanding.

Alfalfa forms the basis of the feeding program on the farm. At the present time, the milking string gets green chopped alfalfa each evening but the diet is as varied as it can be made.

"Some people say they have trouble getting cows to eat enough," says Keener, "But I think part of it is because they don't have enough variety."

The herd is pastured during the day on Reed's Can- (Turn to Page 5)

June Is Dairy Month All Over America

Milk is always a good buy and food value. Milk gives excellent returns in high quality protein, calcium, riboflavin and other vitamins and minerals, according to Janet Coblenz, foods and nutrition specialist with the University of Delaware Extension Service.

So, she says—June being Dairy Month—give milk special consideration in your meals.

In a recent study of city family diets, dairy products took less than one-fifth of the money spent on food, yet provided two-thirds of the calcium and over two-fifths of the riboflavin, plus protein, vitamin A and energy value.

There are plenty of milk and milk products available, and the trend toward lower fluid milk prices is another reason to use more milk in daily meals, Miss Coblenz comments.

Dairy products are versatile foods and can be used alone or in combination with other foods.

At breakfast time—cook cereals in milk instead of water. Also, milk toast or french toast adds milk to the menu.

For other meals, milk soups and chowders are a nutritious way of combining milk with other foods. Fav-

orite main dishes include baked macaroni and cheese, souffle and fondues, creamed chicken, eggs, dried beef or fish.

Also, creamed vegetables add a tasty touch to many meals. And, to end up with many popular desserts are made with milk—custards and ice creams.

And don't forget cold milk drinks as a summertime refreshment... plain milk, chocolate milk, egg nogs, and milk shakes with ice cream.

Poultry Assn. May Scrap Queen Contest

Lancaster County may not have a poultry queen this year, a spokesman for the Lancaster County Poultry Association said last night.

The crowning of the queen and the chicken cooking contest, two of the features of the annual chicken barbecue at Lititz Springs park, came in for some discussion at a meeting of the directors of the association Thursday night.

The association had decided some time ago to discontinue the annual event in favor of a series of monthly barbecues at the poultry center where take-out chicken only will be served.

Reasons for the change were time and money spent in arranging for the event and falling off of interest in the cooking contest. Most of the members felt that the annual meeting had accomplished its original purpose of promoting the use of broilers through barbecues.

A committee headed by Robert Thompson of Moore's Hatchery has been appointed to study the possibility of holding the queen contest and coronation in conjunction with the August barbecue at the poultry center, but the directors voted not to enter the state contest even if one is held in the county.

The poultry cooking contest has been discontinued (Turn to page 14)

Summertime Is Flytime

Summertime is fly time and these pests will soon be hatching in large numbers everywhere there is a suitable place for the female to lay her eggs.

Chemical science has provided us with some materials which will go a long way toward controlling flies, but entomologists remind us that sanitation and destruction of natural breeding places is the best control method.

House flies, one of the most common of the summer pests, may require as little as eight to 10 days to complete the cycle from egg to adult, and there may be as many as 10 to 12 generations of flies in one season.

When insecticides are used on dairy and beef cattle, it is of utmost importance that only approved materials be used at the proper time and at the proper rate. This is absolutely necessary in order to prevent any chemical residues from appearing in the milk or meat.

Even when the farmstead is kept as clean as possible, a fly problem sometimes develops. When this happens, there are several methods and materials which can be used.

A "squeeze" type of sprayer has worked well on both dairy and beef herds at the Pennsylvania State University. These sprayers are set to spray when triggered by an animal walking between the nozzles. Emulsified concentrates using 1% pyrethrins and 10% synergist, preferably with a repellent, can be used satisfactorily with this type of sprayer. This concentrate is usually diluted one to 19 with water and can be used on both dairy and beef animals, PSU researchers say.

Aerosols and space sprays will usually give satisfactory control if used in closed rooms or stables. Aerosols containing at least 0.5% pyrethrins plus 5% synergist are most satisfactory.

Malathion gives effective control of horn flies. Extension entomologists recommend sprinkling three table spoons of 5% malathion dust over the neck and back of the animal and rubbing it (Turn to page 11)

Farm Work Schedule Lagging

Heavy rains over most of the State the early part of last week stopped nearly all farm work for several days. The Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service said in its weekly crop and weather roundup.

All of the State had either adequate or surplus soil moisture. In some areas where soil conditions permitted, farmers put in long hours in planting, cutting and spraying.

The rains have been favorable to the strawberry crop and most areas report an average set. However, a quality problem could develop with a sudden temperature drop. (Turn to page 12)

Three Youths From County To Attend Camp

Three active 4-H members will spend five days next week at a Huntingdon county training camp designed to prepare counselors, 4-H leaders and adult leaders for camp programs and other county and community recreation activities.

Camp Kanesatake, an Indian name meaning "camp at the top of the hill", is located about 20 miles south of The Pennsylvania State University.

Attending the camp from June 7 to 11 will be Darvin Boyd, Ephrata R3; Joanne Denlinger, Horseshoe Road, Lancaster; and Gerald Greiner, Manheim R4.

These three young 4-H leaders will participate in group activity in archery, handicrafts, music, inspirational programs, nature, photography, recreation and folk dancing, riflery, social dancing, planning evening programs, and understanding young people.

The camp is conducted under the direction of the Agricultural and Home Economics Extension service of The Pennsylvania State University.

Governor Asks Observance Of Dairy Month

Following is a statement by Governor David L. Lawrence urging observance of June as Dairy Month in Pennsylvania.

"Production of milk and other high quality dairy products has a long history in Pennsylvania. The Commonwealth is one of the Nation's great milk producing states. (Turn to page 12)

FIVE-DAY

WEATHER

FORECAST

Saturday - Wednesday
Temperatures for the next five days will average near the normal range of 81 degrees in the afternoon and 59 at night. A little cooler weather is expected over the weekend and little change thereafter. Showers occurring mostly Monday and Tuesday will average around one inch.

Farm Calendar

June 4—all day - Rose show in the lobby of the Farm Show building, Harrisburg

June 6-8 p.m. - First meeting and election of officers of the new County 4-H Council at the Lancaster Poultry Center, Roseville Road, Lancaster.

June 7-9 30 a.m. - Christmas tree pruning demonstration and management discussion on the farm of C. H. Good, Manheim R2. Demonstration by E. P. Farrand, Extension forester from Penn State.

June 12-00 noon - Dr. William Henning, Secretary of the Pennsylvania Dept. of Agriculture will address the Lancaster Kiwanis club in Hotel Brunswick.

June 1 to 5 p.m. - Harvestore (Turn to page 14)