Southern Future Farmers Visit Lancaster County

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The group, on a 2,300 mile Pequea Valley FFA club.

with Henry Givler, teacher local FFA chapters. tor about \$1.15 per pound

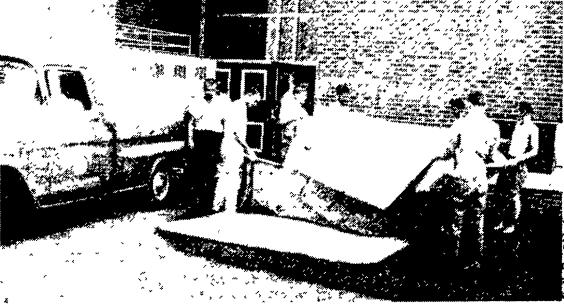
After a visit to see the

Eight Future Farmers of new hog raising system be-America and their advisor ing installed by John Eby, America and their actions in mistailed by John Eby, from Wilkes Courty, North New Holland, another student took a look at agnetic the state of their this week and litted their the week and litted their terms. county this week and liked their long trip with a dip in a farm pond

Making their way in a tip through all the North truck bought and outfitted Atlantic coast states, except with camping gear by the New Jersey, and into Cana-FFA club, the North Caroda, stopped off to spend the lina Future Farmers are conight as the guests of the oking their own meals and bedding down in schools al-On Monday afternoon ong their route as guests of

dried alfalfa, and growing leadership qualities and attrip by the boys and their tead tobacco. Very little tobacco tendance at meetings throu-SR Pearson, one of the two or Aromatic tobacco selling treasurer as well as two state farmers.

Chaperoning the boys was



of vocational agriculture as guide, the visitors observed the farm of Ellis Mentzer seniors chosen from the land R1, where they saw a boys on the basis of Superpurebred Ayrshire herd, vised Farming Programs, died alfalfa, and growing leadership qualities and attrip by the boys and their teacher of vocational agriculture.

The eight members of the MEMBERS OF THE WILKESBORO, N. C. Future Farmers chapter prepare to spend the night at the Pequea Valley High School Six of the eight boys on the trip unroll some of their camping equipment under the watchful eye of their FFA advisor, S. R. Pearson; nearest the truck The visiting Future Farmers accepted the hospitality of the Pequea Valley chapter as they passed through the county on a 2300 mile trip through the North Atlantic coast states and Canada. The truck was bought and prepared or the trip by the boys and their teacher of vocational agriculture.

— L. F. PHOTO

is grown in Wilkes County, gh the year The group in- teachers of vocational agri- to have you mention Lancasthe visitors said, and most cluded the chapter president culture at the Wilkesboro - ter Farming when answering of what is grown is Turkish secretary, reporter, and the North Wilkesboro consoli- advertisements. dated High School

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Prospects for an above average peach crop continue good Orchards are expected to yield 29 million bushels, the same as the 1959 crop and 13 per cent greater than the average during the past 10 years

A crop of 100,000 bushels of pears is expected to be harvested This is a sight decrease from last year's 110,bu hels

Pennsylvania's three leading apple varieties, York, Stayman and Red Delicious. have the poorest set this year The minor varieties all seem to have a good set and comprise aimost half the 5.8 million bushel crop The apples are sizing well, and the moisture situation is the best in a number of years With all the moisture, there has been some trouble with scab and other pests, but this condition is generally not severe

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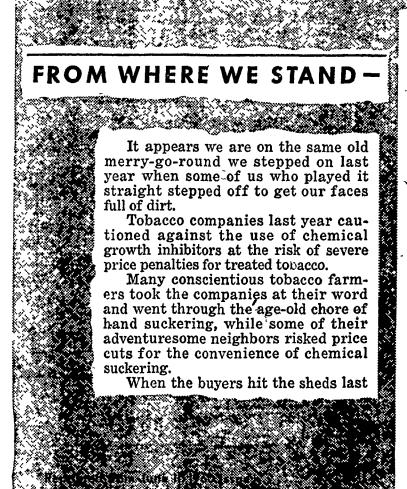
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fall, most of the tobacco was sold before the conscientious farmers had time to say, "But I suckered mine by

What happened to the promised differential in price? Several farmers reported that the buyer did not even ask how the suckers were removed from the crop.

While the buying companies insist that they will not knowingly buy treated tobacco, they readily admit that treated tobacco, in many instances, does not show adverse physical effects that can be detected on the auction floor.

Tobacco bought on the auction floor is one thing, but the Lancaster county tobacco market is another.

In many cases the buyers were on the farms during the growing season, and still no premium was paid for the hand suckered crop.

If the tobacco companies intend to discriminate against the chemically treated tobacco, they made a poor start last season. There will be many more farmers willing to test them out again this year.

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Various statements have been circulated giving a misleading impression of the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture's attitude on MH-30. Actually, the Department has refused to prejudge this chemical. It is engaged in careful, scientific review of MH-30. This will require many months.

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