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LOOKING OVER THE SITE OF THE PROPOSED AG CENTER just off Arcadia Road are (left to right) Elmer Esbenshade, 1320 Manheim Pike, and publicity committee member Willis Z. Esbenshade, 1613 Esbenshade Road, Lancaster; Levi Brubaker, 2061 Marietta Avenue, and John Herr, Lancaster R7, Chairman of the committee. In the left background is the American Co. Tobacco warehouse while to the right in the background is the Lancaster Pump Mfg. plant on the Manheim Pike. The men are looking in the direction of the Poultry Center on the 230 Bypass and Roseville Road. Herr holds a map showing the location of the proposed Route 30 Bypass which will form one side of the lot on which the proposed Ag Center will be located. The Pennsylvania Highways Department will not locate an access to the Bypass in the vicinity of the site. —L.F. Photo

Ag. Center Committees Make Tentative Plans

Plans for the development of the proposed Agriculture Center were one step nearer realization as the committees appointed last week began to function.

The publicity committee, of way from the site to the with John Herr, Lancaster Manheim Pike. At the present time, the only access to week at the site of the proposed building to map a proposed Arcadia Road.

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program of information for the rural residents of the county.

The committee announced that the highway department has approved another right

It was also announced that the proposed Route 30 Bypass will take 70 feet more width than was originally planned, therefore the plot of ground on which the Agriculture Center will be located will be 35 feet narrower (Turn to page 8)

Risser Is Head Tester Of Red Rose D.H.I.A.

Jay Risser, Lampeter Rd., Lancaster, was appointed head tester by the board of directors of the Red Rose Dairy Herd Improvement Association, meeting in executive session Tuesday night

Pisser succeeds Curtis Akers, Quarryville R2, who will leave the association to enter farming near Mechanics Grove, south of Quarryville.

In other business the association heard a petition from the testers for a five cents per cow increase to be paid by the herd owners. The request had been passed unanimously by the testers at their meeting earlier this month, but upon reconsideration of the propos-

al, a committee of four testers decided that the raise was too drastic and unfair to the herd owners.

The committee represented at the meeting by Jay Risser and Harold Lindcamp, in a written statement, cited the additional expenses to the association in the form of Social Security payments and wages to the testers, and offered a

Beef Club Plans Show

Members of the Red Rose 4-H Baby Beef and Lamb club will turn the tables on their parents next Wednesday evening (November 2) as the club holds Parent's Night. The program will be presented by the mothers and fathers of the club members.

Club members are requested to bring completed record (Turn to page 5)

County Boy Wins Tractor Driving Regional Contest

Kenneth Rutt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Rutt, Quarryville R2, won second place in the Southeast District 4-H Tractor Driving contest last week end at the Allentown Fairground.

Rutt, who won the right to represent the county by taking first place in the competition at Solanco Fair last month, placed first in the "trouble shooting" phase of the three event contest. District competition was limited to county winners.

FIVE - DAY WEATHER FORECAST

Saturday - Wednesday
Temperatures are expected to average two to five degrees above the normal range of 41 at night to 59 in the afternoon during the next five days. Little day to day change in temperatures is expected. Precipitation may total 1/4 to 1/2 inch occurring Saturday and again Wednesday.

Soil Tests Help Farmers Reap Record Harvests

No Penn State researcher has checked a corn yield of less than 100 bushels per acre this year if the farmer had his soil tested and followed recommendations of the University, Professor James Eakin told county farmers this week.

Speaking to some 30 farmers and seedmen at the Extension Service corn plots on the Richard Hess farm south of Strasburg, Eakin said he considers soil testing one of the most important steps in the production of high yielding corn.

Eakin also cited the development of high yielding hybrids as being one of the factors in the record breaking yields predicted in the county this year. He pointed out that only two or three of the hybrids planted in the county demonstration plots in 1949 had lasted to this year.

"The old standby, U. S. 13, is still around. It is like a

model T; it just won't wear out," he said. Most of the commercial hybrids in use today have some of the same inbred lines used in the original U. S. 13 cross, he added.

While many of the newer hybrids will outperform U. S. 13, it is still used as a yardstick in evaluating new crosses.

Harvesting of the demonstration plot at the Leroy Rutt farm, Elizabethtown R1, revealed the highest yield (Turn to page 12)

Livestock Tour Will Visit York Co. Farms

Livestock feeders will observe paper making as well as livestock feeding operations on the annual Lancaster County Livestock tour next week.

Beginning at 7:30 a.m. at the Lancaster Bus Station and ending again in Lancaster at about 5:00 p.m., November 3, the tour will offer a full day of sightseeing to cattle and hog feeders and their families.

In addition to the trip thru a paper mill at Spring Grove the group will make a stop at Dewco farms near Hanover where 720 steers are fed automatically from the 5,000 tons of silage stored there. Also to be seen will be automatic corn crib unloading and a "western style" operation.

Ambrose Keller, Freeland, Maryland, feeds 150 head of hogs with a mechanical feeder which will be seen.

Two other stops include the 60 cow herd of Herefords at the farm of Edwin Caudill Shrewsbury, Pa. and the new steer barn and mechanical feed handling operation for the 200 steers at the farm of James Quisenberry, Stewartstown, Pa.

Farm Women Plan County Convention

A fashion show featuring clothing made and exhibited by county 4-H sewing club members will be one of the highlights on the program of the County Farm Women's Societies when they convene for their annual sessions on Saturday, November 5.

Delegates from the 26 societies, meeting in the Manheim Township High School Auditorium, will hold the annual election and installation of county officers.

Shirley Hershey Exhibits Champion 4-H Capons

A first year capon club member carried off the big award in the county competition Tuesday as 21 members exhibited three birds each at the luncheon of the Kiwanis Club of Lancaster.

Shirley Hershey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hershey, Manheim R1, dressed out her three Barred Cross birds during the morning before the show.

The capons, purchased in

early June from Wilmarth Farms, Kingsley, Pa., were on feed less than five months and averaged just about 12 pounds each.

David Lapp, Bareville R1, took top award in the total score phase of the roundup with a total of 98.8 out of a possible 100 points on 200 White Rocks. The score included score of the exhibit as well as management and (Turn to page 5)



BEAMING WITH PRIDE, Shirley Hershey proudly accepts the compliments of Judge Harry Kauffman, extension Poultry Specialist, for the work she did in winning the championship of the 4-H capon club sponsored by the Lancaster Kiwanis club Tuesday. Shirley, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hershey, Manheim R1, showed three of her 12-pound birds to win the rosette. —L.F. Photo

FARM CALENDAR

Oct 29 — 7:30 p. m. - 4-H County Council Halloween party at the East Petersburg School

Nov 1 — 4:30 - Meeting of the Lancaster County teachers of Vocational Agriculture at the Pequea Valley High School.

Nov 2-8 — 8:00 p.m. - Red Rose Baby Beef and Lamb Club meets at the Landisville Elementary School.

Nov 3 — 2:30 p.m. - Lancaster York area Future Farmers of America Leadership Training Conference at Penn-Manor High School.

7:30 a.m. - Lancaster County Livestock tour leaves Lancaster by bus. Stops are scheduled in York Co. and northern Maryland.

Nov 4-6 — to 9 p.m. - Open House at Maurice Good's Eastern States Center.

8:00 p.m. - County 4-H entomology club exhibit at the Farm Bureau building, Dillerville Road.

Nov 5-10:00 a.m. - Convention of the County Farm Women's Societies at the Manheim Township High School Auditorium, Neffsville.