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TRYING TO SEE THE EFFECTS OF DRAINAGE tile under several inches of snow is not the easiest thing. James Kreider, Quarryville R1, right, explains to George Dabrowski, Warsaw Poland, how he put a length of metal pipe at the end of the tile drainage pipe to prevent trampling of the clay pipes by his cattle. The old, discarded bathtub, almost buried by the snow, makes a very serviceable watering trough for dairy cattle. —L. F. Photo

Co. Colder Than Poland Visitor Said This Week

Winters in Poland are colder, but not as rough as here, a visitor to Lancaster County said this week.

George Dabrowski, a farm years planner in the Bureau of Reclamation, Department of Agriculture, Warsaw Poland, when asked about the weather in Poland as compared with the weather he has seen during the last month here, said, "We have more frost in Poland. Maybe a week of zero temperatures, but here every day is different. It is much rougher here."

He immediately got assurances that it is much rougher here this year than most

Dabrowski, spending a year in the United States under the auspices of the Brethren Service Commission, is at present living on the farm of James Kreider, Quarryville R1, where he will learn dairying and drainage. His major field of interest is irrigation and drainage, but his secondary interest is dairying. At the Kreider farm he helps to care for 40-plus head of dairy cattle. (Turn to page 6)

Vegetable Growers Elect, Funk To Serve 5th Year

Amos Funk, Lancaster County's largest vegetable grower was reelected to his fourth consecutive term as president of the Pennsylvania Vegetable Growers' Association this week.

The Millersville R1 vegetable farmer was named to his fifth term by members at the annual meeting at Pennsylvania State University. Funk served one term as president in 1948.

Another Lancaster Countyman was returned to office by the state organization. Rudolph Gorb, also of Millersville R1 was elected to his fourth term as secretary-treasurer.

The state association is planning exploration of a program of roadside stand labeling, Funk said, to identify stands selling farm-fresh produce.

Too many stands are selling store purchased items under the guise of freshly harvested produce, Funk pointed out.

Consumers, by checking the label of the stands can



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be sure of freshness, he said. Funk called attention to a similar program recently inaugurated in New Jersey, which, he said, has been very successful.

In other action the association approved the formation of a canning crops research committee composed of growers, processors and government research officials.

The committee is expected to take immediate action aimed at combating the large cutback in processing tomato. (Turn to page 13)

FIVE-DAY WEATHER FORECAST

Saturday - Wednesday

Temperatures during the next five days are expected to average five to ten degrees below the normal range of 23 at night to 38 in the afternoon. Cold through Saturday with a moderating trend thereafter. Precipitation during the period may total 0.1 to 0.4 inches, melted, occurring as snow Saturday and again at the end of the period.

34 County Future Farmers Win Red Rose Farmer Degrees

Thirty-four County Future Farmers Monday night won the Red Rose Degree during the first year the award has been offered.

The degree, which will be conferred on the blue jacketed future farmers at their regular county meeting February 27 at New Holland, requires that the recipient be engaged in a farming program to the extent of \$100 or more investment.

The applicant must have completed at least two years of instruction in vocational agriculture, have held the chapter farmer degree for at least one year, and have held positions of leadership in the local chapter.

Following are the FFA members who have earned the degree: James Benedict Mountville; Samuel Metzler, Holtwood R1; John H. Brubaker, Willow Street R1; Melvin Dombach, Lancaster R6; Sterling Elmer, Lancaster R6, all of Penn Manor High School.

Also Irvin W. Engle, Marietta R1; Kenneth D. Myer, Elizabethtown R3; Paul Wolgemuth, Jr., Elizabethtown R3; and Jacob Saylor, Elizabethtown R3, all of Elizabethtown Area High School.

Also C. David Lichty, Paradise; James R. Eby, Kinzers R1; and John W. Eby, Jr., Gordonville R1, all of Pequea Valley High School.

Also Larry H. Rohrer, Lititz R2; Clarence Bauman, of Lancaster R7; Leslie Risser, Lancaster R4; Paul Welk, of Lancaster R4. (Turn to page 6)

Mark Myer Elected By Poultrymen

Mark Myer, Lampeter, was reelected to his second consecutive term as president of the Lancaster County Poultry Association at a meeting of the board of directors on Thursday night.

Charles Warfel, Conestoga R2 and Daniel K. Good, Columbia R2 were returned to the offices of secretary and treasurer respectively.

Ben Burkholder, New Holland was elected to succeed Eugene Cassel as vice president.

The board voted to continue Glenn H. Herr, of East Petersburg, as auction manager for another year.

Treasurer Good reported (Turn to Page 5)

Ranck Herd Tops D.H.I.A. Records

The 22 registered Holsteins in the herd of Parke H. Ranck, Ronks R1, posted the high butterfat average for the month of December, 1961, a report made public this week shows.

The Ranck herd produced an average of 1,497 pounds of milk with a 4.1 per cent test, and 61 pounds of butterfat during the month.

Three herds tied for second place with 56 pounds of fat for the month. George M. Weaver, Narvon R1, with a herd of 22 mixed cows made the record with 1,440 pounds of milk with 3.9 per cent fat.

The 23 registered Holsteins in the herd of Robert Kauffman, Manheim R1, produced 1,319 pounds of milk with a (Turn to page 12)

Abe Bucher On State Committee For Farmers Home Administration

Abram G. Bucher, 1114 Ross Street, Lancaster, has been appointed to the state advisory committee of the Farmers Home Administration, it was announced last week by state director Geo. M. Hummer.

Bucher succeeds James A. Beaver, Bellefonte, whose term expired December 31, 1960.

Bucher, who was manager of farmer Relations with the Lancaster County Na-

Breeding Co-op District Meet Is Scheduled

Delegates to the seventh annual meeting of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Artificial Breeding cooperative will be elected at the annual district meeting of stockholders February 23 at the Landisville fire hall.

One delegate for each 300 members plus a member for each breed reporting committee will be elected at the meeting scheduled to get underway at 7:30 p.m.

Harvey Shaffer, dairy specialist from Pennsylvania State University will discuss, "Dairying, Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow".

The date of the seventh annual meeting of the cooperative is March 8.

FARM CALENDAR

Feb. 6—1:00 p.m. - Meeting of the Lancaster County Celery Growers at the farm of Amos Funk, Millersville R1.

4:30 p.m. - Meeting of the Lancaster County Teachers of Vocational Agriculture at Cocalico H. S. (Turn to page 14)