

## Tobacco Planting, Hay Making Head Work Parade This Week

Tobacco planting continued to hold the spotlight on Lancaster county farms this week. With over half the crop planted, many farmers are giving the fields first cultivations. Weather has been ideal in most cases and the plants in the field are in excellent condition. The southern part of the county missed out on several of the thundershowers which hit the northern area, but crops are not yet suffering from lack of moisture.

Warm nights and hot days are pushing the corn crop. Weeds threatened to become a problem, but with several hot days for cultivation, most of the county fields are cleaned up and the crop is in good condition, though about a week late.

Hay making continued with quite a few crops being made between showers and the forage of poor quality. Farmers reported hay cured slowly on several of the humid days during the past week.

Ideal weather last week gave Pennsylvania farmers an opportunity to bring spring work schedules up to date, the State Crop Reporting Service said Tuesday in its weekly crop and weather summary.

Weather conditions gave a boost to state vegetable producers: Asparagus harvest is now practically completed except in the Erie area. Sweet corn is making rapid growth. Tomatoes are showing fast development with

planting completed. Snap beans and lima beans are displaying better color and growth and harvesting of early Alaska variety green peas is starting in the south central section of the State.

Fruit is sizing satisfactorily and orchardists are busy mowing and spraying to control disease and insects.

The late summer crop of potatoes in the southeast quarter of the State appears good and planting of fall potatoes is virtually complete except in northern areas.

The small grain crop looks good. Barley in southern and eastern sections of the State is headed and turning yellow with only a few fields in the eastern counties having some lodging. Wheat is generally headed throughout the State and condition is reported good. Oats are generally in the pre-boot stage in all areas with conditions ranging from fair to good.

Pasture conditions are good throughout the State. Hay is reported to be of good quality. There has been very little bug damage and spraying for spittle bug has about been completed.

### Future Farmers

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Chapter while one gold medal was won by students of Penn Manor, Cocalico and Lampeter-Strasburg.

Martin Wenrich, Cocalico H. S. won a gold medal for second place in the Land Judging contest and will be

awarded a trip to places of interest in or near Pennsylvania. Other county winners in the Land Judging contest were Harold Lefever, Solanco H. S., silver, and Carl Gehman, Garden Spot H. S., bronze.

In the Livestock Judging contest, John Eby, Pequea Valley High School, won a gold medal for fifth place among 155 contestants and will receive a trip to the State Fair at Richmond, Va. on September 25. He will represent the state in judging contests there. Merle Conrad, Penn Manor won a silver award while Carl Gindler, Donegal and Paul Welk, Lampeter-Strasburg won bronze medals in the contest.

David Scheref of Warwick was the only contestant to win a gold medal in the Dairy Judging contest with 229 con-

testants. Edwin Harnish, Solanco won a silver award, while Robert Freeman, Garden Spot took a bronze medal and Jacob Harnish, Manor Central won honorable mention in the largest contest of the meet.

Wilbur Graybill, Warwick and Glenn Hess, Penn Manor brought home gold awards in the Farm Mechanics contest while Dale Herr, Solanco and Mervin Breckbill, Lampeter-Strasburg placed in the honorable mention section of the contest which had 131 contestants.

Dale Hostetter, Pequea Valley brought home a gold award from the Meats Judging contest while Kenneth Sauders, Garden Spot finished in the silver award lists.

A gold medal went to Kenneth Meck, Lampeter-Strasburg, in the Poultry Contest

which saw 88 boys in competition. Lehman Metzler, of Penn Manor finished in the bronze award division.

John Brubaker, Penn Manor, was Lancaster County's lone winner in the Agronomy contest. He won a silver medal in the field of 58 boys. A bronze medal went to Richard Guyer, Solanco, as Lancaster County's only winner in the Dairy Products Contest.

### Milk Market

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densome as in the past two weeks.

Bottling demand was mostly fair as surplus offerings moved to separators.

Wholesale selling price in New York ranged from \$4.25 to \$4.40 mostly \$4.30 and \$4.35 per 40 quart unit of bottling quality milk

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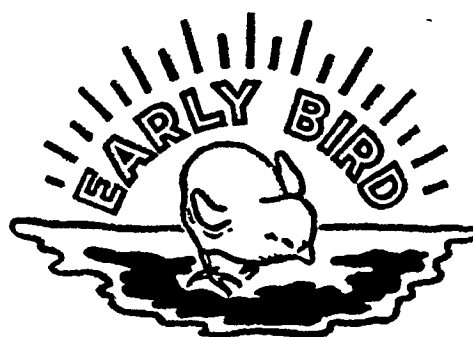
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