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County Flock Has 1 for 2 Feed Conversion

A flock of Lancaster County broilers has accomplished a feat just about comparable to running the four-minute mile.

H. Harold Miller, Conestoga R2, fed a flock of 1,700 Hubbard Silver Cross cockerels for eight weeks. When the birds were sold and weighed, they tipped the scales at 4.01 pounds each, an almost unbelievable weight for that age.

As if this were not enough when feed conversion on the flock was figured out, it was discovered that the birds had produced every pound of meat with less than two pounds of feed. The actual conversion ratio figure was 1.98.

Miller, who hand fed the birds throughout said he attributes much of the success of the flock to the weather. The weather after the birds (Turn to page 13)

Swine Producers Schedule Meets

The Lancaster County Swine Producers Association has scheduled two sales and an annual meeting and banquet for 1962, according to James Z. Martin, association secretary.

A bred gilt and fall boar sale is set for February 24 at the Paul Z. Martin Sales Barn in Blue Ball. The date of the annual market hog sale at the Lancaster Union Stockyards is tentatively set as March 14.

Breeders wishing to consign purebred gilts and boars or crossbred gilts sired by purebred boars to the February sale should list consignments with sales manager Earl Fisher, East Earl R1, by January 10, Martin said. Gilts for the sale should be bred after November 10.

Date of the annual meeting was announced as March 23, but Martin said no site has been selected.

FARM CALENDAR

Nov. 6 to 10—Pennsylvania Livestock Exposition in Farm Show Building, Harrisburg.

Nov. 6th—7 p.m. - Home Economics 4-H Leaders club banquet at Hostetters banquet hall, Mount Joy

Nov. 7—4:30 p.m. - Lancaster County Teachers of Vocational Agriculture meet at Manheim Central High School.

Nov. 9—10 a.m. - Agronomy dealers meeting at Hostetter's banquet room, Mount Joy.

7:30 p.m. - District seven of Interstate Milk Producers Cooperative at the Lafayette fire hall, Lincoln Highway east of Lancaster.

Nov. 11—2 p.m. - Chicken Bar-B-Que - by the Lancaster County Poultry Association at the Poultry Center

Nov. 11 to 16 — Eastern National Livestock Exposition at Timonium, Maryland.



MEATINESS AND SMOOTH FLESH COVERING placed these birds at the top of the competition, judge Carl Dossin, Extension Poultry Specialist from the Pennsylvania State University, left explained at the Lancaster County 4-H Capon club roundup at the Hotel Brunswick this week. Shirley Hershey, second from left, presents her champion entry while Garry Porter holds his runner-up bird. John C. Long, second from right, chairman of the Lancaster Kiwanis Club agriculture committee arranged the program. Twenty club members entered three birds each in the competition. —L. F. Photo.

Capon Club Champion Is Repeater

A Lititz R1 girl with a flair for feeding chickens came up with her second consecutive win in the Lancaster County 4-H Capon club competition Tuesday as members of the club were guests of the Lancaster Kiwanis Club at luncheon in the Hotel Brunswick.

Shirley Hershey, daughter of Mr and Mrs. Richard Hershey exhibited three dressed birds that averaged out 8½ pounds "My birds were not quite as heavy as the champions last year" Miss Hershey said Her capons last year weighed in at a hefty 12 pounds per bird

Miss Hershey, a 13-year-old student at Warwick Junior High School, turned in the second championship entry in as many tries. She began her second year project with (Turn to page 12)

Garden Spot FFA Reelects Weaver

Larry Weaver, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester M. Weaver, New Holland R1, was re-elected president of the Grasslands Chapter of Future Farmers of America at a recent meeting of the club.

Larry, an 11th grade vocational agriculture student, won the safe tractor driving contest recently at the New Holland Fair.

Other officers include Wilmer Martin, New Holland R. D. 1, vice president; Richard Martin, East Earl R1, secretary; Carl Gehman, Mohnton R2, treasurer; Clyde Wissler, New Holland R1, sentinel; Warren Good, Narvon R1, reporter; Kenneth Martin, of Denver R1, chaplain.

Assistant officers elected include Kenneth Sauder, vice president; Douglas Weaver, secretary; Tony Folker, treasurer; Roy Musser, sentinel; Marlin Benner, reporter, and Leon Weaver, chaplain.

Advisors of the club are Robert Herr and Gene Daugherty, teachers of vocational agriculture at Garden Spot High School, New Holland.

FIVE-DAY WEATHER FORECAST

Saturday - Wednesday
Temperature during the next five days is expected to average near normal to a few degrees above the normal range of 39 at night to 58 in the afternoon. Warmer temperatures during beginning of the period expected to give way to cooler at the middle and end of the period. Precipitation may total over ½ in. falling as some showers Saturday and as possible more general rain toward the end of the period.

Need Resource Planning, Economist Tells Rotary

Financial success is going to go to the areas with processing facilities as well as production facilities, Members of the Lancaster Rotary Club and their farmer guests were told this week.

William M. Carroll, Policy and Public Affairs officer for Agriculture Extension at the Pennsylvania State University, urged cooperation between farmers and processors in planning resource management on a local basis.

Carroll told the 140 members and 86 farmers present at the luncheon meeting at the Hotel Brunswick Thursday, "This area has the best consumer market in the world."

Within a 200 mile radius of Lancaster county there are 50 million consumers and they have more purchasing power than a comparable number of people anywhere else in the world, Carroll said, "But it is not enough to just produce the raw material."

Agronomy Men Meet Next Week

One of 11 Penn State Extension agronomy meetings covering Pennsylvania will be held at Hostetter's banquet room in Mount Joy on November 9 beginning at 10 a.m.

A program of interest to seed and fertilizer dealers and custom spray operators will draw participants from Chester, Dauphin, Delaware, Lebanon, Philadelphia, York and southern Berks Counties in addition to Lancaster (Turn to page 12)

Local Couple Is Honored By Breed Assn.

Brattleboro, Vt. — Herbert and Rhelda E. Royer, 2025 Oregon Pike, have qualified for the Progressive Breeders' Award—the highest recognition attainable by a breeder of registered Holstein cattle.

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The Royer herd completed (Turn to page 4)

Holstein Assn. To Hold Banquet

The 11th annual meeting and banquet of the Lancaster County Holstein-Friesian Association will be held November 13 at 6.45 p.m. at the Dutch Town and Country Restaurant near Vintage.

Featured speaker on the program will be Grant Hurst who will have as his subject, "Developing a Good Sense of Humor".

Tickets for the banquet may be purchased from any member of the banquet committee before Monday, Nov. 6, a spokesman for the committee said. Committee members are Elvin M. Rohrer, Jr. of 2529 Horseshoe Road, Lancaster; Clyde M. Buchen, of Manheim R3, and Ray Bollinger, of Stevens R1 (Turn to page 5)

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Countians At Conservation Annual Meeting

Bloomsburg — Urban residents gain more from conservation programs than farmers, according to Amos Funk and Elmer V. Good of the Lancaster County Soil Conservation District

They were delegates attending a two-day conference here Demonstrating advantages of land management to city dwellers who are physically and psychologically out of touch with farm problems (Turn to page 5)