

LANCASTER COUNTY GUERNSEY BREEDERS elected three members to their board of directors for terms of three years at their annual banquet meeting at Quarryville last Friday night. Ellis Denlinger, Gordonville R1, left and Deiter Linde, Kirdwood R1, were elected to replace Samuel Groff, Peach Bottom; Harold Herr, Kirkwood, and Rohrer Witmer, Willow Street R2. John Landis, 1804 Hempstead Road, Lancaster, was also elected, but was not present when picture was taken. Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Witmer, Willow Street received a trophy for the highest producing Guernsey herd in the county association. Their record of 595 lbs. of butterfat per cow was just one pound under the record of last year when they also received the trophy.

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About 20 pairs of identical twin female dairy calves are needed by U. S. Department of Agriculture scientists, for use in management and nutrition studies at the Agricultural Research Center, Beltsville, Md.

The calves can be either purebred or high-grade animals of the five major dairy breeds. They can be of any age up to 20 months.

The calves are being sought primarily within a 250-mile radius of Washington, D. C., to hold shipping costs to a minimum. This area includes Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, and southeast Pennsylvania.

Owners willing to sell identical-twin heifer calves that meet USDA specifications

are requested to write Dr. R. D. Plowman, Dairy Catt'e Research Branch, Animal Husbandry Research Division of Washington, D. C., who find identical-twin calves in their herds may be able to make a substantial contribution to research that benefits the dairy industry.

Identical-twin calves are rare. They develop from a single cell and are always the same sex. The twins look very much alike and react in much the same manner. Their markings frequently are repeated on the same or opposite sides.

Identical calves are useful in research because of their similar physical reactions. Experiments with a single pair give results as reliable as those from tests made with several animals less closely related. The Beltsville scientists will use the twin calves to study effects of various feeding and management practices on the health and productivity of dairy cattle. Of special interest to dairymen will be man-

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Farm-City Week in the Keystone State is expected to be a demonstration of true "partners in progress", the theme for this year's observance, according to W. C. Cochrane, assistant director of the Agricultural and Home Economics Extension Service, who is state chairman for the Week. Farm-City Week begins Nov. 17 and ends Thanksgiving Day.

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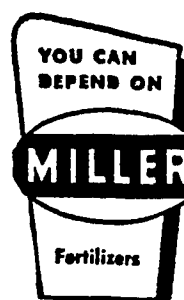
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