

County Dancers To Do-Si-Do At Farm Show

Three teams of square dancers from Lancaster County will be among the 60 teams from 28 counties in competition at the 1962 Pennsylvania State Farm Show.

Competing for \$750 in prize premiums on Tuesday night, January 9 in the large arena of the farm show building will be two groups made up mostly of Senior Extension club members and a group of twins.

The colorful attraction, featuring dancers in special costumes will be the fifth presentation of the annual folk dance festival at the farm show. The three divisions of the contest - Division A for dancers under 21 years old, Division B - for dancers over 21, and Division C - for mixed-age squares will be judged separately. In the B division will be eight dancers from the Sister Twin Association, led by Erma Noll, Reinholds.

In the C Division Warren Miller of Columbia R1 will lead the square from the Monongahela Senior Extension Club and William S Endsley. Marietta will lead the Mamonde Hall Dance Group of the Lancaster County Senior Extension Club.

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Ag Center Drive Lists Chairmen

Two well-known Lancaster County businessmen will be prominently identified with the Lancaster County Agricultural Center Fund Campaign. Mr. Jesse Snavely, Jr. and Mr. Lawrence H. Skromme, will serve as Co-Chairmen of the Major Gifts Division in the forthcoming building fund drive. This was made known today by Levi H. Brubaker and Leslie S. Hubbard, General Co-Chairmen of the Campaign.

Snavely, a resident of Landisville, is president of the J. C. Snavely & Sons, Inc. He is a familiar figure in philanthropic circles, having twice served as Area Chairman of the Lancaster County United Fund and served in top posts in two capital drives for the Lancaster General Hospital. A member of the Landisville Church of God, Mr Snavely also holds membership in the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce and the Lancaster Rotary Club.

Skromme is vice-president of the New Holland Machine Company, Division of Sperry Rand Corporation in New Holland. A member of the Grandview Heights Methodist Church, he is a past president of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers and a director of the Conestoga Valley Association. He resides at 2150 Landis Valley Road, Lancaster.

The Major Gift Division of this campaign will be comprised of twelve teams of five members each and will be geared to contact approximately four hundred of the potentially larger contributors throughout the County. Following the solicitation of the farming communities, it will be the second phase of the drive. It is scheduled to start its campaign the early part of February, 1962.

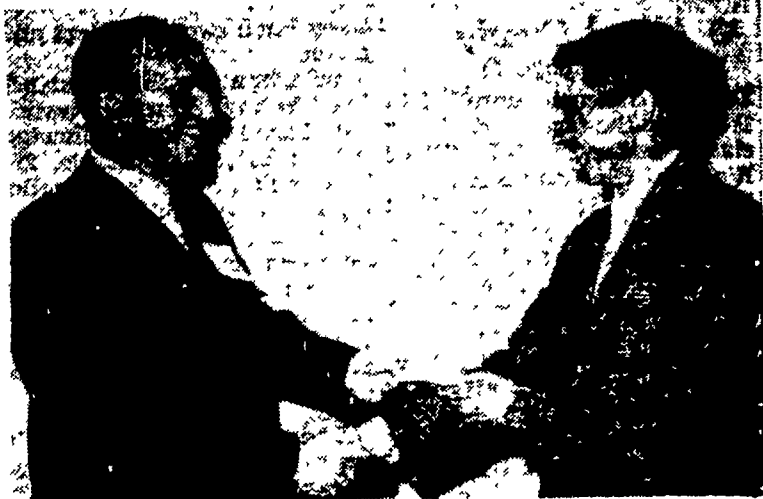
Names of Captains and team members will be announced in the near future.

Food Shortage Causes Squirrels To Migrate

Lack of acorns and other nuts in the forest caused squirrels to migrate long distances early this fall in Pennsylvania—even as far as 70 miles. This is reported by the Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit at the Pennsylvania State University.

One gray squirrel killed by a hunter in Blair County had been tagged in Cameron County, a distance of at least 70 miles, reports Ward M. Sharp, leader of the Cooperative Wildlife Research unit.

Gray squirrels were seen crossing roads in uncommon numbers from August 20 to September 10, he adds. Often the forests were one-half mile from either side of the highway. Although uncommon in many counties,



KENNETH E. PORTER of R. D. 1, Washington Boro, right, won a \$200 Esso Standard Oil 4-H scholarship during the recent Ag. Hill Party at the Pennsylvania State University. A junior in agronomy, Porter is congratulated by Bruce E. Wright, left, of Esso. Over \$22,000 in scholarships and awards were presented to 100 students in the College of Agriculture.

black squirrels were also frequently seen during this migration.

Along Route 220 in Centre County the number of gray squirrels killed on the highway numbered one for every mile during early September, Dr. Sharp says. Similar reports were received from several counties, especially on the Allegheny Mountain Plateau including Clearfield, Elk and Cameron Counties.

"Squirrels are known to determine when there is a failure in the nut crop—even before fall and winter foods have matured," Dr.

Sharp states. He says there is no acute food shortage at present.

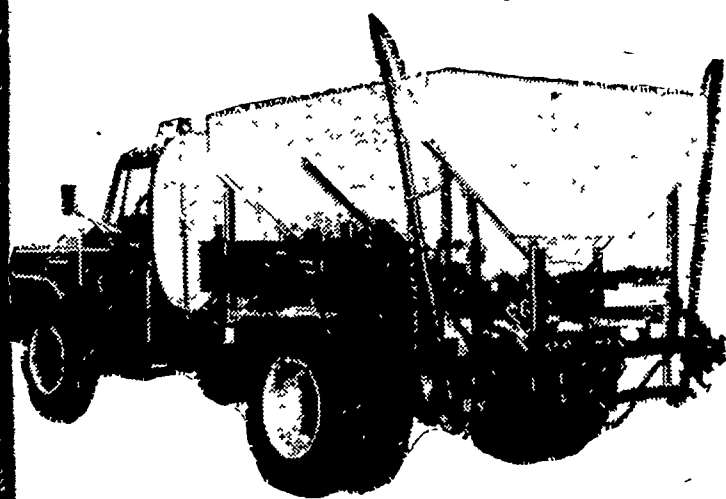
A first record of a gray squirrel swimming across a lake was reported in 1961. The squirrel, seen by a fisherman, swam across Black Moshannon Reservoir in Centre County on Labor Day.

Clean the garden tools thoroughly before they are put away for the winter, suggests A. O. Rasmussen, Penn State extension ornamental horticulturist. Check for the needed repairs and coat the tools with grease to keep rust away.

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