

## Sheep Scabies Eradication Program Started

Lancaster County farmers were asked this week to cooperate with the Pennsylvania State Department of Agriculture in a program to eradicate sheep scabies.

County agent M. M. Smith said this week, employees of the Bureau of Animal Industry, under the direction of Dr. Homer Forney, district veterinarian for the agency, will inspect every sheep farm in the commonwealth for the presence of sheep scabies or any other skin disease. All sheep flocks, no matter how small must be inspected

Scabies, Smith explained is a disease caused by a small mite which burrows under the skin of sheep causing inflammation and itch. The sheep, in scratching the affected areas, will rub out patches of wool and become very ragged looking. The skin condition becomes so annoying to the sheep that the animal will refuse to eat and become thin and emaciated. However, the disease is seldom fatal, Smith said.

Over 800 farms in the Gardenspot have already been visited and several suspect flocks have been reported. After a suspect flock has been reported, a veterinarian visits the farm within a week.

When scabies is diagnosed, the flock will be quarantined until the sheep can be dip-

ped with an insecticide under the supervision of the Bureau of Animal Industry. Infected sheep will be given two dippings at 10 to 14 day intervals and after 60 days the flock will be re-inspected.

No flock will be condemned or slaughtered, Smith said in making his appeal for all flock owners to cooperate with the state agency personnel. There is no cost to the individual and it is for the benefit of the flock owner.

Flock owners who plan to enter sheep in a show or offer any sheep for public sale in the state will be required to have a flock certificate. All sheep in shows and sales must be dipped under the supervision of a veterinarian within six months of the date of the show or sale. Sheep from a flock having a certificate are eligible for shipment anywhere in the world, Smith said.

## Farmers' Day Assn. Elects Five Directors

The New Holland Farmers Day Association elected five directors to three-year terms during the annual dinner of the association on Tuesday night in the Liberty Fire Hall.

Directors elected were Mrs. Martha Bowers, Robert O. Whitmore, Robert Lowry, Park Hershey and Park Groff.

The Rev. Paul D. Wenger, Leacock, was introduced as guest speaker by B. Roy Witmer, master of ceremonies. A brief talk was also presented by Max M. Smith, county farm agent, who was introduced by Samuel Zimmerman, president. Over 100 persons attended the affair.

## 4-H Tractor Club Members Give Demonstration

By: John Fox, reporter  
At the last meeting of the Northeast 4-H Tractor Club in the shop of Chester Longs machinery company in Akron, Bill Haldeman and Bob Kramer presented a demonstration "Keep Shields in Place," which was very good.

We discussed whether we wanted parents to attend the meetings, but decided it was not necessary. All members were present.

After David Zimmerman, club president, adjourned the meeting, we went to our classes with John Zimmerman as first-year teacher and Ivan Nolt as second-year teacher.

Next meeting will be held in the Wolf Implement Shop at South State Street, Ephrata.

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## Three Tractors Cross The Block At Gregg Sale

Tractors sold for \$1,010 and \$1,050 at the sale of Walter and Curtis Gregg at Quarryville R2 last Saturday. Another tractor changed hands at \$755.

Cow prices began at \$418 with several head selling over \$300. Some of the representative cow sales were

\$385, \$381.50, \$377.50, \$365, and \$360.

Farm machinery sold as follows: hay crimper, \$550, wagon, \$290, manure spreader, \$255, hay rake, \$190; mower, \$125, elevator, \$130; corn binder, \$135, hme drill to \$16 each.

Milker units changed hands at \$120 each and milk cans sold for \$7 to \$9.25 each.

Corn brought \$35 per ton while hay sold for \$27.50 per ton. Oats and barley both

sold for \$1.07½ per bushel and silage in the silo brought \$15 per foot.

Diller and Kreider were the auctioneers.

## ● Livestock Exchange

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R. F. Johnson, secretary-treasurer of the Johnson Cattle Company, was elected treasurer of the governing body of the Lancaster Union Stockyards. The outgoing treasurer was Walter M. Dunlap Sr. who had been in the post for 54 years.

All the new officers are affiliated with one of the ten commission firms making up the Lancaster Livestock Exchange.

The officers reported their first business would be to make plans for a testimonial dinner to honor the retiring officers for their service.

## KICK OUT LOAFERS

Dexter Putnam, extension dairy specialist at Penn State, says record keeping is the only way dairymen can tell the profit-makers from the loafers in the herd. Several record systems are available to dairymen, and systematic culling is the answer to the problem of dairy loafers in the herd.

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