

From Where We Stand . . .

Bouquet To FFA

Nearly 200 teen-age boys descended on the Legion Memorial Field at Quarryville last week, and conducted themselves with such dignity and good manners that other visitors of the park were moved to comment on their excellent behavior.

It was not that the boys were restricted in their activity or that they sat around doing nothing. On the contrary, a lively ballgame was followed by a chicken barbecue with each of the 200 eating chicken and cheering for their local players.

But the significant thing, we think, is that teen-age boys should conduct themselves with enough aplomb to attract the attention of visiting adults.

We want to pass on our compliments to the County Association of Future Farmers for the way in which they had the evening affair planned and in the excellent manner in which the boys conducted themselves.

Compliments too, we believe, are due to the teachers of vocational agriculture of the county who put the boys on their good behavior before they ever neared Quarryville.

We firmly believe that many teen-agers do things we wish they would not do simply because we never tell them what we do want them to do. Too often young people are not directed, or are misdirected by careless instructions, and then we adults criticize their actions.

Future Farmers and their leaders can be proud of their reputation, and from all reports, they are working to keep that reputation shining.

At least that's how it looks from where we stand



Grassland Day

It is not often that an event of national significance comes near enough home to be within easy driving distance.

And so often such events come at a busy time on the farm when it is hard to get away for a day.

But this year a significant national agricultural event is happening near home and at a time when there is not much going on at home. And best of all—the entire thing is free to all who will take the time to drive to Hershey next week.

We believe it will be a day well spent by you and your family taking in the events, demonstrations and exhibits on the sprawling Hershey Estate Farms.

With over 25 acres devoted entirely to machinery exhibits, and with nearly a hundred acres set aside for demonstration purposes during the days

and the facilities of the entire far-flung farms to draw upon, The First Annual National Grasslands Field Days promise to be one of the biggest and most significant agricultural events of the year in the Eastern United States.

Machinery and methods for all phases of grassland agriculture from seedbed tillage to utilization of the forage by the animal will be on display and in demonstration. Back this up with The North American Hay Show, the State Plowing Matches and educational exhibits by many Landgrant Colleges and agricultural and allied industry associations, and you begin to get an idea of the magnitude of the event.

Again we repeat, a day at Hershey during Grassland Field Days will be a day well spent.

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Perseverance Pays

It is not often that an individual or a partnership becomes the subject of discussion in this column, but when we hear of an outstanding display of courage and determination, we like to comment on it.

In the summer of 1960 two young men from out of state moved into the county and began a radically new program to produce high-quality disease-free foundation breeding swine.

Through no fault of their own, disease stalked in, as it sometimes does on any farm. But this was a particularly contagious disease which meant sell the entire herd and begin all over after disinfection and keeping the houses empty for a long period.

Such a program would have been disastrous to the young men who had invested a good portion of their savings in foundation sows.

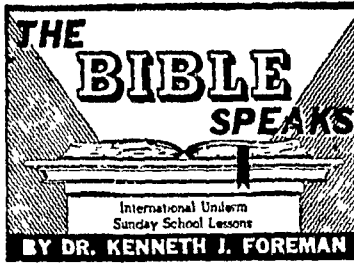
There was one alternative program, and the partners followed it to the letter. They saved their costly bloodlines by catching the baby pigs in a plastic bag at farrowing time and removing them to an isolated starting and growing unit.

The young men "bagged" 62 pigs and raised 73% in isolation on artificial milk. After sacrificing seven of the pigs for post-mortem examinations by veterinarians and slaughtering the rest of the herd, they were "back in business", even if on a much less grand scale.

The point is, they were not willing to accept less than the best even though the best was costly and time consuming.

We need more such courage and perseverance as this.

At least that's how it looks from where we stand



Bible Material: Ezekiel 1 1-3, 2 1-7
3 4-5 10 11 11 16-19, 18
Devotional Reading: Psalm 130

Responsibility

Lesson for August 12, 1962

"RESPONSIBLE" and "responsibility" are words perhaps hard to define, but they will strike any thinking person as important words. We all know in a general way what they mean.



When we speak of an irresponsible person we speak in disparaging tones, we don't trust a person like that. An irresponsible person can't be depended on to do what he is expected to do. The difference between an irresponsible person and an absent-minded one is not that one remembers what he is supposed to do and the other one doesn't, they both will forget. But the absent minded man is overwhelmed by regret and mortification at having forgotten, while the irresponsible one doesn't care even if he forgets a dozen times.

Single, Plural and Collective

To be responsible means that someone is expecting you to do a job or to be a particular kind of person. It means also that you are expected to give an account of yourself to some one. You are responsible for the job and to the boss, or the inspector, whoever gets your report. No matter how high your perch is in society, you are always responsible to some one. The President of the USA is responsible to the people, and we judge presidents by how well they carry that responsibility.

But more than individuals can be responsible. A whole group of persons can be responsible in the same way, to the same person and for the same work, like a class in school with a problem to solve. This we can call plural responsibility. Again there is collective responsibility, as when Jacob, in the Genesis story, holds all his sons responsible for the welfare of Joseph. We can say that a community is responsible for its own health—that again is collective responsibility.

Yes, but some one asks, does not that keep us robbed of happiness? Quite the contrary: there is no such great happiness in holding on to blessings as there is in sharing them. Do people ever thank God for you? You may not be able to answer that, because you don't know.

Peace

Another great word here is "Peace." God makes a covenant—an agreement—of love with his people. Every dealing of God with men is rooted and founded in love. This cannot be otherwise if God is love. But this prophet brings out the way love is shown—and one way is the way of peace. Our God, the only true God, is a God of peace, not strife, anger, violence. There is something wrong with the picture when so-called and self-labeled Christians keep sniping at one another and calling names. There may be no possibility of union between your church and some other, but even where that is true, you do not manifest your Christianity by calling names and "running down" other Christians who do not believe just in the way you do. Furthermore, to take another illustration, it ought to hurt our consciences that the so-called Christian nations of the world seem to be the most violent war makers. As individuals, as churches, as a nation, do we really act as if we belonged to the God of peace?

Security

A third great idea, a third great promise of God to his true people, is security. We know, if we have any experience at all, that God guarantees no man security from all human and earthly troubles. Commentators are not all agreed whether this reference in Ezekiel to security should be taken literally or not. One thing should be clear. If not even the prophet Ezekiel was immune from troubles (he lost his wife, and mourned deeply the fall of Jerusalem), God's people should not expect total freedom from pain, frustration and death, not to mention other ills. So those who think we should take the part about security literally, usually believe it must mean at some time after the last judgment, not now. However this may be, the believer in God can be assured that God will not let him be wholly destroyed, not even by death. To the Christian, death is not the final crash; it is God's summons to a world of glory. The Christian has the deepest security of all—security against the fear of death.

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Now Is The Time . . .

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To Be Careful With Sudan Grass

After a period of drought conditions, new growth of sudan grass should not be grazed until it is 16 to 18 inches tall; this new growth may be high in prussic acid and poison livestock. Many areas might have received sufficient rain in the past week to bring along this new growth at this time.

To Fertilize Grasslands

Livestock producers are urged to fertilize hay and pasture areas that have been made un-productive in recent weeks due to dry weather. Nitrogen on the straight grass stands and a complete fertilizer on the grass-legume mixtures should result in lush growth when sufficient rain does fall. On hay fields this might make possible a very good final cutting late this fall.

To Make Silage From Stunted Corn

Many fields of corn may not be helped to the extent of a good yield of crib corn even though good rains would come in the near future; this means that the corn will give greater amounts of feed nutrients if made into silage. No preservative will be needed and all types of livestock may be fed this type of corn-fodder silage. As long as there is the possibility of a good rain helping more growth and development of both the corn plant

and the ear, the corn should remain standing; don't ensile the corn until it is definitely drying up in the field.

To Be Alert For Poisonous Weeds

During drought conditions and very little pasture many animals will seek green forage in woods, along fence rows, creek banks, and many places where otherwise they would not graze. In many cases they will eat green plants that are poisonous and plants that normally they would not touch. (Continued on Page 5)

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days low close as cows steady to 25 higher. Bulls fully steady. Vealers steady. Feeders strong. Slaughter Heifers Monday, load prime 1016 lbs. 27 00, Wednesday load high choice and Prime 26 75., Bulk choice 25 00-26 50. Good and mixed good and choice 23 50-27 25. Standard 21 00-23 25. Cows Utility and Commercial 14 00-16 50. Few up to 17 00, Canner and Cutter 13 00-15 50. Most early week sales stopping at 15 25, Shelly canner down to 11 00.
Bulls and Vealers: Utility and Commercial bulls 18 50-20 00. Few Good Vealers 25 00 - 27 00, Standard 20 00-25 00, Utility 15.
Wasty Fat good 1650-1800 lbs 15.00-16 00. Few good vealers 25.00-27.00, Standard 20.00-25.00, Utility 15 00-20 00, Cull down to 12 00. Feeders: Good and choice 720-950 lb. Feeding Steers 23 50-25 75, few choice 750-800 lbs. 25 75-26.25 and load choice 873 lbs.

26 35 Load good 575 lb steers 25 00, package medium and good 500 lb feeding heifers 23 50

New Holland
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27 00-27 00, Standard 22 00-24 75
Few Good and Choice heifers 22 85-25 85.
Cutter and Utility cows 16 00-17 50, Canner and low Cutter 15 00-16 00, Shelly canner down to 12 50
Utility and Commercial bulls 19 00-21 50, Good grade 21 50-24 00
Lot medium 524 lb. stock steers 21 10
Few Good and Choice 650-971 lb. feeder steers 24.10-25 50
CALVES 337 Vealers steady to 1.00 higher. Good and choice vealers 30 00-35 00, Choice and Prime 35 00-39 50, standard and low Good 26 00-30.00, Utility 2300-26 00.
SHEEP: 38 Cull to Choice shorn slaughter ewes 5 50-7 00.