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New Holland Vo-Ag Class Uses Farm Paper As Text

The senior Vocational Agriculture class at Gaiden Spot High School in New Holland have a new study aid.

The boys, under the direction of their teacher, Robert Herr, are using Lancaster Farming as a supplement to their text and reference books.

Each of the seven boys in the class has his own copy of the paper sent to the school each week. During a regularly scheduled class period the students read the paper and make oral and written reports on news and feature articles.

But more use is being made of the market reports.

Each boy in the class is keeping a note book on market trends and prices. Graphs have been made by each boy showing the fluctuations of prices for beef, swine, sheep and poultry at the local markets as well as the Chicago yards and the Delmarva Broiler growing area.

The graphs, maintained each week by the students, will show not only the fluctuations within a market but comparisons between markets as well.

The note books also include clippings and resumes of news and feature articles.

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Regional Star Farmer Award Will Go To Kenneth D. Myer

Kenneth D. Myer, a 1962 graduate of Elizabethtown Area High School, has been named Star Farmer of Region

II by the state Association of Future Farmers of America. He now has 15 registered Guernseys, and plans to increase his purebred herd to 20 animals in 1963.



KENNETH D. MYER

With the help and encouragement of his teacher of vocational agriculture, Marlin Henninger, Kenneth set up a "Calf Ring" committee and became its first chairman. With his committee he solicited businessmen in the area and purchased five purebred dairy calves. Kenneth was selected by a committee of his teacher and businessmen to receive one of the first calves. The calf he received recently freshened and her calf has been returned to the chapter to be awarded to another boy on December 21.

He raises tobacco on a 50-50 arrangement with his father and pays rent for land on which he raises wholly owned crops of corn, barley and wheat. He expects to rent a nearby 70-acre farm but will continue working with his father on the family farm. While in school he won

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FIVE-DAY WEATHER FORECAST

Temperatures during the next five days are expected to average more than eight degrees below the normal range of 26 at night to 42 in the afternoon. Continued cold weather will continue through Sunday. Not quite as cold Monday and turning colder again about Tuesday or Wednesday. Precipitation is expected to total 0.2 to 0.6 inch (melted) falling as frequent snow flurries and as more general light snow Sunday or Monday and again near the end of the period.

CLASSROOM WORK AND READING LANCASTER FARMING are accomplished at one and the same time by the senior Vocational Agriculture class at Lancaster County High School, New Holland. The boys, under the direction of their teacher, Mr. Robert Herr, use the newspaper as a basis for discussion groups and in a comprehensive study of livestock marketing trends. They keep a notebook of market news graphs, written reports of news and feature articles and notes on classroom discussion. Seated left to right, are Carl Gehman, Mohn R2; Larry Weaver, New Holland R1; Donald Zimmermann, Narvon R1; Ronald Aron, East Earl R1; Richard Martin, East Earl R1; Wilmer Martin, New Holland R1, and Sanford Fritz, Stevens R1. Standing, and pointing out an item in the paper, is Grasslands FFA chapter advisor Herr.

L. F. Photo.

Co. Dairymen Receive Awards from Nat'l Ass'n

Two Lancaster County Holstein breeders were named this week to receive the Progressive Breeders Award — the highest recognition attainable by a breeder of Registered Holstein cattle.

Herbert and Rhelda Royer, 25 Oregon Pike, Lancaster will receive the award for the second consecutive year.

J. Mowery Frey and Son,

Lancaster R7, have been so recognized four times previously.

The Holstein-Friesian Association of America has awarded this honor to only 512 breeding establishments, including 57 in Pennsylvania.

To qualify for the Progressive Breeders' Award, a breeder must meet strict requirements in all phases of dairy cattle breeding and management, including production, type improvement, herd health and the development of home-bred animals.

The Royer herd completed its latest Dairy Herd Improvement Registry testing year with a lactation average — calculated on a two milkings a day, 305 day mature equivalent basis — on 23 individual records of 14,270 lbs of milk and 541 lbs of butterfat.

The herd has been officially classified for type with a breed age average of 101.9 per cent — obtained by dividing the classification score of each cow by the average score of all Registered Holstein cows of the same age.

The Frey herd completed its latest Herd Improvement Registry testing year with a lactation average — calculated on a two milkings a day, 305 day mature equivalent basis — on 71 individual records of 14,535 lbs. of milk and 532 lbs. of butterfat.

The herd has also been officially classified for type with

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Editor To Speak At SCD Banquet

Jack Owen, Editor of Lancaster Farming, will be the main speaker at the banquet and annual meeting of the Lancaster County Soil Conservation District. The meeting will be held March 6 at Hostetter's banquet hall in Mount Joy.



JACK OWEN

Owen, public relations representative for the district, was presented a certificate in recognition of his activities in the conservation of natural resources at the 1962 banquet. He will speak on "telling the story of conservation."

Awards will be made to the

Farm Calendar

Dec. 18 — 7:30 p.m. — Lincoln Community 4-H club meets at the home of Ira Zartman, Ephrata R1.

8 p.m. — Manor Young Farmers meet in the Penn-Manor High School. Election of officers and class on farm mechanics.

7:15 p.m. — New Holland Young Farmers meet at the high school. Class on handling tobacco. Benn Mann of Lancaster Leaf Tobacco Co. will lead discussion.

Dec. 19 — 6:30 p.m. — County Farm machinery dealers annual banquet at Hostetters, Mount Joy.

Dec. 20 — 7:30 p.m. — Manheim Young Farmers meet in the Manheim Central High School. Class on tobacco.

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