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MR. AND MRS. RAYMOND WITMER, left, receive a plaque from Red Rose Dairy Herd Improvement Association secretary, John Shelly, at the organization's annual banquet Tuesday at the Host Motel, Keller Avenue and Lititz Pike. Looking on far right is association president, Jason Weaver. The plaque is in recognition of the high butterfat average produced by the Witmer's registered Guernsey herd in the 1961-62 testing year. The 47 cow herd produced an average of 12,225 pounds of milk and 621 pounds of butterfat.  
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## DHIA Production Award Goes To Witmer Herd

Raymond and Louise Witmer, Willow Street R2, this week were again honored for high production records in the Red Rose Dairy Improvement Association.

The 47 head of purebred Guernseys produced an average of 621 pounds of butterfat and 12,225 pounds of milk during the 1961-62 testing year.

The award for high butterfat production per cow was made at the association's annual banquet and meeting Tuesday at the Host Motel.

The event marked the second time since 1958 that the Witmers have had the top production in the association.  
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## Tobacco Market Opens; Prices Range Up To 30

The Lancaster tobacco market opened early this week with only one major buyer in the field. By late in the week several firms were reported to be in the sheds, but buying was reported slow.

Prices ranged up to 30 cents for wrappers and 20 cents for filler with scattered reports of one York county firm offering 31 and 20.

By Wednesday both P. Lorillard Co. and Consolidated Cigar Corp put buyers on the road. Apparently they were seeking only top crops and became the price leader at 30 and 20. Reports indicated that their buying interest began to flag by mid-afternoon Wednesday and remained slow through Thursday, but the price remained about unchanged.

The American Tobacco Company held fast to its opening bids of 25 to 28 for wrappers and 16 to 18 for filler through Thursday and was reported to be picking up a few crops.

Reports from around the county indicated that neither Bayuk Cigars, Inc and General Cigar Co., had been in the market up to Thursday evening.

Several small, independent growers were offering 20 to 25 cents for pulloff crops and some continued to seek chill-

## Local Soil Conservation Service Acquires New Farm Planner

Larry Corson, a native of Hughesville, Lycoming County has begun work with the Lancaster County Soil Conservation Service.

ed a Soil Conservationist with the United States Department of Agriculture agency in the county.

Recently returned from Germany where he served a tour of duty following the crisis in Berlin with the U.S. Air Force, Corson has moved  
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LARRY CORSON

The 26 year old graduate of The Pennsylvania State University has been designat-

## FIVE-DAY WEATHER FORECAST

Temperatures during the next five days are expected to average 3 to 10 degrees below the normal range of 24 at night to 39 in the afternoon. The weather will turn colder Saturday and remain cold during the remainder of the period. Precipitation may total a half inch or more (melted) occurring as snow Sunday with furies thereafter throughout the period.

## Soil Conservation Dist. Backs Co. Water Survey

Directors of the Lancaster County Soil Conservation District Monday night passed resolutions backing the Lancaster County Planning Commission's proposed comprehensive water study for the county.

The resolution stated that the district supports the recommendation of the Water Advisory Committee of the Planning Commission since the study will affect the "further social and economic growth of our county". The proposed study will cost an estimated \$45,000.

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## Farm Calendar

- Jan. 21 — 7:30 p.m. Annual meeting of the Lancaster County Poultry Association, at the Poultry Center, Roseville Road and 230 Bypass.
- 8 p.m. — County 4-H leaders council meets at the Farm Bureau Cooperative Building, Dillerville Pike
- Jan. 22 — 6:30 — Meeting of sales and service force of Miller and Bushong at Host Motel
- 7:15 — Advanced welding class of the New Holland Young Farmers Association in the Garden Spot High School vocational agriculture room.
- Jan. 24 — 12 noon — Annual meeting of locals 7 and 11 of the Interstate Milk Producers Cooperative at the Quarryville Methodist Church.
- Jan. 24 — 8 p.m. — Solanco Young Farmers meeting

compete with other areas will depend on a satisfactory water supply for production of all crops and livestock, the resolution said.

There has been a growing concern on the part of some  
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## Solanco YFA Schedules Class On Farm Labor

The Solanco Young Farmers have scheduled a series of three meetings dealing with farmers' personnel problems.

The first in the series will be held next Thursday, January 24, at 8 p.m. It will feature two short films called "Personality Conflicts" and "The Hidden Grievance".

Teacher of vocational agriculture, William Fredd, says  
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## Poultry Ass'n Annual Meet Is Next Week

James T. Hall, Farm Management Specialist from the Pennsylvania State University, will talk on the theme "Why Some Poultrymen Make Money and Others Do Not" at the 28th annual meeting of the Lancaster County Poultry Association next week.

Hall will point out the reasons why the net income on 32 poultry farms in 11 Pennsylvania counties ranged from a plus of \$18,596 to a minus \$4,101 during 1961. During 1962 Hall had more than 120 farms under a record system and will have some significant figures to report from these farms.

Eight new directors of the association will be elected at the meeting in the Poultry Center on Roseville Road at the 230 Bypass at 7:30 p.m., January 21.

Robert G. Harnish will present a resume of the past year's events. Refreshments will be served.

## Agriculture Extension Service Plans 50th Anniversary Banquet

Agriculture and Home Economics Extension in Lancaster County will celebrate its 50th anniversary next month with a banquet and reception for former personnel.

Beginning with the reception at 4 p.m., February 12, in the Buchanan Room of the Hotel Brunswick for all former county extension workers and all past and present executive committee members, both men and women, the program will resume in the main ballroom with the banquet at 6:30 p.m.

The program will recognize and highlight extension service progress since it was  
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founded in the county in 1913.

The 50 year progress report will be in the form of two talks illustrated with slides. Mrs. Jane Nolt, Columbia R1, will report for Home Economics, and Levi H. Brubaker, Rohrerstown, will speak for agriculture.

The trailblazer in Lancaster County extension work, Floyd (Dutch) Bucher, first and long-time County Agent, and former Associate Agent Harry S. Sloat, will be called on for remarks as will other former county workers.  
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