

Carnation Crop Largest In U.S.

HARRISBURG — Pennsylvania-grown carnations will be in demand this week as children— young and old — will recognize the honors of motherhood in the observance of Mother's Day, Sunday May 12.

The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture reports the Keystone State as one of the leaders in the East in the production of carnations. Nearly 400 commercial flower growers in the state produce carnations for sale throughout eastern United States. Latest census figures show that 33.7 million carnations with a wholesale value of \$2.7 million are grown and sold annually by Pennsylvania flower growers. This places them second only to Massachusetts among eastern states.

The use of flowers as the appropriate symbol of sentiment for mother was first used by Anna Jarvis, a Virginian, who is claimed to be the original sponsor of Mother's Day. Miss Jarvis started the observance by placing flowers in her church in honor of her mother. She suggested to her followers that they "wear a flower bright" if their mother was living and a "flower white" for a mother's memory.

National observance of Mother's Day was officially proclaimed by President Woodrow Wilson on May 8, 1914. The white carnation, signifying

sweetness, purity and endurance, was adopted as the floral emblem.

Whatever the token of sentiment may be to recognize the honor of motherhood, it appears today that Pennsylvania flower growers are helping to carry on the tradition by producing a generous supply of flowers for Mother's Day gifts.

Guernsey 4-H Honor Parents

Parents were guests of honor at the Wednesday night meeting of the county Guernsey 4-H club at Solanco High School.

Eight of the members participated in a talent program in honor of their mothers. Elaine Stoltzfus played a piano solo, Forrest Preston III played the saxophone, Sharon Hodgson gave a reading; Joyce Stoltzfus played the piano; Jesse Lee Balmer recited a poem, Elizabeth Preston played a violin solo; Wayne Denlinger recited a poem, and Nancy Stoltzfus presented a humorous reading.

Jack Owen, editor of Lancaster Farming led a discussion on parliamentary procedure.

Next meeting of the club will be a judging contest at the home of Roy Breneman, Willow Street R1, along Rt. 222, on June 12 at 8 p.m.

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4-H Sewing Club Elects Officers

Miss Averill Royer, 2025 Oregon Pike, Lancaster, was elected president of the Mannheim Township 4-H Sewing club recently.

Other officers elected were vice president, Sue Weidman, 1868 Anne Ave; secretary, Jean Hess, 2810 Weaver Road; treasurer, Charmayne Denlinger, Lititz R3, game leaders, Linda Brodhecker, 1702 Quaker Road, and Linda Ober, Lancaster R3; song leader, Connie Musser, 140 Delp Road, and news reporter, Mary Ellen Kettering, Lititz R3.

The meeting was called for the election of officers and measurement of the girls for their projects. A fashion review of the girls' different years of experience in sewing was held. Twenty-six members were present.

Leaders of the club are Mrs. Herbert M. Royer, Mrs. John D. Hess, Mrs. Henry Kettering, Mrs. Ray Ober, and Mrs. E. M. Weidman.

Meetings will be held May 25, June 8, 18, and 25, and July 9, 16, and 23. All meetings will be at 1:30 p.m.

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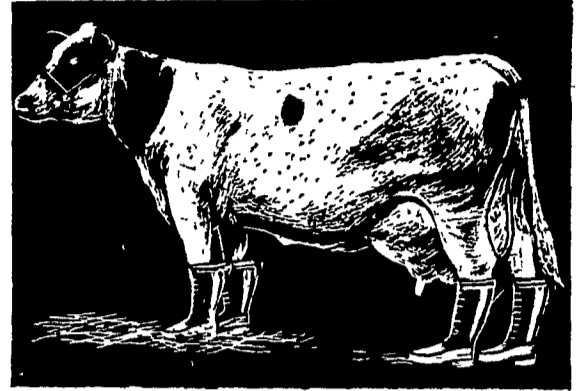
E-Town 4-H Holds Election

Arlinda Heisey was elected president of the Elizabethtown Thimble and Thread 4-H Club at a recent meeting.

Other officers are: Kathy Musser, vice president; Nancy Kines, secretary-treasurer; Su-

san Allomas, assistant; Beverly Neideigh, game leader; Becky Musser, song leader; Sharleena Heisey, assistant; Vicki Shank, news reporter; Carol Neideigh, assistant; Linda Neideigh, county council representative.

Members of the new 4-H Cooking Club will be guests of the local organization at its next meeting, Saturday, May 25, 1:30 p.m.



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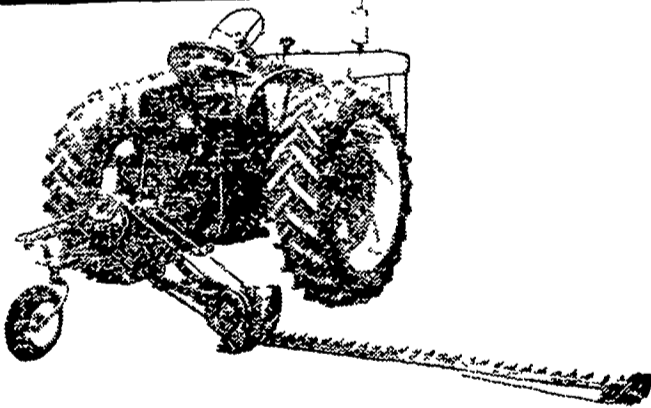
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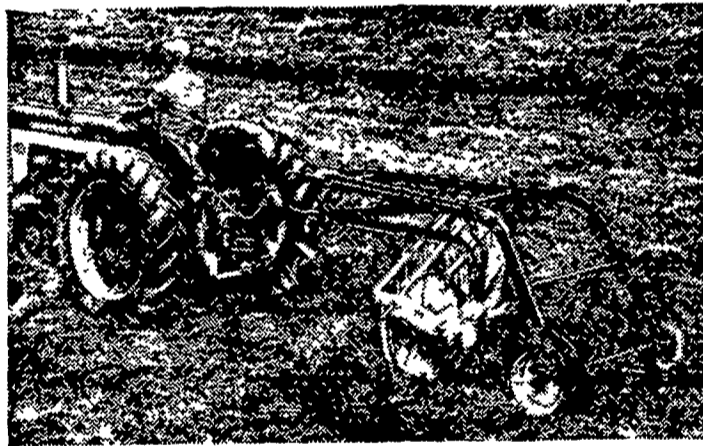
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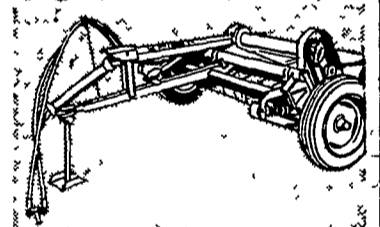


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