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GARDENING IS A FAMILY PROJECT at the Aaron Herr farm, Millersville R1. Here Harold Herr, his father, and mother team up to keep the weeds out of the sweet corn. Harold is the treasurer of the Pennsylvania State Association of Future Farmers of America.

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Plowing Contest Entry Deadline Set By Soil Conservation District

Deadline for entering the Lancaster County plowing contest was set for July 23 at the regular monthly meeting of the county soil conservation district directors Monday night.

Chairman M. M. Smith, county agent, said the level land plowing contest would be limited to the first 15 applicants. Winner of the contest will win a crack at the state

championship later in the summer with his transportation being paid by the local district.

In addition the winner will receive a permanent trophy, possession of the rotating trophy for one year, a ribbon and a cash prize of \$15.00. Second place carries a prize of \$10 and a ribbon, third place a ribbon and \$5, and fourth place a ribbon and \$3 cash. All other contestants will receive a wrench or other farm tool, Smith said.

Contestants must be farmers, farm women, or regular employed farm workers sixteen years of age or older. Professional demonstrators, factory representatives, distri-

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Farm Calendar

- July 16 — 1:30 p.m. — Mannheim Township 4-H sewing club meets at Production Credit, Roseville Road.
- 1:30 p.m. — Lampeter-Strasburg 4-H Homemaking club meets at the home of Mrs. Elvin Hess, Jr., Strasburg R1.
- July 17 — 9 a.m. — District 4-H livestock judging contest at Warrington Green Farm, Wellville, York Co.
- July 18 — 2 p.m. — County 4-H field day at Long Park, Lancaster.
- 5 p.m. — Picnic at 4-H field days.
- 7 p.m. — Vesper service and Posture Queen contest at 4-H field day.
- 7:30 p.m. — County 4-H Wildlife club meets at the home of Raymond Stoner, 1051 Eden Road, Lancaster.
- July 19 — 8:30 a.m. — New Holland 4-H beef club tour assemblies at the home of Richard Leaman, 2554 Creek Hill Road.
- 8 p.m. — Lancaster County Teachers of Vocational Agriculture association at Hershey Park.

4-H Field Day Is Next Week

The county Posture Queen contest will be the main feature of county 4-H field day at Long Park, Lancaster, next Thursday, July 18.

All county 4-H members and their families are invited to join in the swimming and games beginning at 2 p.m. Supper will feature a basket or box lunch, brought by the members, at 5 p.m.

Vespers will begin at 7 p.m. and be followed by group singing, the posture queen contest and a candle light service.

County 4-H field day is an annual event planned and sponsored by the 4-H county council.

Agri. Teacher Begins Duties At Penn Manor

Richard Hackenberger, formerly of Millintown, Juniata County, began his duties as teacher of vocational agriculture in the Penn Manor High School on July 1.



RICHARD HACKENBERGER

Hackenberger, a June graduate at the Pennsylvania State University with a B.S. degree in Agricultural Education, was reared on a '08 acre dairy farm in Juniata County. He studied vocational agriculture at Juniata Joint High School and carried a supervised farming program built around holstein dairy cattle.

First teacher in the Penn Manor agriculture department is Garland Gingerich.

State F. F. A. Treasurer Farms In Partnership

The Aaron Herr family of Millersville R1 has only one son but they have two members of the Manor chapter Future Farmers of America.

Of course only one, Harold, is an active member and he is treasurer of the Pennsylvania Association of FFA. His father was made honorary chapter farmer in the club last winter.

Harold and his father share the crops on the 80 acre livestock and poultry farm. The 2,300 laying hens and the steers belong to Aaron while the swine program is Harold's.

Harold got his start in the swine business as a ninth grade student at Penn Manor High

School under the teaching of Garland Gingerich and the late Howard Sighn. Five shoats made up his farming program during his first year, but Harold was determined to quit

school. Under the urging of his teachers and the encouragement of his father, he became interested in vocational agriculture and expanded his program to include 10 shoats, 1,800 broilers and two gilts in his sophomore year. One of the gilts was awarded to him in the Sears Foundation swine ring program.

His program grew to two sows and litters, which he fattened during his third year.

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7 Demonstration Teams Go To 4-H District Finals

Seven 4-H demonstration teams qualified for competition in the district contests at Allentown Fair Grounds next week.

Two Home Economics teams and two agricultural teams won the right to compete at county elimination contests this week in the Penn Manor High School.

All blue ribbon winners at the district contest, July 23, will move into state competition at the Pennsylvania State University, August 13, during Pennsylvania 4-H days.

County teams will compete in bread making, poultry foods, dairy, wildlife, vegetables, forestry, and tractor maintenance demonstrations.

Construction of a fitting blanket for dairy cattle projects won the team of Miss Nancy Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, and Miss Nancy Bollinger Lititz R1, a blue ribbon in the dairy dem-

onstration. Both are members of the Lancaster County 4-H Guernsey Club.

WILDLIFE WINNERS

Two New Providence 4-H Community Club members, Pat Rineer, Willow Street R1, and Sue Atkins, New Providence R1, demonstrating methods of making plaster of paris casts of animal tracks, won the wildlife contest and a blue judging ribbon.

Preparation of a forest seedbed was the subject of a forestry demonstration by Jay Lehman, Holtwood R1, which won a red ribbon.

It is the second consecutive year Lehman, a member of the Drumore 4-H Community Club, has won the forestry demonstration contest.

In the tractor maintenance contest, the team of David Zimmerman, Reinholds R1, and Stanley Leminger, Denver R2, presented an illustration.

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Conestoga Creek Watershed Study To Be Part Of Susquehanna Survey

The Conestoga Creek watershed may become a part of the comprehensive Susquehanna River basin study this fall, a state soil conservation official said Monday night.

Ivan McKeever, state conservationist said the Conestoga has been given priority among the 57 susquehanna tributaries to be surveyed in the multi-million dollar river basin study.

Participating in the seven year study are 17 cooperating state and federal agencies including the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Army Corps of Engineers. Purpose of the study is to help bring the 17th largest river drainage area in the United States to its full economic potential.

McKeever said his department would be willing to consider the Conestoga tributary,

possibly early this fall, if local support can be secured.

He also held out hope the (Continued on Page 7)

FIVE-DAY WEATHER FORECAST

Temperatures during the next five days are expected to average two to five degrees above the normal range of 65 at night to 86 in the afternoon. A warming trend over the week end is expected to moderate somewhat Monday followed by a warming trend again near the end of the period. Precipitation may total 0.2 to 0.6 inch falling as showers late Sunday or Monday and possibly again at the end of the period.