

# Lancaster Farming

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Lilli Ann Wivell (left) and Pat Yunginer present a Shoo-fly pie and Apple Pandowdy demonstration. Their demonstration was the dairy foods winner at the Demonstration Day held Monday at Penn Manor High School.

## Economics Demonstration Winners to Enter District Finals

By Everett Newswanger  
Staff Reporter

Top notch display of youth economics was seen at Penn Manor High School this week when the Agricultural and Home Economics Demonstration and the Public Speaking contestants had their play-off.

Elvin Bieneman and Linda Breen emerged as the County Public Speaking winners. Their outstanding presentation of "Dedicated Youth" and "How 4-H Contributes to Good Citizenship" by Miss Young. This was the first time the county Public Speakers to the

district contest

In The Agricultural Demonstrations the six top teams are as follows: Nancy Bollinger, Lititz R4, and Nancy Stoltzfus, Ronks R1, dairy; Nancy Frey, Marietta R1, and Dallas Wolgemuth, Mount Joy R1, beef; Richard Buckwalter and James Hershey, of Lititz R3, tractor; Dennis Allen, Quarryville R2, chickens; Fred Shaub, Drumore R1, and Gerald Wagner, Quarryville R2, horse; and Enos Leed Jr., New Providence R1, pigeon.

The girls did a fine job in the kitchen and sewing room and the Home Economics winners are:

Lilli Ann Wivell, Columbia R1, and Patricia Yunginer, Marietta R1, dairy foods; Evelyn Groff, Gordonville, and Karen Mellinger, Bird-in-Hand, bread; Jane Smith and Joyce Horst, Farmersville, clothing.

The winners at the county level will compete in the Southeast District Demonstration Day to be held July 21 at the Allentown Fair Grounds with an eye on the State Finals, Aug 11 and 12 at Penn State.

Judges for the day's activities were Mr. Richard Hackenberger, Vo-Ag teacher at Penn Manor, Harry Sloat, former Associate County Agent, the Rev. James Ritter, pastor of Grace Evangelical Congregational Church in Millersville. Mrs. Raymond Stoner, third grade teacher, Mrs. Jean Breneisin, 4-H local leader, and Miss Joanne Warner, Assistant Extension Home Economist.

## Pa. Farm Prices Up 1% In June

Prices received by commonwealth farmers in mid-June increased one per cent from mid-May, according to the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service. Hog prices advanced 6 per cent from last month but lower prices of other meat animals offset this increase.

Higher prices for poultry and eggs accounted for most of the increase in receipts from a month earlier. Chicken prices increased 8 per cent, and egg prices 3 per cent. Egg prices, at 33 cents a dozen, were up a cent from May when they equalled the low May, 1963, price.

Field crops, both food and feed grains and hay show a substantial decline from last month. Most important of these declines is wheat 7 per cent, barley 7 per cent; and hay 8 per cent.

The wholesale milk price for June was estimated at

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## Co. Plow Meet Deadline July 16

The deadline for entries in the Third annual Lancaster County Soil Conservation District plowing matches is this Thursday, July 16.

The contest is set for July 23 on the Roy Garber farm, Fruitville Pike, starting at 1 p.m. Rain date has been set for July 27.

The plowing winner will qualify for the state contest to be held Wednesday, July 29, at Ft. McCord, Franklin County.

## Wade Groff Farm Proves That Excellent Soil Pays

By Everett Newswanger  
Staff Reporter

"It takes three hundred to one thousand years to make an inch of top soil," said Milford Heddleson, Extension Soil Specialist, at the Lancaster County Unit Demonstration Farm Field Day held July 9, at the J. Wade Groff Farm. Therefore it took a long time to make the twenty-one inches of surface soil found in the soil demonstration plot.

Mr. Heddleson pointed out that the soil on Mr. Groff's farm has good rain and root penetration. This was shown by the fact that the subsoil was still wet from the rains of April, and the roots of the three year old alfalfa stand in which the test was made were showing up at the depth of five feet.

Answering a question from one of the participants, he said that as a general rule it is not advantageous to use subsoiling as a means of cultivation. "There is nothing better than a regular plow," he said. "When you bring subsoil up into the top layer, you do it no good."

In the redcoat wheat test plot Associate county agent, Arnold Leuck said, "It is evident that you can apply up to sixty pounds of nitrogen to this variety with good results, maybe even more. But this must be put on early in the spring to keep from killing the wheat." It had been planned to harvest the plots at the demonstration meeting but this was cancelled due to weather conditions.

Dr. George Berggren, Extension weed specialist, showed the corn fields treated with 2, 4-D, Atrazine and Lorox, each of which is recommended for specific situations.

After a delicious dinner served by the "Happy Gleaners" Sunday School class,

## Marketing Cards Not Required For '64 Wheat

The local Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service office announced this week that marketing cards are not required for the sale of the 1964 wheat crop.

The office said that only those farmers who enrolled in the 1964 wheat program, made the required minimum diversion, and harvested within their allotments are eligible for certificate payments.

All farmers who have had their wheat acreage measured and are within the allotment are eligible for price support.

Support rate for farm-stored wheat is \$1.49 per bushel for No. 1 wheat.

County Agent Max Smith introduced the host, Wade Groff, and his family who welcomed everyone present.

Next Dr. John Baylor, under the topic heading of "Forage Crop Production and Utilization," told how the Groff Farm was selected as the Unit Demonstration Farm for Lancaster County in the Spring of 1959. At that time a complete soil test was run and, since then, the farm has been limed and fertilized according to its need. Mr. Groff has seen a nice improvement in the crop yields. Other changes in farm management have been controlling erosion, improved alfalfa varieties, elimination of tomatoes, building calf pens, and better management of yearling heifers.

The Groff Registered Holstein dairy herd has been increased by only four cows from nineteen to twenty-three but the income over feed cost has increased by \$92 per cow. When he started he got 26 lb. of milk from one pound of grain and now he gets 36 lb. of milk from the same amount of feed. The herd is artificially bred and DHIA herd average has increased by 2,582 lb. of milk and 95 lb. of fat. This was brought out by Dexter Putman, Dairy Extension Specialist while discussing "Herd Feeding and Management."

"Wade has done a fine job" (Continued on Page 7)

## County 4-H Field Day Is Thursday

A great time for all 4-Hers is planned for next Thursday, July 16, when their 1964 Field Day will be held at Long's Park. There will be games to help get acquainted, swimming at Brookside, a picnic supper and a hypnotist.

The climax of the day will come at 7:00 p.m. when the Lancaster County 4-H Queen and Junior 4-H Queen will be crowned. Competing in the senior queen contest will be Carol Hess, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Hess, Strasburg. (Continued on Page 8)

## FIVE-DAY WEATHER FORECAST

Temperatures during the next five days are expected to average 2 to 5 degrees below the normal range of 87 in the afternoon to 65 at night. Seasonably warm at the beginning of the period and relatively cooler the remainder.

Precipitation may total 0.6 of an inch falling Sunday or Sunday night and again about Wednesday.

## Farm Calendar

July 12-18 — 4-H Citizenship School Washington D.C.  
July 13 — 9:00 a.m. — Lancaster Salunga 4-H Sewing Club meets at Hempfield High School.  
7:00 p.m. — Soil and Water Conservation meeting at the Lancaster Court House.

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