

'New Look' Due In Vo-Ag Program

Future vocational training in agriculture will have a "new look" due to expanded programs developed through the Federal Vocational Education Act of 1963, it was reported recently during a conference on agri-business at The Pennsylvania State University.

The new Federal legislation makes it possible for public schools to offer varied educational programs needed in agricultural occupations, in addition to farming, stated H N Hunsicker, program specialist for agricultural education in the U S Office of Education. The conference was attended by 75 educators from 10 states.

"With some changes in vocational training in public schools, all persons, of all ages and in all communities, will have ready access to training suited to their needs, interests, and abilities," Mr. Hunsicker affirmed.

Various types of programs were described for developing the "new look" in vocational agriculture. Listed were educational programs in both rural and city high schools, adult education for farmers and persons engaged in other agricultural occupations, post high school vocational-technical training for persons who have graduated or left school, and programs for handicapped persons.

He claimed the traditional farming program maintained in the past by vocational agriculture students may be replaced or supplemented by ac-

tual work in the occupation the student plans to enter. He emphasized that such employment programs must be carefully planned with close cooperation between the employer, the school, the student, and the parents.

David R. McClay, head of the department of agricultural education at Penn State, reported a statewide survey of agricultural occupations shows there are as many employment opportunities in agri-business as there are in farming. In opening the conference, he said it would focus attention on ways of changing high school programs to include instruction in agri-business.

County 4-H Has Food, Flower & Vegetable Show

A fine group of exhibits showed up at Penn Manor High School, Thursday, for the 4-H Food, Flower and Vegetable Roundup.

Thirteen girls' cooking clubs displayed culinary talents and saw demonstrations on bread and pie baking and flower arrangements.

Boys, in addition to taking part in vegetable exhibits, heard a talk on tractor operation by Richard Buckwalter and James Hershey.

Speaker was Musser Stauffer, a member of the Men's Garden Club.

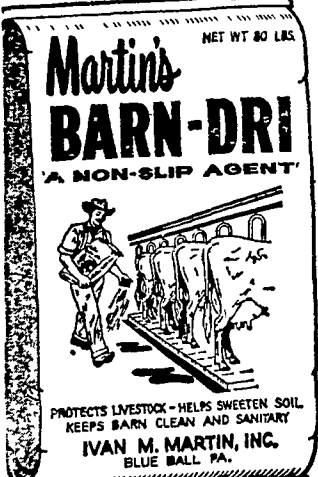
Best of class winners were Flowers, outdoor — Linda Porter, Washington Boro R1; Sandy Risser, Lititz R1; Mary

Alice Graybill, Lititz R2; Shirley Buckwalter, Lititz R3. Indoor flowers — Marilyn Genzler, 2337 New Holland Pike, and Judy Buckwalter, Lititz R3.

Vegetables, Unit I — Gary Kupp, Denver R2; Unit II, Annette Long, Lititz R3; and Joan Forrey, Mount Joy, tomatoes; Donna Nissley, Manheim R3, potatoes and Tom

Houser, Lampeter, sweet corn. Girls cooking clubs taking part were the Penn Manor Kookie Cooks; Elizabethtown Crafty Cookers, Solanco Lassies, Kirkwood Homemakers, Stevens Hill Busy Bakers, Lampeter-Strasburg, Lititz What's Cooking, Pequea Valley, Millersville Pans, Conestoga Valley, Kabob Cookers, Donegal and the Jolly Caterers.

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U. S. Red Meat Production 15 Percent Greater Than A Year Earlier

Commercial production of red meat during June in the 48 States was 2,581 million pounds — up 15 percent from a year earlier and 1 percent more than the previous month.

Commercial meat production includes slaughter in federally inspected and other commercial plants but excludes farm slaughter.

CONTROL PESTS

Keeping pests out of your house is easier than getting them out. But they won't stay around if you get rid of food they can eat and places where they can hide, remind Penn State extension home management specialists. It's important to keep clean all likely hiding places, such as crevices in cupboards, walls, floors and behind kitchen drawers. Keep all food in tightly closed containers, and promptly dispose of garbage and other waste. Use pesticides when needed, and be sure to use them according to directions on the label.



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