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SCS Will Hold Fall Watershed Meetings In Co.

At the meeting of the Lancaster County Soil Conservation District Leaders, Monday night, it was decided that local watershed meetings would be held starting in October. The purpose of the meetings will be to show farmers in various parts of the County the benefits of conserving their natural resources, not only for future generations but for their own immediate use.

Several areas and meeting places were considered, and an officer was assigned the task of scheduling a date and arranging a meeting place for each suggested area.

Several names were suggested for nomination as the outstanding farmer cooperator of the year. It was suggested that further thought be given to this award and that nominations be kept open until the next meeting.

It was decided that the annual Soil Conservation Service meeting will be held in late February or early March, since this time of the year would probably best suit the work schedules of most farmers.

Several possibilities for a speaker for this meeting were discussed, and it was decided that these people would be.

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Winners At Solanco Fair

In the Baby Beef Judging at the Solanco Fair on Thursday Donald Swinehart of Quarryville R1 had the Champion 4-H Steer and the Grand Champion Steer, a Hereford.

The Reserve Champion was also a Hereford steer, and it was shown by Fred Linton, Jr., of Quarryville R2.

The FFA Champion Steer was an Angus shown by William Frey, Quarryville RD.

Farm Calendar

Sept. 23 — Lampeter Fair
3 p.m. — Hog Show, open class
7 p.m. — 4-H and FFA Baby Bee Show
— Ephrata Fair

Sept. 24 — Lampeter Fair
5 p.m. — Swine Assn on Foot Evaluation
— Ephrata Fair
7 p.m. — Baby Beef Show

Sept. 25 — Lampeter Fair
— Ephrata Fair

Sept. 26 — District 4-H Horse Show — Ludwigs Corner, Chester Co.

— Swine Assn. Carcass Evaluation at Kunzler & Co.
— Farm Women #18 meets at Manheim Auto Auction



No late roasting ears this year! Miles Fry, R.D. 3, Ephrata looks at his field of late sweet corn that in years past put corn on the table till frost. The plants this year are about knee-high. L. F. Photo

County Winners At 4-Day All-American Dairy Show

by Everett Newswanger
Staff Reporter

HARRISBURG — This week, Lancaster County Dairy Breeders invaded this capitol city with their prize show cattle along with the 2,200 other entries from 16 states for the Pennsylvania All-American Dairy Show held September 14 to 17 at the Farm Show Building. When the dust of the tan-bark had settled, local showmen had five grand champions, four senior champions, 13 class wins and a first place County Herd in their pockets.

Junior Dairy Show

The boys and girls in 4-H

and FFA started things rolling for the county Monday, when they brought home four Grand Champion ribbons at the Junior Dairy Show.

In the FFA Brown Swiss Class, Harold J. Brubaker, Mount Joy R1, repeated his achievement of the 1963 State Junior Dairy Show by taking both the Grand Champion and Senior Champion awards for Brown Swiss at the 1964 show. He won with the same animal, Welcome in Charming Gentle, a five-year-old cow. Harold, who is 17 and was graduated from Donegal High School in

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BLOSSOMELLE ZSA ZSA added six champion and first place ribbons to her collection this week at the Pennsylvania All-American Dairy Show at the Farm Show Bldg. The climax came Thursday when Judge John L. McKittrick pulled ZSA ZSA into first place in the dry three and four-year old class to become Lancaster County's only first place win in national competition. Mrs. Rhelda Royer is at the halter.

Special Drought Report

by Don Timmons

(Note: This is not meant to be an exhaustive study of the drought conditions in the county; nor is it meant to inform you that it's dry out there; we're certain you are aware of that! I made a quick swing into a few areas this week, sampled some opinions of farmers, and took a first hand look at some of the damaged crops. I was looking for two things: (1) did the damage seem to vary by areas; (2) did sound conservation practices seem to effect the extent of the damage.)

At the farm of John J. Herr, Mt. Joy R1, I looked at early corn, late corn, sorghum and alfalfa. The early corn was good. Herr suggested that if it were to be harvested as grain, the yield would be comparable with corn in a good

year. However, his hay had been pretty well fed-out, so he was ensiling the early corn, and estimated the yield at about 15 tons per acre. The late corn crop which had been planted for silage was a different story. It was planted about July 4th. It now stands between 2 to 3 feet tall with shriveled leaves, uneven growth, and some of it is beginning to tassel.

We next took a look at his alfalfa. Herr said he had made a third cutting in early August, but he didn't expect to get a fourth cutting this year. It looked very poor.

The sorghum field had been planted around the end of June for silage. According to Herr it should be about 8 to 10 feet high by now with any decent amount of rainfall. It stood only slightly better than knee high, and less than that in some places. It, too, had curled, brown and broken leaves, and the growth was spotty.

The early tobacco around the county was put away in pretty good shape, and most of the late tobacco looks like it might make a crop of some kind with just a little help from the weather. But I saw some late tobacco on the farm of Roy Mumma, Mt. Joy R1, that looked like it had stopped growing shortly after it was

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Take The Bus To NEPPCO

A welcome innovation at this year's NEPPCO Exposition here in Harrisburg will be free bus service for delegates between downtown hotels and the Farm Show building, providing a new convenience for many of the 5,000 poultrymen and their families expected to attend the 27th annual show.

The big annual exposition brings its three-day educational program and more than an acre of technical and commercial exhibits on the latest in poultry products, equipment and services to producers from the 14 northeastern states on October 6-7 and 8.

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Weather Forecast

Temperatures for the five-day period Saturday through Wednesday are expected to average 2 to 7 degrees above normal. The normal high and low temperatures for the period are 75 and 54 degrees. It will be warmer over the weekend, becoming more seasonal in the latter half of the period.

Precipitation may total greater than .5 inches, occurring mostly as rain on Tuesday and Wednesday.