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LANCASTER COUNTY'S 4-H STATE CHAMPION LIVESTOCK JUDGING TEAM added still another title to their laurels by topping the junior contest at the Pa. Livestock Exposition last week. Shown left to right: Eugene Hosler, R. D. 3 Manheim; Larry Weaver, R. D. 1 New Holland; John Frey and Kenneth Rutt, both R. D. 2 Quarryville; and coach M. M. Smith, Lancaster County Agent. The team will compete at the International Livestock Show at Chicago Nov. 27, Dec. 5.

Frey Leads County Showmen To Sweeping Victory At Timonium

After sweeping the competition in the junior division at the Eastern National Livestock Show at Timonium on Monday, the county was further honored when John Frey's grand champion Angus defeated all comers for the champion steer of-the-show award on Tuesday.

Frey's junior yearling, T O Laddie, is the same animal with which he won the junior division championship and reserve champion steer of-show title at the Pennsylvania Livestock Exposition at Harrisburg a week ago.

In the junior division show on Monday, the youngsters from Lancaster took every title in sight Frey had the

grand champion, Wesley Mast showed his champion Shorthorn to the reserve title, and Lancaster captured the county group championship.

In the Angus class, Frey had champion and reserve, the latter being the senior calf that had also topped his class at Harrisburg. Mast had the Shorthorn champion which he later showed to the reserve position behind Frey's Angus. Mast also won the reserve championship in the Hereford event.

This was the second consecutive year that Frey had taken the 4-H and FFA show title at Timonium. The seventeen-year old senior from Solanco High School is the son of Mrs. Anna Frey, Quarryville R2.

Don Good, University of Kansas, judged the steer events on both days. In the contention for steer-of-show prize he picked Frey's 1100-pound Angus over one shown by Conrad Grove, Chester County. He then picked the Grove animal for reserve champion over Mast's outstanding shorthorn.

Frey was only the second Lancasterian to ever win the top steer award at the Eastern National. The other was Wesley Mast.

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Candidates Are Named For FFA Keystone Degree

It was announced recently by the Pennsylvania State FFA Association that twenty-one boys in Lancaster County were among the one-hundred and ninety-eight Pennsylvania FFA members nominated to receive the Keystone Farmer Degree in January 1965.

According to Thomas Mahlon, FFA County Supervisor, this degree will be presented during Farm Show Week. Tentatively, plans are to present it on January 13 in the Forum of the Pennsylvania State Education Building, Harrisburg, in a meeting scheduled to start at 1 p.m.

No state is permitted to have more than two per cent of its registered FFA members receive this coveted award in any one year. Applications of outstanding boys from the individual FFA chapters are sent to the State Ass'n., and the latter organization rates these on the basis of leadership, citizenship, scholarship, and supervised farming programs.

The nominees selected for Lancaster County were drawn from seven FFA chapters: Witness Oak, Manheim, Garden Spot, Grassland, Solanco, Manor and Cloister.

County degree candidates: Witness Oak FFA Chapter (Donegal High School) — Stuart Emenheiser and Dennis and Donald Drager.

Manheim FFA Chapter (Manheim Central High School) — Lowell Landis, Joseph Russell and Gary Lefever.

Garden Spot FFA Chapter (Lampeter - Strasburg High School) — Kenneth Hess and Donald and Jay Herr.

Grassland FFA Chapter (Garden Spot High School) — Fred Nolt, Warren Good, William Fisher and Tony Folker.

Solanco FFA Chapter (Solanco High School) — Robert Ul-

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100 Poultrymen Attend DeKalb Meeting At Lanc. Poultry Center

About 100 poultrymen and allied industry men groped their way through the fog Thursday night to attend a DeKalb poultry meeting at the Lancaster Poultry Center.

The first phase of the program was handled by Jack Nelson, Assistant Manager of the DeKalb Poultry Division. He illustrated his talk on the company's research program with colored slides which showed the research farms, and offered graphic explanations of how the commercial inbred-hybrid chick is "manufactured."

Nelson explained that close inbreeding is essential for fixing desired traits. Part of the variation in chickens comes

from genetic makeup, and part from the influence of management (environment), Nelson said. As inbreeding progresses through several generations the genetic elements become "purified," and the breeder gains more control over this

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USDA Advises Continuation Of Diversion Prog.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture's Advisory Committee on Feed Grains and Wheat, at the conclusion of a recent two-day meeting, strongly recommended that the Secretary of Agriculture seek continuation of the voluntary wheat and feed grain legislation.

The committee also recommended that the feed grain and wheat programs be of at least five years duration so farmers can make better plans for cropland use.

The idea of a strategic commodity reserve was endorsed. This idea, contained in a report by a subcommittee of the National Agricultural Advisory Commission, was presented to the Secretary in October. It suggested study of the feasibility of a 630-million-bushel strategic wheat reserve and a 45-million-ton feed grains reserve. It was further recommended that the policy of releasing such reserves be clearly stated in advance.

The group discussed a long-range land retirement program.

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Farm Credit Holds Three-County Meetings

The Lancaster Farm Credit Association, composed of the Federal Land Bank and Production Credit Associations, recently concluded its series of annual meetings in the three county area serviced by the Lancaster office.

The meetings were held in Upper Dauphin High School, Elizabethville, on November 10; in Lampeter-Strasburg High School, Lampeter on November 12; and in Cleona High School, Annville on November 17.

Total attendance, including members and guests, at the three meetings was 296.

At each of the meetings an FFA member spoke to the group. The three speakers were Larry Engle, at Elizabethville; Donald Ranck, at Lampeter, and Dennis Crumbine at Annville.

At each meeting votes were cast for Directors, and total votes were tallied at the conclusion of the series. Newly elected Directors were: Jacob N. Smith, Annville R1, reelected as a Land Bank Director, and presently serving as President of the Association; H. Wilbur Heller, Conestoga R1, also reelected as a Land Bank Director, and presently a member of the Loan Executive Committee; John J. Kahler, Millersburg R1, reelected to the Board of the Production Credit Association.

The featured speaker for the meeting was S. L. Greenly, Ephrata, Pa. His talk was illustrated with movies of hunting and fishing expeditions along the Alcan Highway and in Canada, Northern United States, Yellowstone National

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Farm Calendar

Nov. 23 — 7:30 p.m., Meeting to elect county FFA officers. Lampeter-Strasburg High School.

— 8:00 p.m., Dairy Clinic, Solanco High School.

— 5th Annual Pa. Grassland Conference at Penn State University. Two days, 23 and 24.

Nov. 24 — 12 noon; New Holland 4-H Soil and Water Conservation Club exhibits at Kiwanis Luncheon, Hotel Brunswick, Lancaster.

— 8:00 p.m., Dairy Clinic, John Neff School, Neffsville.

Nov. 26 — Have a nice Thanksgiving Day!

Nov. 27 — International Livestock Show, Chicago. 11/27-12/5

Nov. 28 — 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Open House at Landis Valley Farm Museum, Rt. 222, Lancaster.