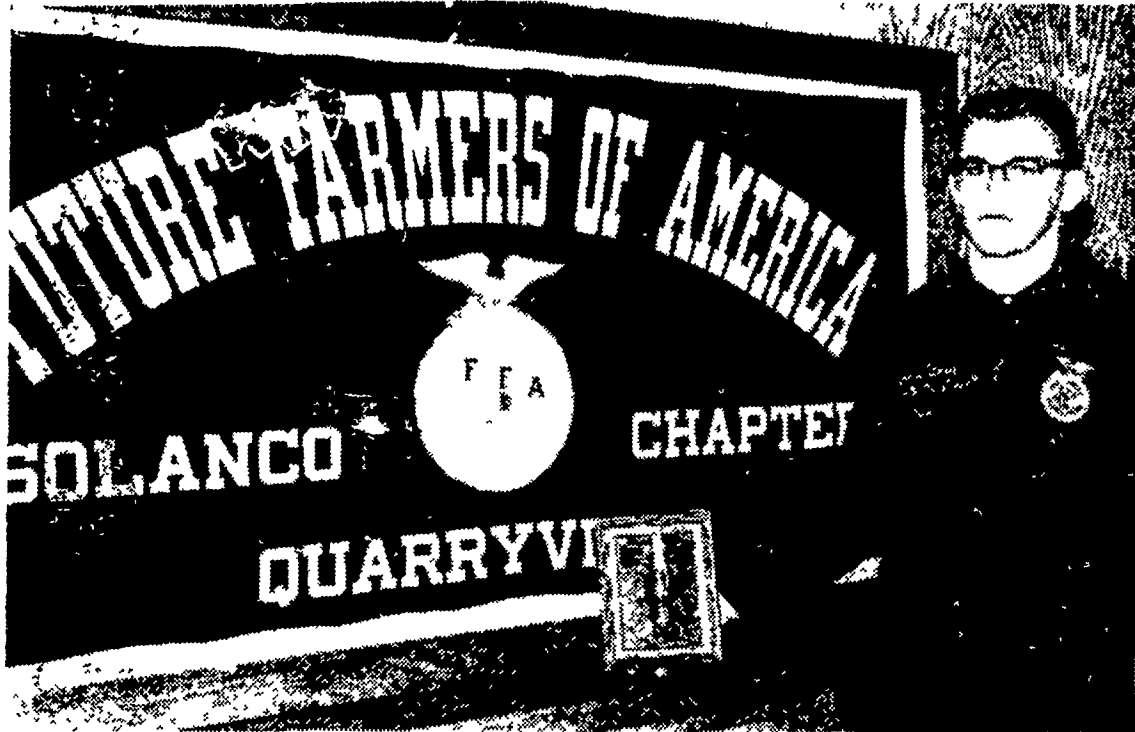


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STATE STAR FARMER, JOHN J. FREY, Quarryville R2, shows one of the many trophies he has won in FFA and 4-H Club competition during his four years as a student in Vocational Agriculture. After graduation in June, John plans on college at Penn State University.

## John Frey Climaxes Great FFA Career In Becoming State Star Farmer For '65

Being named winner of the highest honor that the Pennsylvania Future Farmers of America can confer, State Star Farmer, seemed a very fitting climax to the outstanding FFA career of John J. Frey, 17-year-old senior at Solanco High School. Although John can continue in FFA work until he becomes 21 years old, he recently received his notice of acceptance to the College of Agriculture at Penn State University, and a full-time college schedule does not allow time for much else.

The honors, awards, assortment of plaques and the achievements that John has accumulated in the past few years are too numerous to list here, but to mention a few recent ones he led the county 4-H livestock judging team, first to the state championship, then to eighth place in national competition, he showed the grand champion steer at the Eastern National Livestock Show for two consecutive years, he had the champion 4-H, FFA steer at the Pennsylvania Livestock Exposition in 1964 and went on to take the reserve grand championship at that show; he is president of the county FFA association, academically, he is a member of the National Honor Society—which means that he maintained at least a "B" average during his first two and one-half years of high school; and he is president of the Senior Class at Solanco.

The story behind this enviable record perhaps began when John was about two years old. It was at that time that his father, a cattle dealer, was killed in an accident. His Anna Frey had a farm and eight children to raise.

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## Co. F & H Campaign "Kicks-Off"; 520 Volunteers Canvass County

Solicitation of contributions and pledges of support for the Farm and Home Foundation Campaign is now under way, throughout Lancaster County, according to Levi H. Brubaker and Lawrence H. Skromme, General Co-Chairmen of the drive. Following a "Kick-Off" Rally of volunteer workers, held in Strasburg, Wednesday night, canvassing got under way in the southern and eastern areas of the county.

With several hundred men having started making contacts with every farm family in the northern end of the county, following Monday night's rally of volunteers in Litz, a total of 520 volunteers, practically all men, is now at work in behalf of the \$375,000 campaign. The Farm Gifts Division carries responsibility for raising at least two-thirds of the total amount needed, drive leaders announced.

In launching the campaign, officials point out that attainment of the goal will provide a solution to several major

problems of long-standing concern to agricultural leaders of the county. M. Maxwell Smith, County Agent, in speaking before both rallies of volunteer canvassers, indicated that the establishment of a Farm and Home Center will be of distinct advantage to both farmers and residents living in the suburbs. Smith said that the growing interest in developing attractive lawns and gardens, in recent years, has re-

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## Consv. Leader Blasts Cut In Resource Funds

The President's budget proposal to cut back federal support for conservation on privately-owned lands of the county was attacked by the president of the National Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts as a shocking and dangerous reversal of national policy on resource development.

"A 20 per cent cut-back in technical assistance and a 40 per cent reduction in cost sharing aid along with reduced federal support for conservation research programs, would reverse a national policy started 30 years ago and force a severe set-back in America's soil conservation and water development efforts," declared Marion S. Monk, Jr., President of the Association and a farmer at Batchelor, La.

"More than 70 per cent of the nation's land is in private ownership. This is where the lion's share of the resource work for America's future must be done," Monk added.

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## AFBF Leader Supports Govt's Tighter Stand On Farm Spending

Charles B. Shuman, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, recently issued the following comment on the budget message transmitted to Congress by President Lyndon B. Johnson.

"President Johnson's budget message to Congress indicates a realization that the cost and scope of present government farm programs are indefensible. It is increasingly apparent that these programs must be substantially revised in the interests of farmers, consumers, and all taxpayers.

"While we believe President Johnson has underestimated the number of farms that will be needed in the future, the American Farm Bureau Federation stands ready to work with Congress and the President in constructive effort."

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## Tobacco Quota and Referendum Info Released

It was announced Thursday by the office of the Secretary of Agriculture that the national marketing quota for the 1965 crop of Pennsylvania Seedleaf tobacco would be set at 442 million pounds.

It was also announced that Thursday February 18 was set as the date for a growers' referendum on quotas for the next three crop years. In terms of acres, this quota figure would amount to about 24,000 acres available for 1965 crop allotment.

The allotment figures for county breakdown were not available at press time, but it was estimated by the local ASCS office to be in the neigh-

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## PFBCA-Agway Merger Gets Local Approval

The stockholder representatives of Pennsylvania Farm Bureau Cooperative Association recently voted to merge their organization with Agway, Inc. of Syracuse, N.Y. The merger takes effect July 1, 1965.

The decision by the PFBCA stockholder representatives followed a series of votes on the merger proposal by members of local Farm Bureau associations across the state. Of the 34 local associations voting to date, 25 have approved affiliating with Agway. Lancaster County Farm Bureau Cooperative Association voted last week for the merger.

## Dean Larson To Speak At Annual Extension Meet.



Dr. Russell E. Larson

The annual meeting of the Lancaster County Agricultural and Home Economics Extension Association will be held on Thursday evening, February 11, 1965, at 6:30 p.m. at Hostetter's Banquet Hall, Mount Joy, Pa.

The guest speaker will be Dr. Russell E. Larson, Dean of the College of Agriculture, The Pennsylvania State University. Special music will be furnished by the "Kreider Four" from Quarryville. In addition, there will be a brief business meeting of the association with the president.

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The Agway Board of Directors approved merger with Pennsylvania Farm Bureau at a meeting in November. In joining Agway, the Pennsylvania cooperatives become part of a farmer-owned purchasing and marketing organization serving 12 northeastern states.

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## Weather Forecast

### WEATHER

Temperatures for the five-day period Saturday through Wednesday are expected to average below normal. There will be some moderating temperatures about mid-week. Normal for the period is a high of 39 degrees and a low of 23.

Precipitation is expected to amount to much less than 1/4 inch melted. This will occur as snow late Saturday or early Sunday.

## Farm Calendar

- Feb 1—7:30 p.m. Farm Welding Class, Ephrata High School.
- Feb 2—7:29 p.m., Garden Spot Young Farmers Class meet at Elmer Sensenig's Grocery Store (north of Blue Ball on Rt 322). Meat cutting and processing demonstrations.
- Feb. 3—1:30 p.m. 4-H Tailoring Class.
- 7:15 p.m. Community Soil Consv. meeting at Lincoln Independent School near Martindale. Discussion lead-

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