



John Kurtz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Kurtz, 1160 North Market Street, Elizabethtown, Pa. is holding the calf he won by having the highest score in a calf chain contest held this month. Willis M. Hackman (center) presented this calf on Tuesday at the regular FFA meeting at the high school. Looking on is John Hertzler (left) from whose herd Hackman received his calf three years ago. The dam of this calf has a first lactation record of 684 lbs. fat in 305 days and 16,285 lbs. milk.

E'Town FFA Reports On Its Many Activities

CALF CHAIN

The Elizabethtown FFA owns five purebred registered heifers. Four are Holsteins and one is a Guernsey. Five years ago the Chapter solicited funds from local businesses to buy calves for a calf chain. The Chapter bought one Guernsey and one Holstein and a local breeder gave a Holstein. Irwin Engle and Gary Kleiner won the Holsteins and Kenneth Meyer won the Guernsey. The next year another Holstein was purchased and another one was given. Willis M. Hackman and Edward Shoop won these calves. The following year Dennis Patches and Donald Patches each won a second generation calf. Last year Donald Guber, Nevin Hiestand, and Leon Rutt each won a calf. This year the highest scorer was John Kurtz who received his calf from Willis Hackman.

The competition for these calves is very keen. There are usually six boys trying for usually not more than three calves.

SEAR'S FOUNDATION

Elizabethtown Chapter has two gilts purchased with money given by the Sears Foundation. Last year James Schwanger and Paul Mummau had these gilts. Paul's farrowed nine pigs and raised eight. James' gilt farrowed sixteen and raised thirteen. James gave a pig to Donald Miller and Paul gave one to Dale Bernier to continue the chain.

FFA BANQUET

The annual Father and Son FFA Banquet is usually held in the school cafeteria during the month of March. The Chapter holds a scrap drive to pay most of the expenses. Inducting Honorary members into the Chapter is one of the highlights of the Banquet. Following the banquet open house is held in the Agriculture Department for the fathers to see the boys' projects.

FIELD CROPS

This past year the FFA farmed about fifteen acres of

ground the school district purchased for future expansion. The FFA raised tobacco, corn, and alfalfa on this ground last year. The entire FFA works on this project to raise funds for Chapter trips. This year the Chapter plans to have a one day trip for the Freshman, a two day trip for the Sophomores, and a one week trip for the Juniors and a four week trip to the West Coast for the Seniors.

TRUCK PURCHASE

The FFA Chapter is now making plans to purchase a microbus for the members to use for their summer trips and for class field trips. It will also be useful for the farming program and FFA sports events.

In money earned, tourism is France's third largest industry.

Ext. Service Sponsors "Soils Day" On 25th

On Thursday, February 25, the Lancaster County Extension Service, in cooperation with Penn State, will sponsor its 5th Annual Crops and Soils Day.

The meeting will be held at Leola Memorial Hall, Leola. It will begin at 9 a.m. and conclude at 3 p.m.

The program will feature four extension agronomists and one extension entomologist discussing soils, soil fertility, fertilizer treatments, forage crop production practices, insect controls for forage crops, and weed control.

In addition, exhibits will be displayed by area lime, fertilizer, seed and farm supply distributors. A lunch will be served at noon.

Quotas

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1967 crop years growers may produce and market as much type 41 tobacco as they wish — or, more accurately, they may sell as much as the market will absorb. The present stocks of Pa. cigar-filler tobacco on hand are reputed to amount to a four-year supply. This fact has caused government tobacco officials concern for the stability of the market for cigar-filler tobacco.

Farm Calendar

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—Feb 23, 24, 25 the 20th Annual Nurserymen's Conference will be held at Nittany Lion Inn, Penn State Univ.

Feb. 24—through Feb. 25, open house at Farmersville Equipment Co., Farmersville.

Feb 25—9 a.m. to 3 p.m., 5th Annual "Soils Day" sponsored by the Extension Service will be held at Leola Memorial Hall, Leola.

Feb 26—1 p.m. Lancaster County Soil & Water Conservation District will hold a conservation contractors' school at the Farm Credit Bldg., W. Roseville Rd., Lancaster.

7 p.m. Garden Spot Young Farmers, annual Awards Banquet, at Garden Spot H. S., New Holland.

—Feb 26 and 27 the annual 4-H play will be held at Hempfield H. S. It is called "The Marriage Machine."

Blackbird-Baths

(Continued from Page 3). possibilities. "Scare devices can be of value if properly used. Certain varieties are more resistant to bird damage than others. Damage depends in part on proximity to rivers and marshes and we know of no good repellent to use on seed."

He said chemical toxicants have been used and thousands of birds have been killed. Parathion is one chemical that is quite effective but as Seubert pointed out "we have found that many birds travel a few miles before death occurs. They probably are carrying the pesticide on their feathers and as far as this bureau is concerned this makes the chemical too hazardous for use!"

Decoy traps have been used successfully in some areas especially near orchards and vineyards. Twenty-four traps

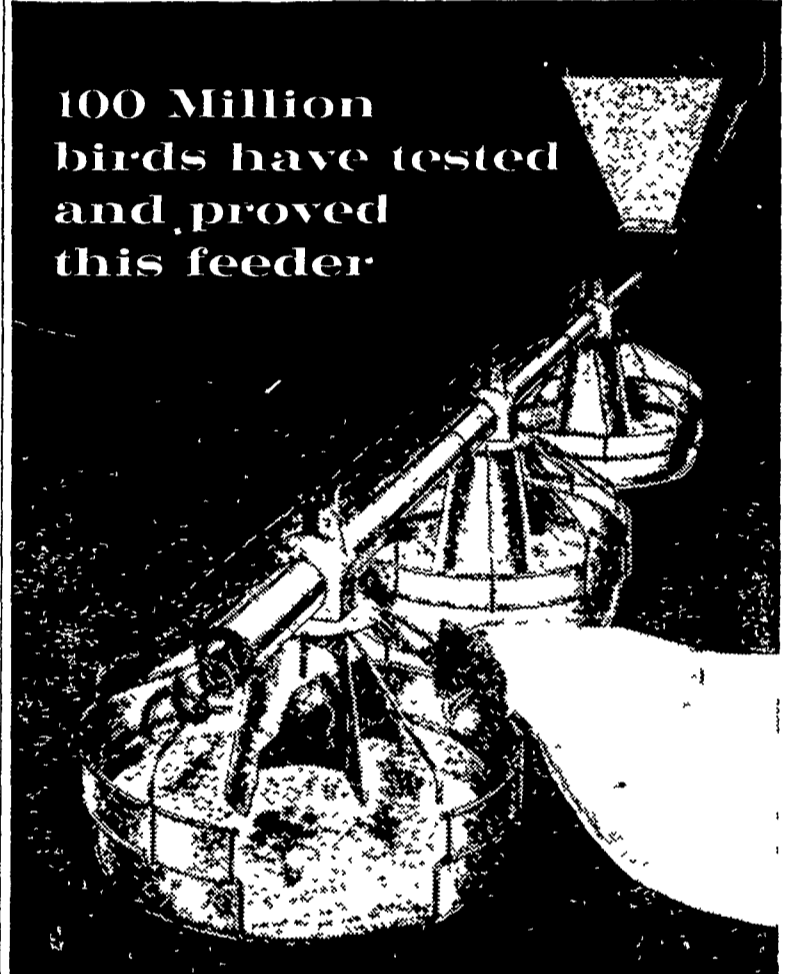
were set out last summer in the Delaware area. The average take was 17 birds per trap per day. The traps used in this test ranged from ten feet square to large rectangular traps 16x60 ft.

Sale Register

Wed., March 10, 1965 at 12:00 Noon, Public Sale of Stock, Implements, and some household goods on the premises located along road leading from Marietta to Mount Joy, one-half mile from the Borough of Marietta. Terms by Harry H. Emenheiser.

Fri., March 12, 1965 at 12:00 Noon, Public Sale of stock, implements and some household goods on premises along the road leading from Middletown to Hummelstown on the Christman farm. Terms by L. J. Christman.

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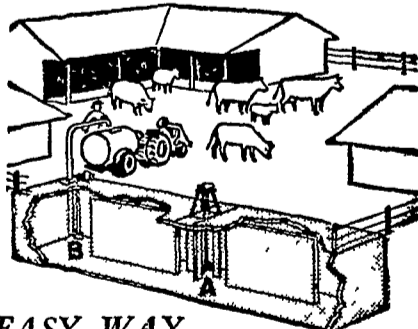
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