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April DHIA Led By Red Rose Cow; Zook Herd

A registered Holstein cow owned by the Red Rose Research Center, 226 Pitney Road, Lancaster, completed the highest 305 day lactation in the county in April according to the Red Rose Dairy Herd Improvement Assn. She produced 19,048 lbs. of milk and 821 lbs of butterfat with a 4.3 percent test. Second high lactation was completed by a registered Holstein cow owned by John M Harnish, Beaver Valley Pike, Lancaster. She produced 17,062 lbs of milk and 817 lbs. of fat in 305 days

The herd with the highest monthly butterfat average was owned by Christian Zook, Ronks R1. This herd of 14 registered and grade Holsteins averaged 1,677 lbs. of milk and 66 lbs fat. Runner-up for high butterfat herd was J. Richard Keller, Manheim-R1, with an average of 1,829 lbs milk and 65 lbs fat on his 23 registered and grade Holstein cows.

Farmers Urged To Retain Milk Order By NFU

Approximately 50 Chester and Lancaster County farmers turned out for joint meeting Wednesday night at the Oxford Area High School sponsored by the county associations of the National Farmers Union.

The subject that demanded the meeting was how to retain the federal milk order for the Delaware Valley area, and this was the second meeting this week in which dairymen were urged to fight the announced order termination

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Farm Calendar

June 8 — 10 a.m. Hearing on the termination of the Delaware Valley Federal Milk Marketing Order at South Roof Conference Room, Hotel Adelphia, 13th and Chestnut Sts., Philadelphia — 7:30 p.m. New Providence 4-H Club at New Providence Elementary School.

June 9 — 10 a.m. 4-H Strawberry Exhibit at Odd Fellows Hall, 213 West Chestnut St., Lancaster.

June 11 — 4-H Boots and Saddles Club at Columbia Riding School, 18th and Manor Sts., Columbia.

June 12 — Lebanon County Chicken Barbecue at Fireman's Park, Fredericksburg. Rain date, June 13. Chicken-cooking contest at 3 p.m.; Barbecue served from 4 p.m.



NEWEST ARRIVAL AT CORNWALL FARM is steadied by Edison W. Osborne, Peach Bottom area dairyman. The little Jersey heifer calf posed reluctantly for this picture shortly after her arrival into what must have seemed literally a world full of cows as she looked out at the 134-head herd of registered and grade Jersey neighbors. The proud Mama is Milkboy Nan whose last completed 305-day lactation totaled 9,990 pounds of milk and 611 pounds of fat.

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PSU Says Spray Alfalfa Stubble After 1st Crop

Alfalfa weevil damage has been extremely severe throughout southeastern Pennsylvania on the 1965 first cutting alfalfa. Management of existing stands should be directed now toward improving their vigor and vitality, according to Penn State Extension Service. Two important factors which are unfavorable for the health and vigor of alfalfa stands are: extra early cutting of the first crop, loss of leaves due to serious alfalfa weevil damage.

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Poultry Federation Sets Summer Festival For August 24-29

Committees for the Pennsylvania Poultry Federation's 1965 summer festival have begun working toward the annual event, according to Paul Konhaus of Mechanicsburg, general chairman. The festival will be held August 24-29 at Harshey Park, 12 miles east of Harrisburg. As in other years, it is being held in cooperation with Pennsylvania Dutch Days, the popular folk celebration. Climax of the festival will occur on Saturday, August 28, when a "Miss Pennsylvania Poultry Queen" will ascend her

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Inter-State Co-Op Members Meet To Marshall Resistance To Gov't. Termination Of Fed. Milk Order

by Everett Newswanger
Staff Reporter

ATGLEN — Local dairymen can expect to receive at least 50 cents per hundred-weight less for their milk. This was one of the disclosures presented to the 250 Lancaster and Chester County dairy farmers present Tuesday evening at the public question-answer session held to inform the members of the Inter-State Milk Producers Cooperative Assn of the agriculture department's proposal to terminate the Delaware Valley milk marketing order (Federal Order No. 4).

Under this order the individual handler pool is effective. Each producer is paid according to the class 1 milk utilization of his individual handler. A minimum price is set for milk bought from the

farm. It in no way controls production.

Last month, notice was given by the U S Department of Agriculture that it was considering immediate termination of Federal Order No. 4 in its present form. "Almost insurmountable administrative difficulties in the effective and uniform enforcement," was given as the reason for this move.

Officials of the cooperative at the meeting in Octorara Area High School auditorium expressed the feeling that the department failed to even try to enforce the order. Inter-State is opposed to ending the order. They list these reasons why it should be continued and enforced: 1—It establishes a minimum price to be paid to producers; 2—It ensures an adequate milk

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Jerseys Have "CowPower" Says Million-Pound Milk Producer Edison Osborne

Last week we asked editor Osborne said, but a dairyman ally what it takes for a dairyman to produce a million profit from any animal with pounds of milk a year profitably. Edison W Osborne of Cornwall Farm at Peach Bottom R1 has performed this feat for the past three years with his 134-head Jersey herd. He feels that the extra "cow power" he gets from his Jerseys is part of the answer. What is cow power? Ed explained it as a measure of the productive efficiency of an animal. It represents a ratio of her milk production to her body weight. For example, a 1000-pound cow producing 10,000 pounds of milk would have a cow-power rating of 10, since she produced 10 times her body weight in milk. This is a good rating,

is practically guaranteed a score of 12 and up. Excellent would be about 15. A Jersey producing 10,000 pounds of milk is generally considered the equivalent of a Holstein producing 15,000 pounds in terms of net profit, he said. As he warmed up to the subject he listed a few other things he likes about the breed. They are a small animal, generally less than 1000 pounds, which means they are easy to handle and require somewhat less feed for body maintenance.

In light of current consumer thinking on high fat foods we wondered about the "disadvantages" of producing milk that tests between 5.5 and 6 percent butterfat. He suggested that even if producers were someday forced to sell their butterfat at a disadvantage, if consumers could be convinced to buy milk on the basis of its non-fat, useful food value then Jerseys could still compete with lower-testing breeds because their solids-not-fat (SNF) is generally higher. His herd is averaging about 9.5 percent SNF, about 15 percent higher than the average 3.7 percent fat-test herds. He predicted payment on this basis will not come about un-

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Vo-Ag Teachers Prepare For FFA Week At Meeting

Lancaster County teachers of vocational agriculture discussed the details preliminary to final preparations for FFA Week at their regular monthly meeting held this week at Elizabethtown High School.

FFA Week is an annual event held at Penn State University. This year it is scheduled for June 16-18. The teachers heard T. M. Malin, area supervisor for vocational agricultural education, outline some of the details effecting this year's program. He told the teachers that the fee for participating students had been raised this year to help cover the increasing costs of FFA Week. It was found that because of increased entries last year

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M. M. Smith To Attend Special Courses At Colorado State Univ.

Lancaster County Agricultural Agent, M Maxwell Smith, has been awarded a Farm Film Foundation Scholarship to attend the National Summer School for Extension Workers. This three-week session will be given at Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado, from June 14 through July 2, 1965.

Smith will enroll in two Extension Courses, "Principles in the Development of Agricultural Policy" and "Public Relations in Extension Education." Both of these are credit courses toward advanced degrees in

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Bob Fisher Awarded Two-Day Tour To Study Consv. In Upstate N.Y.

Robert E Fisher, 16-year-old son of Mr and Mrs. Earl S Fisher of East Earl R1, will be one of thirteen Pennsylvania 4-H Club members making a two-day bus tour of southcentral New York state on June 16-17.

The 4-H'ers, all participants in the Soil and Water Conservation program, will observe conservation practices on the tour and will visit points of interest in the Finger Lakes region.

Fisher, a sophomore at Garden Spot High School, has

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Weather Forecast

Temperatures for the five-day period, Saturday through Wednesday, are expected to average near normal. Normal for the period is a high of 81 and a low of 58 degrees. It will be warmer over the weekend, and cool toward the end of the period.

Precipitation will occur as rain about Sunday and again, on Wednesday. Total accumulation will probably be more than 1/2 inch.