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FHA Recreation Loans Locally Are Encouraged

Producing additional dollars on low-income or idle Lancaster, Lebanon and Chester County farm land is being encouraged by a Farmers Home Administration supervised credit program to develop farm-based recreation enterprises.

Richard W Hoover, the agency's county supervisor, with offices at the Post Office Building, Lancaster, Pa., this week listed the many types of recreation enterprises financed by FHA loans in rural areas

Area farmers may apply for loans to finance construction of vacation cabins or other facilities such as ponds and lakes for boating and fishing, vacation farms, riding stables, nature trails, picnic grounds, youth camps, travel-trailer parks, and shooting preserves. "Farmers Home Administration is using its farm operating and farm ownership loan

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Penn State Will Study Unstable Flavors In Milk

A basic study of milk — from the time of its secretion by the cow's mammary gland until it is processed and stored for consumption — will be undertaken by Pennsylvania State University scientists under a \$124,810 grant awarded by the U. S. Department of Agriculture

With the aim of gaining a better understanding of milk flavor instability, the university scientists will seek to identify and trace to their origins those milk constituents responsible for flavor changes. This grant research is part of an effort by USDA's Agricultural Research Service to find new and improved

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Farm Calendar

June 29 — 6:30 p.m. Dairy meeting at Abram Groff's farm, Pinkerton Road, Mount Joy; sponsored by I.S.F. Corp. Will feature a panel discussion. Dr. E. J. Czarnetsky will speak to the group on an amplified long-distance telephone hook up and will answer questions from the dairymen attending

— 4-H Regional horse and pony judging contest at Harvey A. Fulmer farm, Glen Moore Rd.; from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

July 1 — 7:30 a.m. Nurserymen's tour of Long Island leaves by bus from King of Prussia Plaza Shopping Center; return about 8 p.m.



MANY "DETOURISTS" have discovered what Spruce Villa's regular customers have known for a long time — they can buy fresh, wholesome milk in the country in large containers and save money in the bargain!

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Umble Cow Scores Excellent In Recent Classification Trial

Merlynook Tiptop Patricia, a Registered Holstein cow in the herd of Harold M. Umble, Atglen, Pa., has been officially classified "Excellent" — the highest designation attainable in the type classification program of the Holstein-Friesian Association of America.

This highly select designation is applied only to animals scoring 90 or more of the 100 points representing theoretical perfection in body conformation, and of over 74,000 Registered Holsteins officially classified for type last year, only 735, or about 1 percent, were rated "Excellent."

The Umble Holstein moved into the "Excellent" bracket for the first time during a recent classification of the herd by Clyde Wilson, Rushville, Pa., an official inspector on the staff of the national Holstein organization. Her score was 90 points.

Area Holsteins Completing New Milk Records

New, officially recognized milk and butterfat levels by registered Holstein cows in this area were listed in a recent special report from the Holstein-Friesian Association of America. Records were listed for cows owned by the following dairymen:

Elam Bollinger, Manheim
1-Earlymead Dunloggin Gietchen, a seven-year-old, produced 20,260 lbs milk and 775 lbs fat in 332 days

2-El Lyndo Dean Janay, a

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County Poultry Assn. Auction Grosses \$2350

The weather cooled down Thursday evening and the bidding urges of the 100 to 150 persons coming and going at the auction sale of equipment at the Lancaster County Poultry Center heated up to the extent the Association was able to gross \$2,350.22 on the sale of their equipment and materials.

Auctioneer Omar Landis took excellent advantage of the lively buying interest displayed by the crowd. While such miscellaneous items as clip board, song books, paper cups, etc. went for what appeared to be relatively high prices, some of the larger equipment was very reasonable.

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Dairymen Can Beat "Summer Slump" By Mgt.

Good dairy management during hot weather can keep August milk production near the May level, the U. S. Department of Agriculture reports.

Dairymen have long complained about a "summer slump" generally considered a result of the hot weather. But cooperative research, by USDA's Agricultural Research Service and the Georgia and Louisiana Agricultural Experiment Stations indicates that reduced milk yield is not mainly due to heat exhaustion in cattle.

Dr. Robert E. McDowell, ARS dairy scientist at Belts-

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County Dairyman Sells Milk By The Jug Through Own Farm Retail Outlet

"A business like this takes a considerable investment, but it pays me a satisfactory return," says Milton Brubaker of Spruce Villa Dairy. The farm is just north of Lititz on the temporary Route 501 detour. While the detour may have hurt some other local tradesmen, it has brought a lot of traffic right to the door of Spruce Villa.

The business to which this dairyman refers is a retail milk jugging operation. He's been at it for about three years now and currently sells his total production from a 35-head Ayrshire herd through the attractive retail farm store in gallon and half-gallon jugs. He compared the investment needed for setting up this retail outlet as about equivalent to that needed if he had chosen to double his

herd size instead of running the jugging business.

Under the regulation of the Pennsylvania Milk Control Commission (PMCC) any dairyman can sell jugged milk at his own price. Brubaker said he must sell only his own milk which is produced on his own farm, processed in his own plant, and sold at the farm.

To many dairymen who may be averaging less than \$5 per hundredweight for their milk, the 80 cents per gallon that Brubaker gets may sound pretty good. But as in any retailing of farm products, there are additional costs and problems that are often overlooked by those not immediately involved. We already mentioned the large investment needed, but how

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MILK BY THE JUGFUL is dispensed by Milton Brubaker in his attractive farm store where customers bring in their own gallon or half-gallon jugs for refills. The store also handles other associated food products.

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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 would be a high of 86 degrees and a low of 63. It will be warmer Sunday and Monday, then cooler Tuesday and Wednesday.

Precipitation for the period will probably total less than 1/4 inch, occurring as scattered showers about mid-week.

