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to work on their own farms. Success in the future, he said will depend on how well this new information is applied. In discussing breeding, Roth said that developing a herd of cattle on genetic selection alone is slow, tedious work. There is not much gain in a single generation. A breeder must be willing to replace animals with younger, better ones that will help him move faster in the direction he wants to go

"He must know the particular weaknesses of each cow

in the herd," Roth said, "and then select the proper sire to balance that weakness."

Several other speakers were heard from during the afternoon session: Mrs. Herbert Royer introduced Linda Welk, 1965 Lancaster County Dairy Princess, to the group. Linda recounted some of her experiences at the recent state dairy princess contest at Towanda, Pa., and told the group that she was proud to be representing the Lancaster County dairy industry.

Director of the state Guernsey association, Rohrer Witmer, reported on the current status of the state association. He also told the breeders that the state sale will be held in conjunction with the All-American Dairy Show this year, and that there will be

Livestock Research Suffering From Lack Of Funds, Prof. Says

Professor J. K. Loosli, head of the animal husbandry department, N. Y. State College of Agriculture, recently told scientists from U. S. and Canada that "research programs

45-50 head of Guernseys sold. National director, Raymond Witmer, who went into that office last May, reported on the last meeting at Chicago in July. He said that the national club has had more new members apply this past year than ever in the history of the Guernsey breed.

Ben Smoker of Lilac Guernsey Farm, Paradise R1, was selected as donor for the FFA calf to be given at Lampeter Fair

Other winners in the judging contest were

LADIES 1, Mrs C Henry Breneman, Strasburg R1; 2, Joyce Wagner, Quarryville R2, 3, Pauline Stoltzfus, Ronks R1

CHILDREN 1, Edwin Breneman, Willow Street; 2, Carl Eby, 821 Penn Grant Rd, Lancaster; 3, Nelson Landis, 1804 Hempstead Rd, Lancaster

MEN 1, Harry S Mumma, Landisville, 2, Melvin Breneman, Strasburg R1, 3, Robert Book, Kirkwood R1, 4, Larry Breneman, Strasburg R1

in animal sciences are relatively less well financed today than they were two or three decades ago."

He said that research in many departments is supported only by the income from the sale of milk and surplus animals.

The result, Loosli said, is that fundamental types of research cannot be properly supported, and too many men of high potential are being diverted from animal science research.

Although most animal science departments in the state universities are relatively well housed and staff salaries are in line, the budgets for maintenance, operation, and expensive equipment are entirely inadequate, Loosli said.

Perhaps because of the present abundant food supply legislators see no need for production research in agriculture. This is evidenced in the increasing degree of difficulty researchers are experiencing in obtaining adequate funds even for present pro-

grams, the department head said.

Loosli reminded his audience, members of the American Society of Animal Sciences, that one of the reasons the U. S. is the best fed nation in the world is because of the job researchers, and producers, have done in the past. He suggested a continuation of those efforts rather than a coasting period in which population increases could all but wipe out the gains.

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day's sale with prices averaging about steady. The 188 head offered sold as follows: lightweights, 23 85-25 25; 190-200 lbs., 25 26 10; 200-220 lbs., 25.50-27, 220-240 lbs., 25-26 35; heavyweights, 21-25 50. Sows brought 19 35-20.75.

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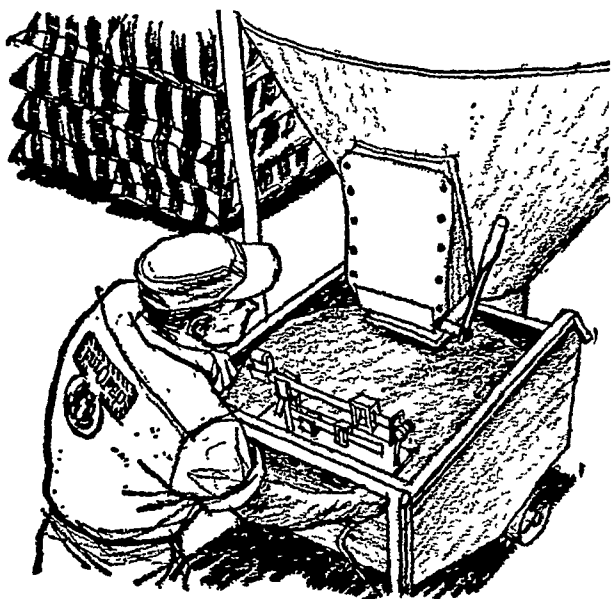
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