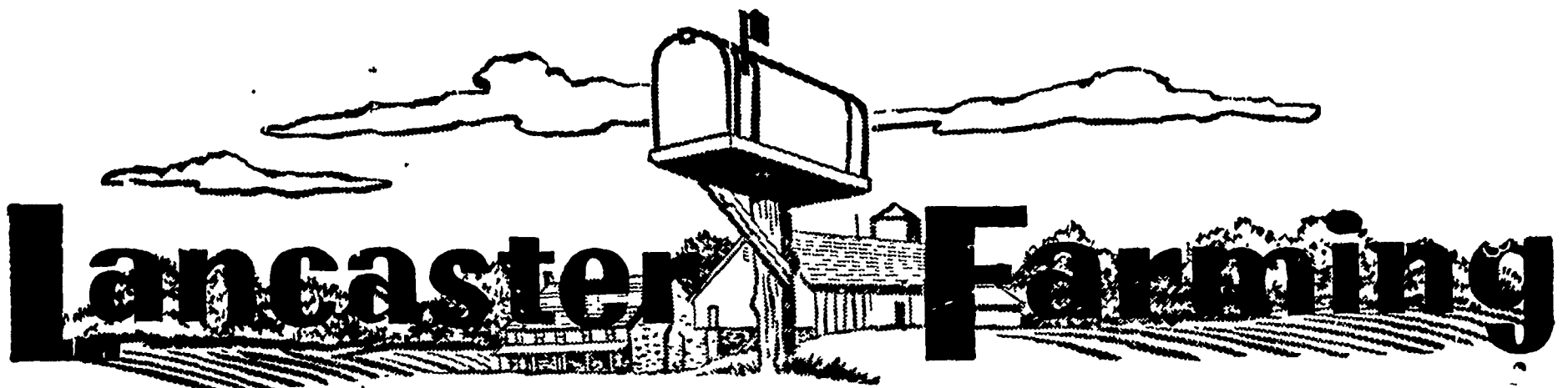


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GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY insignia for the 50th Pennsylvania Farm Show denotes progress in Pennsylvania agriculture.

Golden Anniversary Farm Show Salutes Progress In Pennsylvania Agriculture

The theme of the 50th Pennsylvania Farm Show which opens its doors next Monday will be "A Salute to Progress in Pennsylvania Agriculture." The show will run from January 10-14, at the Farm Show Building, Harrisburg.

It will provide an amazing contrast with the first show held in 1917 in a downtown farm machinery dealer's building, and attended by about 5,000 people.

The idea of having a statewide farm show culminated in a meeting of farm leaders in Lancaster at the old Leopard Hotel with various officials of the department of

agriculture. A show committee was formed, and plans were drawn up which led directly to that first Farm Show.

As agriculture became more mechanized, and the role of the farmer more complex, machinery exhibits and educational meetings became the highlights of the Farm Show. In recent times, with the gradual reduction in number of farmers, the Farm Show continues to be a major attraction for hundreds of thousands of consumer families, many getting their first close contact with livestock and farm products.

All the exhibit space in the 13-acre State Farm Show Bldg. had been assigned by early December for this show. Commercial exhibits, ranging from silos to seed corn, and

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Funk Elected SWCD Chairman For 14th Term; Associate Directors Cooperation Urged For 1966



Amos H. Funk

The Lancaster County Soil & Water Conservation District directors named Amos H. Funk, Millersville R1, to his 14th year as chairman, Monday night. Also reelected were Henry Hackman, vice-chairman, and Garland Gingerich, secretary-treasurer.

The meeting, held at the Farm Credit Bldg., Lancaster, was largely devoted to getting acquainted with the associate directors, many of whom were newly appointed, and to inform them on their function in the district.

Director Henry Hackman outlined the organization of the soil and water conservation district for the two-dozen associate directors attending the meeting. Hackman explained that the district is a means whereby local people control the types of conservation programs they want, and utilize various federal funds and services to accomplish this goal. He said that the associate directors are ambassadors for conservation, and that each of them is an oasis in his area, serving as an example and a source of information for his neighbors.

Chairman Funk reported

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New Feeder Pig Grade Standards Are Adopted

The U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced the adoption of official standards for 5 grades of feeder pigs which became effective Jan. 1, 1966.

The 5 grades established by USDA's Consumer and Marketing Service are U S No 1, 2, 3, Medium, and Cull. These grade names are the same as those for slaughter hogs and pork carcasses.

The new standards provide for the evaluation of 2 general value-determining characteristics of feeder pigs — their logical slaughter potential and their thriftiness. For example, if a feeder pig is graded U S No 1, it has the potential for developing into a U S. No 1 slaughter hog that will produce a U S No 1 carcass. Thriftiness is the ability of a feeder pig

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Vo-Ag Teachers Plan For Fair Fund Budget

The Lancaster County Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association met Thursday at Garden Spot High School, New Holland Topping the agenda was development of a proposed budget for distribution of this year's fair fund.

The fair fund allocates \$2,000 annually to use by the county FFA chapters for their various activities. These activities include the FFA hog show, chapter parliamentary procedure contests, public speaking contests, Chapter Star Farmer awards, FFA scholarships, and many more.

Committees were selected for each of these major activities. Each teacher was

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Crop Reporting Award Goes To Levi Brubaker

Levi H. Brubaker, Rohrerstown, has been singled out as one of four distinguished reporters by the Pennsylvania

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Levi H. Brubaker

Weather Forecast

The outlook for the next five days calls for temperatures to average below the normal range of 39-24 degrees. It will be cold over the weekend, with temperatures moderating somewhat Monday, then colder again Tuesday and Wednesday.

The expected Farm Show precipitation "will" occur as rain Monday night, followed by possible rain or snow on Tuesday.

Fisher Filler Entry 1st In Open Tobacco Show; Thomas In FFA

Melvin S. Fisher of Strasburg R1, a perennial tobacco show winner, topped a 168-entry field Thursday in the Lancaster County Tobacco Show with championships in both the wrapper and filler classes. The champion entry of the open show, held at the Bayuk Cigar Co. warehouse, was Fisher's long-filler leaf.

Winner of the short filler class was Roy M. Rohrer, Strasburg R1. Melvin L. Long of Lititz R3 was first in long wrappers, with the champion binder award going to Robert B. Leed, 2421 Fruitville Pike, Lancaster. Witmer J. Rohrer of Strasburg R1 placed first in the short binder category.

In the vocational competition, Richard Thomas of Millersville R1, won his second championship in a week. Last week Thomas won first place honors in filler tobacco leaf and second prize in wrapper leaf at the 4-H corn and tobacco exhibit. This week his filler entry was rated the best overall tobacco in the 60-entry FFA show.

Judging the event was Ben

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Farm Calendar

- January 10-14, Pennsylvania Farm Show
- January 10—Jan 10-11, Farm Women State Convention, Education Bldg., Harrisburg. —8 a.m., All Ayrshire Dairy judging at Farm Show. —7:30 p.m., Ephrata Adult Farmer Arc Welding Class at Ephrata High School.
- January 11—8 a.m., All Holstein Dairy Judging at Farm Show —7:30 p.m., Penn Manor Farm Welding Class at P. M. High School.
- January 12—8 a.m., All Jersey and Brown Swiss Dairy Judging at Farm Show. —9 a.m., Angus and Hereford Judging at Farm Show
- January 13—8 a.m., 4-H Breed-

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The annual FARM SHOW section will be found on pages 13 through 20 of this issue of Lancaster Farming. The section includes feature stories about the show, a story on Lancaster County's FFA Keystone Farmer Degree winners, and the complete Farm Show schedule. We suggest you lift the section out and take it to the Farm Show with you. Other regular features of Lancaster Farming will be found in their regular spots in the paper.