

● **Now Is The Time** ing time we often have to take what is left. Seeds should be stored in a dry place away from chemicals and weed spray materials. by ordering early; at plant-

STOLEN CARS RECOVERED
NEW YORK — Although more than 90 percent of all automobiles stolen in the United States are recovered, according to the Insurance Information Institute, about 30 percent of the recovered cars have been damaged or stripped of parts — many to the extent that they represent total losses.

"OLD HICKORY"
A tall Pennsylvania hickory pole was the source of a cane used by President Andrew Jackson. Judge Daniel Dingman of Pike County cut the pole, and floated it to Easton by raft. It later became a flag pole on Mt. Jefferson. When it was taken down, canes were made of it. One of these was presented to the Judge, and another, given to Jackson, now resides in a Washington museum.

Let's have less tiger in the car and more human care.

Effects Of Corn Viruses May Be Reduced Through Earlier Planting

HARRISBURG — Early planting of corn may help reduce the danger of loss from Maize Dwarf Mosaic, a relatively new corn virus according to Henry F. Nixon, director of the Bureau of Plant Industry, State Agriculture Department. Speaking at the annual banquet of the Pennsylvania Crop Improvement Association Tuesday evening, Nixon said recent studies in Missouri indicate the effect of this virus is usually more severe in late planted fields. "Farmers should, therefore, be encouraged to plant early where Maize Dwarf Mosaic was present last year," he added.

1963. First evidence of its presence in Pennsylvania was found August 6, 1965, near Lock Haven, by Dr. Clifford C. Wernham, plant pathologist at Pennsylvania State University. By mid-October, Nixon added, it had been identified in 20 more counties of the state, including Lancaster.

In addition to Maize Dwarf Mosaic, two other viruses are of concern today, Nixon told members of the Association. He identified them as corn stunt virus and red stripe, the latter spread by a mite carrying wheat streak mosaic. The most serious losses he added apparently stem from a combination of Maize Dwarf Mosaic and red stripe.

Maize Dwarf Mosaic — or MDM as it is known — is transmitted by aphids from infected plants to healthy ones with Johnson grass serving as an intermediate host for the virus. There is no evidence, Nixon said, that MDM is seed borne.

Studies are underway, he told the group, to determine if native Pennsylvania grasses or fodder left in fields are capable of harboring the virus over winter. Research also is directed toward development of new corn varieties "that will show a high degree of resistance to MDM," Nixon concluded.

County Posts 14 Homemaking FHA Winners

HARRISBURG — A total of 199 Pennsylvania High School vocational homemaking girls — including 14 from Lancaster County — received the highest state award for excellence Wednesday from the State Future Homemakers of America here.

The awards were certificates granting the prized Future Homemaker degree. They were presented by FHA officers during the school girl organization's annual farm show meeting in the forum of the Educational Building.

The degree is awarded to FHA members who have attained outstanding records in activities for advancement of their local, state and national organizations during the past year.

- Local girls receiving degrees Wednesday were:
- Penn Manor High School — Rachel S. Breeman, Andrea Lou Emig, Shirley May Habecker, Naomi W. Metzler and Deborah Arlene Shank.
- Manheim Central Senior High School — Sue Ann Gibble and Dorothy G. Nolt.
- Hempfield Union High School — Carol Ann Hollinger, Martha Ann Nolt and Carol Lucille Peiter.

- Cocalico Senior High School — Janice Eileen Imhoff.
- Ephrata Union High School — Barbara Crouse Moore.
- Garden Spot High School, New Holland — Janice W. Musser.

Elizabethtown Area High School — Carolyn Marie Sands. Miss Imhoff is state parliamentarian of the state organization.

Kenneth M. Pfeiffer, assistant director of state vocational education, extended greetings to the more than 1,200 delegates from the FHA chapters.

The group now numbers 14,000 members in Pennsylvania.

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