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TOP COUNTY FFA PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE TEAM is from the Grassland Chapter. The team will meet York County parliamentarians next week for the area title. The members above are, left to right, seated: Mike Smucker, Galen Yoder, Kenneth Weber, Larry Burkhart, standing: Larry Groff, Douglas Houck, Clair Bowman, Richard Hersh, and Robert Esbenshade. L. F. Photo

Grassland FFA & Larry Herr Win Co. Procedure & Speaking Meet

Champs Continue Co. Parliamentary Rule

The Grassland Chapter of Future Farmers of America continued its domination of county competition in parliamentary procedures Tuesday night by topping teams from four other county schools. The meet held at Penn Manor High School is preliminary to the district and state meets. Grassland was the state champion in 1964 and runnerup in 1965, and are now making a bid for another district and state title this year.

Grassland and the runnerup county chapter, Solanco, will meet winners from York County next Thursday night at Penn Manor High School to decide the area title. The winner in that event will represent the district in Region II competition at Millersville. (Continued on Page 8)

Larry Herr Rated Best Individual Speaker

"A slow, deliberate, very sincere delivery, and a good stage voice" was the way public speaking judge John Myers described Larry Herr's winning performance in the county FFA public speaking contest held Tuesday night at Penn Manor High School.

Sixteen-year-old Herr, a sophomore at Lampeter-Strasburg High School, spoke on the farmer as a member of "The Exploited Occupation". It was his first performance as a public speaker. Larry is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl B. Herr who operate a beef cattle, poultry and corn farm on Penn Grant Road.

The runnerup speaking title went to Richard Thomas, Manor Chapter who spoke on "World Without Hunger", a topic dealing with the population explosion and the growing need for food.

Third place went to Merlin E. Snader, Grassland Chapter for his handling of the topic "The Peace Corps In Action". Fourth was Donald Hershey, Elizabethtown Chapter, who (Continued on Page 12)

Beef Club Leaders To Hold Planning Session

A meeting of district extension workers and 4-H beef club leaders will be held on April 26, at 8 p.m., to plan for the 1966 Southeast District 4-H Baby Beef Show and Sale, according to M. M. Smith, Lancaster County Agent.

The meeting, to be held in the Livestock Exchange Room at the Lancaster Stock Yards, will include representatives of the Livestock Exchange and the Union Stock Yards Co. Lester Burdette and Frank Bortz from Penn State will also be on hand to help the Dauphin, Chester, Northampton and Lancaster County leaders and workers plan for the annual big event, Smith said.

Soil Stewardship Week Plans Set At SWCD Meet.

The directors of the Lancaster County Soil and Water Conservation District announced plans at their regular monthly meeting Monday night at the Court House to observe Soil Stewardship Week, May 15-22.

The directors said they will have kits available for any minister in the county wanting church bulletins or material applicable for use in Rogation Sunday sermons. Anyone interested is advised to contact one of the directors.

As an aid in deciding what course long range conservation plans should follow in Lancaster County, the plans adapted by other counties were reviewed by the directors. (Continued on Page 9)

Outstanding 4-H'er, Eric Stoner, Plans Career In Agricultural Research

For one term next Fall there will be three Stoner brothers enrolled at Pennsylvania State University. The oldest will be approaching graduation in the field of agricultural engineering, the second oldest will be a senior in electrical engineering, and the youngest, Eric, will be beginning the long academic trail which he hopes will lead to a career in some phase of agricultural research.

Presently, Eric is an eighteen-year-old senior at Manheim Township High School. He lives with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Stoner, on the 106-acre family farm on Eden Road, Lancaster. The historic homestead dates from about 1781, Eric said, adding that a new highway may shortly cut through the Stoner acres, which already are nearly surrounded by new apartment and dwelling construction.

When Eric enrolls in the College of Agriculture, he will major in agronomy, feeling this to be the area of agriculture which holds the greatest interest for him. He became intrigued with the idea of a research career after visiting the laboratories, and talking with

researchers, at the new Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture building in Harrisburg. The tour of those facilities last year was part of the program involving outstanding 4-H youngsters representing their respective counties at the annual 4-H Capital Days.

An active 4-H member for the past eight years, Eric has held nearly every top office in both the Littitz-Manheim Club and the Wildlife Club. He is currently vice-president of the (Continued on Page 6)

Two County 4-H Members Will Attend Conf.

Two Lancaster County 4-H'ers, Gloria Heishey of New Holland, and Kenneth Rutt of Quarryville R2, have been selected to attend the two-day, State 4-H Capital Days program at Harrisburg on April 18 and 19.

Miss Heishey and Rutt, co-presidents of the 4-H County Council, will have the opportunity to further their (Continued on Page 12)

Farm Calendar

April 19 — 9:30 a.m., 2nd annual Governor's Agricultural Conference at Scottish Rites Cathedral, Harrisburg.

— 1:30 and 7:30 p.m., (duplicate meetings) First-year Home Economics Clothing Club Leaders at UGI meeting room, Conestoga St., Lancaster.

April 20 — 1:30 p.m., County FFA milk judging contest at Ephrata High School.

— 1:30 p.m., Area FFA land judging contest at Isaac Geib farm, Manheim.

April 21 — 8 a.m., Lancaster County Holstein Assn. tour. Buses leaves from Conestoga Transportation Co., E. Chestnut St., Lancaster.

— 9:30 a.m., Animal Health (Continued on Page 8)

Weather Forecast

Continuing below-normal temperatures can be expected for the next several days. Seasonal weather is promised for the weekend with cooler temperatures prevailing thereafter. Normal for this time of year would be temperatures averaging within a range of 63 to 40 degrees.

Little precipitation is expected with showers about Monday night or Tuesday yielding one-tenth inch, or less.



SURROUNDED BY HIS HANDIWORK Eric Stoner poses in front of the huge colonial fireplace in the family kitchen of the Stoner farmhouse. The gourds he is holding were fashioned into bird houses. On the mantle a small, stuffed woodchuck and a cock pheasant regard each other warily beneath Eric's home-made gun rack. L. F. Photo