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## Pullet Program Hearing Will Be Held May 10th

A public hearing for the adoption of a Pennsylvania Approved Pullet Growing Program will be held in Harrisburg on May 10th in Room 305 of the State Agricultural Building, 2301 North Cameron Street.

The Department of Agriculture proposes to make a state regulated program available to Pennsylvania growers on a voluntary basis.

An Approved Recorded pullet flock is defined by the Department as "a strain of birds grown as a unit in Department-approved brooding and growing quarters, following approved management practices, adhering to strict sanitation disease preventative practices and having Department verified records on management disease preventative controls and case history of flock".

The hearing is scheduled to begin at 1 p.m.



HERE'S WHERE THE PURIFIED WATER from the sewage treatment plant comes out to the mill pond, says James H. Runyon, engineer helper at Grace Mine. From the mill pond the water finds its way to Back Creek, then eventually to the Conestoga. L. F. Photo

## Area Plant Does Model Job Managing Water & Wastes

Much has been spoken and written lately of the enormous water management and stream pollution problems which confront our nation today, and which threaten to become major crises for our citizens tomorrow. One large plant in the area, in particular, has shown what industry can do in solving these problems at a local level.

The company derives its water from three main sources — Back Creek, Clarke Creek, and underground water from the mine itself.

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## New Crop & Livestock Annual Summary Cover Features County Girl

The Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service began distribution of its new annual crop and livestock summary this



Donna Hess

week. One item which will catch the eye of most Lancasterians is the attractive cover featuring Donna Hess, 13-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Hess, Jr. of Strasburg, Pa.

Donna and her 1966 Farm (Continued on Page 3)

## Buy-Your-Own-Steer Plan Subject Of Lively Debate At 4-H Beef Club

The question of whether the Red Rose 4-H Baby Beef Club should institute a plan allowing members to purchase their own steers as they see fit, or should retain the present method for distribution of club steers, stirred a lively debate Wednesday night in the member-parent-packed auditorium of the Rohrerstown Elementary School.

Speaking for changing the system Larry Weaver of New Holland, Pa., a past president of the Red Rose Club, presented two major points which his side felt warranted adopting the proposed system. One, those members who are unfortunate enough, under the present system, to draw "tail-enders" have to pay the same price as members who draw the best steers, two, good calves can be bought locally by individual members through the various auctions, making it unnecessary for the leaders to

travel long distances procuring club steers.

In rebuttal, Melvin Rohrer of Lititz, Pa., said that calves offered to club members are screened hard by the steer purchaser. (Continued on Page 5)

## 2 Farm Agencies Back McGovern's Sen. Resolution

Two farm agencies, one of them national, went on record this week in support of Senator George McGovern's resolution which was recently introduced into the U.S. Senate.

The National Farmers Union, which has been highly critical of recent Administration moves to roll back prices paid farmers, sent wires to members of the Senate urging prompt Congressional passage of the McGovern resolution. (Continued on Page 12)

## Final County Report Shows 629 Farmers In Diversion Program

According to final reports released this week by the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation County Committee, 629 Lancaster County farmers have signed up to take a total of 6140 acres out of crop production this year.

The acres will be diverted from the production of winter wheat and feed grains, and may be used for any type of cover but may not be cropped this year.

Diversion in the state totaled (Continued on Page 8)

## 35th Birthday Celebration For NEPPCO Set

Over forty federal legislators have already accepted an invitation to attend the 35th Birthday Reception of the Northeastern Poultry Producers Council in Washington on May 10th, according to Richard I. Ammon, NEPPCO's executive director.

Senator Hugh Scott, (R-Pa.), is hosting the affair in honor of his fellow Pennsylvanian and NEPPCO's president, Harry P. Metz of Belleville, Pa. The event is being held in conjunction with the NEPPCO's 35th anniversary. (Continued on Page 10)

## Farm Calendar

- May 9—8 p.m. Lancaster County SWCD directors meet at ASCS office, Manheim Pike, Lancaster.
- May 10—1 p.m. Public hearing on proposed Pa. Approved Pullet Growing Program at Room 305, Dept. of Agr. Building, Harrisburg.
- May 12—7:30 p.m. Lititz-Manheim 4-M Community Club at Fairland Elementary School.
- May 14—9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Pa. Flying Farmers "Fly-In Breakfast" at Kutztown Airport; public welcome.



INDUSTRIAL WASTES — TAILINGS — which are 25-30 percent solids at this stage, are shown being discharged into a holding basin after a three-mile trip by pipeline from the main plant. The tailings are fine stone residue from the milling and pelleting processes. L. F. Photo