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Master Farmer Award to County Conservationist

HARRISBURG — More than 200 Pennsylvanians were on hand at a luncheon here Tuesday honoring seven new Master Farmers.

Amos H. Funk, Millersville R1 vegetable farmer and outstanding conservationist, became the first Lancaster County to receive this distinguished award in 12 years.

Funk was introduced by Lancaster County agricultural agent M. M. Smith who gave a brief, illustrated talk on the accomplishments of the Funk family on their 240-acre farm.

Several pictures Smith showed illustrated the attractive market stand on the Funk farm, and the variety of products retailed there. "As an example," the county agent said, "the farm grows tomatoes during the winter in plastic greenhouses to provide out-of-season vegetables to its trade."

Using the Conestoga Creek which borders part of the Funk farm, Smith showed how

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MR. AND MRS. AMOS H. FUNK, of Millersville R1, are rightfully proud of Funk's newest title "Master Farmer." He was one of seven Pennsylvania farmers to receive the award at a luncheon in Harrisburg on Tuesday.

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Top Beef Titles Travel; 3 Breed Wins Keep County A Contender At Farm Show

by Don Timmons
HARRISBURG — So far as the top two titles in the 4-H Baby Beef exhibition at the Pennsylvania Farm Show were concerned, this proved not to be the year to put Lancaster County back on top. But we had 'em worried for awhile, and gained two more breed wins than last year's show netted.

The grand champion steer of the show was a heavyweight Angus shown by Ann Pleischel of Columbia County, and was the only Columbia County Angus entered. It was enough Judge Roland H. Mullnix of Woodbine, Maryland, then tapped the second place Angus for the reserve grand champion title. The latter was shown by Adams County 4-H'er Randy Bare of Hanover.

Lancaster's strength came from a sweep in the Short-

horn division and a reserve champion Hereford placing. Leading the Shorthorns was a heavyweight named "Ebenezzer" shown by Susie Hess, Mount Joy R1. The 16-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul C. Hess was in her first Farm Show beef competition.

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Management To Be Subject At Farm Meeting

At the second farm community meeting to be held at the Lincoln Independent School, near Martindale, the central subject to be discussed will be farm management, according to program chairman Edwin F. Fox.

Lancaster County associate

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E. J. Lawless Cited For Outstanding Efforts At State Poultry Banquet

HARRISBURG — Edward J. Lawless, Jr., who started his career with the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture in 1924 and has served the state's poultry industry continuously ever since, was named "Allied Industryman of the Year" Wednesday night at the annual Pennsylvania Poultry Federation banquet here.

A banquet crowd estimated at nearly 400 warmly applauded Lawless' citation which was awarded by a past president of the federation, Homer Bickler.

Lawless, who last October had received NEPPCO's "Poultryman of the Year" award, told the audience that "this is getting to be a very enjoyable habit". He suggested he would work extra hard in the next

few years, "and maybe I can earn another one of these" Lawless' contributions to the

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Victor W. Plastow

Victor Plastow Honored By Pa. Dairymen

HARRISBURG — Victor W. Plastow, associate agricultural agent from Lancaster County was named winner of the 1966 Pennsylvania Dairymen's Association Award of \$100 and an inscribed plaque at the Association's annual meeting at the 51st Farm Show here Tuesday night.

The award "for valuable and noteworthy contributions to the dairy industry in Pennsylvania"

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Biemesderfer To Speak At Leaders' Banquet

Dr. D. L. Biemesderfer, former president of Millersville State College, will be the featured speaker at this year's annual 4-H Leaders' Banquet, extension home economist Doris W. Thomas announced this week. The subject will be "Understanding Today's Youth".

The banquet meeting, which will be held January 23, at 6:30 p.m., at the Meadow Hills Dining Room on New Danville

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County Poultry Assn. Urges Lower Freight Rates; Sets Meeting Dates

At a recent meeting, directors of the Lancaster County Poultry Association went on record supporting the stand taken by the Pennsylvania Poultry Federation favoring a reduction of freight rates on feed grains.

The board stated that such a rate reduction would substantially help the state's leading poultry county to meet southern competition in its traditional eastern markets,

and would help reduce regional differences in egg and poultry production costs.

Meeting at the Lancaster Farm Credit Building, directors heard educational committee chairman J. Harold Esbenshade, Manheim R2, describe plans for a series of mid-winter informational meetings which will be open to all poultrymen in Lancaster County.

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Farm Calendar

January 16—7:30 p.m., Manheim Young Farmers' reorganization meeting at Manheim Central High School. There will also be parliamentary procedures and public speaking presentations.

January 17—Noon, Red Rose Dairy Herd Improvement Association annual banquet meeting, at Dutch Town & Country Inn, Vantage.

January 18—7:30 p.m., Farm Management community meeting at Lincoln Independent School, north of Martindale. Lew H. Brubaker, featured speaker.

January 19 — 7:30 p.m., Farm Income Tax course at Ephrata High School; subject: "Filing Requirements".



1967 OFFICERS IN THE LANCASTER COUNTY POULTRY ASSOCIATION were recently elected. From left they are, seated, John H. Hess, president; Claude H. Hess, vice president; standing, John R. Huber, Jr., secretary; and J. Harold Esbenshade, treasurer.

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