

● **Farm Calendar**

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7:30 p.m.—New Holland Young Farmer Income Tax Meet., School Ag. Room.

Wednesday, December 6

4-H Baby Beef Sale at Lancaster Stock Yards.

4:30 p.m.—Ag. teachers meet at E-Town High School.

Thursday, December 7

7:30 p.m.—Ephrata Young Farmers Meet (Designing the Feedlot) at School Ag. Rm.

8:00 p.m.—Lancaster County Poultry Assn. Directors meet at Farm Credit Building.

● **Farm Women**

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Their selection was announced at a meeting held Saturday at the home of Mrs. Anna Krall, Manheim R1, with Miss Elizabeth Workman, president, conducting the meeting.

In other business, plans were discussed for a bus trip to New York City on Dec. 20. A donation of \$50 was given to a local needy family. Society members also packed and distributed 35 fruit baskets.

Husbands will be guests at the next meeting which will be

a Christmas party to be held at the home of Mrs. Samuel Longenecker on Dec. 30.

SOCIETY 4

"Christmas Is You" was the theme of the demonstration-lecture presented to Society of Farm Women 4 by Mrs. C. Abram Snyder last week as 35 members and guests gathered at the farm of Mrs. Abram Sheaffer, Hershey Mill Rd. Devotions were led by Mrs. Victor Koser.

Two new members were initiated into the Society: Mrs. Robert Garber and Mrs. William Campbell.

Mrs. Richard King appointed the following committee chairmen: programs, Mrs. Cyrus Gamble; special activities, Mrs. Richard Wile; sunshine, Mrs. Carl Siegrist; membership, Mrs. Daniel Will; song leader, Mrs. Wilson Mohler; pianist, Mrs. Paul Metzger; reporter, Mrs. John Gingrich.

Officers retained for another year are Mrs. King, president.

Manure Beats Nitrogen In Corn-Growing Test

Manure spread on test plots grew more corn than elemental nitrogen, according to two University of Vermont researchers. And no one was more surprised than Jerry McIntosh and Ken Varner, the researchers who did it.

They grew their corn in Addison County on rich, heavy clay soil.

Their tests were designed in part to see if heavy manure applications would enable this soil to support corn year after year.

While it is a fertile soil, say the researchers, it breaks down and becomes hard and structureless with intensive tillage. Corn can be grown, but not continuously.

Their experimental land was divided into plots which were fertilized, except for nitrogen, according to soil tests. Manure was applied to each plot at 0, 10, 20 or 30 tons per acre. At each manure level, nitrogen was applied at 0, 50, 100, 150 or 200 pounds per acre. Plots with no manure or nitrogen served as controls.

Surprisingly, plants grown with high N/no manure had the same corn and silage yields as control plots, but appeared stunted when compared to corn grown with low N/no manure.

The first year, the plants on manure plots were visibly healthier, almost from the time of germination. Manure not only grew better plants, it also offset the detrimental effects of too much nitrogen. And the more manure they used, the more corn they grew.

The year of the first test was very dry and the researchers felt manure's benefits were due mainly to its mulching effect, helping to hold what moisture there was.

They didn't expect the marked differences to occur in a year with adequate rainfall. But the pair were surprised again. The next year, an ideal corn season, response to manure was even more striking than it had been the year before.

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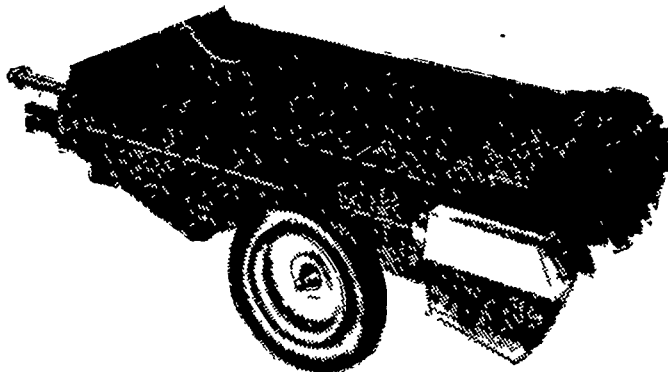
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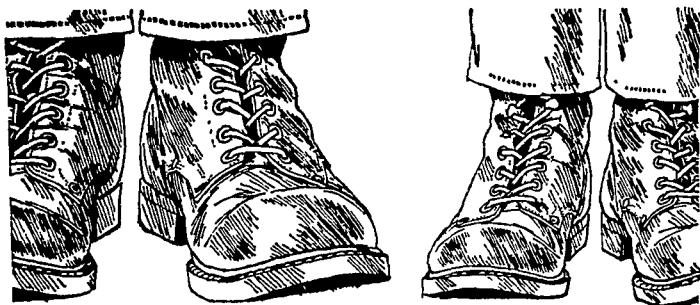
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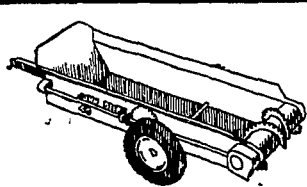
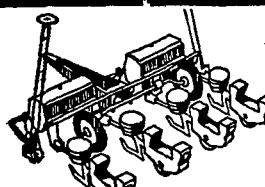
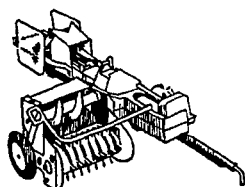
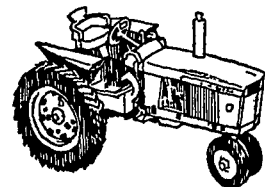
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