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Hertzler Cow Champion At Chicago Show

Conewago Reflection Trudy, a four-year-old Holstein owned by Conewago Farms, 2623 North Market Street, Elizabethtown, won Senior and Grand Championship honors in the female Holstein division of the Chicago International Dairy Show, November 24.

Carl Hertzler, co-owner of the local farm, which borders Lancaster County, said it was the first time a Pennsylvania cow ever won the grand championship at the nationally known show.

With a rating of 'excellent-92,' the animal was also nominated for All-America four-year-old 1967.

Previously, the cow had won the reserve All-Pennsylvania three-year-old heifer competition in 1966, and fourth place in a three-and four-year-old dry cow contest in a 1966 Pennsylvania All-American show.

She placed first in the three-and four-year-old dry cow class and won the reserve senior and reserve grand championship for a Pennsylvania cow in the state Black and White contest in 1966 also.

Conewago Farms is operated by Warren Hertzler and his son, Carl Hertzler.

County Heifer Places

Also taking Chicago International Dairy Show honors was Penn prings Bill Topper, shown by Susan Ann Kauffman, Elizabethtown R. D. 1.

The animal won second place in the junior yearling heifer competition, and was nominated for All-American in the junior class for 1967.

Garden Spot H. S. Plans Welding Course

An evening arc welding school for farmers and other interested persons will begin Thursday evening, January 11, at 7:00 at the Garden Spot High School Vocational Agriculture Dept. The school will be conducted one night a week for five consecutive Thursday nights. It is designed for beginners and others interested in improving their welding skills.

Donald Robinson, Vocational (Continued on Page 6)

Farm Calendar

Tuesday, December 26

Winter Small Game Season Opens

Thursday, December 28

7:30 p.m. — Ephrata Young Farmers Tax meeting, school Ag room.

Friday, December 29

1:30 p.m. — Judging 4-H Tobacco and Corn Exhibit, Bayuk Cigar Company, 850 North Water St.



SUPPER FOR TUTTIE. Nine-year-old Debra Landis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Landis, 1312 Shreiner Rd., Lancaster, feeds her 80 pound calf

that is a project in the 1968 4-H Veal Production Club that started this week. Debra is the youngest member of the club. L. F. Photo

New Potato Variety Found Superior For Food Processing

The availability of a new potato variety especially bred to meet the needs of both growers and food processors has just been announced by the U S Department of Agriculture in conjunction with the Pennsylvania Agricultural Experiment Station.

The new potato, as tested by the Wise Potato Chip Company of Berwick, Pa. has been found to have especially high specific gravity and excellent chipping qualities. Cooperative research by Wise, which helped to develop the new variety, and Penn State University, has established that it has a combination of qualities seldom found in one potato.

"One of the most desirable properties of this new potato," says James Watts, Wise's company horticulturist, "is its ability to process into light colored chips under a wide range of conditions, including storage at 50 to 55 degrees Fahrenheit. In addition, it requires less storage and reconditioning after harvest. We like the fact that the shape is round to oblong. This, and the white skin and shallow eyes, makes these tubers particularly suitable for the manufacture of an even grade of potato chips."

The new potato has been named Lenape after the Lenni-Lenape tribe of the Delaware Indians who once lived in Pennsylvania. Main growing characteristics include medium-late maturity, medium resistance to Verticillium wilt, and good re-

sistance to late blight, tuber symptoms caused by stem-end browning, net necrosis following leafroll infection, and mild mosaic

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Winter Small Game; Archery Season Open December 26

Small game and bow hunters get their final chance to be affield during the eleven-day seasons starting December 26

Squirrels, grouse and rabbits will be "in season" starting the day after Christmas and ending Saturday, January 6. Archers will also get their final crack at deer of either sex during the same period.

The season for snowshoe rabbits (varying hares) also opens on December 26, but the season for this species ends on Jan. 1.

Daily bag limits in effect during the regular seasons will apply during the late seasons. Harvests of small game during the regular seasons are included in the total limits for all seasons. For small game the daily and season limits follow: squirrels, 6 daily and 30 per season; ruffed grouse, 2 daily and 10 per season; cottontail rabbits, 4 daily and 20 per season; hares (snowshoe rabbits), 2 daily and 6 per season.

Only one deer may be taken by a hunter during each license year. A bowman must possess (Continued on Page 6)

Veal Calf Club Starts Second Year

A fairly new 4-H club was started this week in Lancaster County. Known as the 1968 4-H Veal Production Club, it was formed last year with seven members and has increased to 17 members this year.

The club is designed to run about ten weeks, and the rules for raising the calves are very strict. The reason for this is, according to Victor Plastow, Associate Agricultural Agent, that even if the calf only eats a little bit of shavings from the pen or licks a water pipe, etc., the veal meat may be discolored.

So the calves must be kept on a raised slatted stall with no bedding. They must be fed a high fat all milk-product replacer.

The members were to obtain a calf born between Dec. 10 and 20.

A roundup will be held the latter part of February at New

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Plastow Lists Reason For Low Milk Output

Victor Plastow, Associate Agricultural Agent, recently discussed some of the reasons for a fall milk production slump being experienced in many Lancaster County dairy herds. "Some dairymen depended too heavily on pastures in late summer and fall," he said. "In addition hay quality is considerably lower and the forage supply has resulted in reduced levels of grain feeding and a tendency to be more lenient in culling low producers and problem cows."

In a letter addressed to dairymen, Plastow said:

"Fall forage generally does not come up to expectations based on its fineness and high protein content. Forages tested to date suggest that the T.D.N. content of hay may be as much

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Animal Nutritionist Discusses Dairymen's Filled Milk Problem

An animal nutritionist started his dairy seminar Tuesday afternoon by warning farmers about the serious threat of filled milk to the dairymen.

Dr. K. L. Dolge, Animal Nutritionist for Agway, told a group of 75 farmers and cooperative representatives, at the Blue Ball Fire Hall. "I doubt if you know how serious this can be."

Dolge said the bad part about it is that the filled milk product can be manufactured for \$3.16 per hundredweight, and can sell to the store for 29 cents a half-gallon. "The store's suggested retail price is 39 cents a half-gallon," he said. "The store makes more on it than milk."

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Season's Greetings

...from all of us on the Lancaster Farming staff to each of you, our readers. Do have a nice Christmas.