



### LEXINGTON-HILLTOP STITCHERS

On July 2, the Lexington Hilltop Stitchers 4-H Club met at the Brunnerville Fire Hall for a work meeting.

The meeting was brought to order by Nancy Bear, president, and the 4-H pledge was repeated.

The secretary's and treasurer's reports were read and approved.

Cardboard was passed out to the people who are going to make posters for their bake sale, which is to be held on Sat-

urday, July 13th at Stauffer's of Kissel Hill.

Cindy Eberly and Amy Spangler were chosen to participate in County Demonstration Day on the 9th. of July.

It was also decided that the club will tour the Cloisters on July 18.

The members then divided into their work groups until 9 p.m.

### AYRSHIRE, JERSEY, BROWN SWISS

The fifth meeting of the Ayrshire, Jersey, Brown Swiss Club was held at the farm of William Arrowsmith, Peach Bottom. A swimming party was held.

County Roundup for all dairy clubs will be July 29 and 30, 1968 with the Ayrshire, Jersey, Brown Swiss and Guernsey showing the 29th and the Holstein showing the 30th.

The Ayrshire, Jersey and Brown Swiss club has charge of the joint meeting. It is at the Farm and Home Building on August 19 at 8:00 p.m.

### DRUMORE SEWING

The Drumore 4-H Sewing Club held its weekly meeting recently at the Chestnut Level Church House. Nineteen members attended the meeting.

Candidates for the 4-H Queen Contest which will be held Aug-

ust 15, 1968 were chosen. The contestants are as follows: Junior queen - Carol Culter; alternate - Janis Rohrer; Senior queen - Sue Boohor; alternate - Mary Douts.

The next meeting of the Drumore 4-H Sewing Club will be held July 16, 1968 at 7:00 p.m. in the Church House Building.

### KOOKIE KOOKS

The weekly meeting of the Penn Manor Kookie Kooks was held July 10th at the Penn Manor Junior High School. It was decided to have roundup on August 1st in the evening. The place will be announced later.

After the business meeting was adjourned the first year girls made Ting-a-lings, 4-H Tidbits and a beverage. The second year girls made biscuits.

The next meeting will be held at 11:30 A.M., Wednesday, July 17 at the Penn Manor Junior High School.

### CLASHING THIMBLES

The meeting of the 4-H Clashing Thimbles Sewing Club was held recently at the Penn Manor Junior High School. Ellyce Jean Engle was elected Senior Queen and Stephame Herr was elected Junior Queen.

A demonstration was given by Miss Engle and Mrs. Lota Porter on "Hair Care".

## Potential Promising For More Beef Cattle

About 75 percent of the beef eaten in Pennsylvania is shipped in from other states — one indication of the potential for increased beef cattle production in the Commonwealth, stated Lowell L. Wilson of the department of animal science at The Pennsylvania State University during a conference held recently in Syracuse, N.Y.

Dr. Wilson said the amount of pasture land available for grazing beef cattle is increasing in Pennsylvania and New York. For one thing, the number of dairy cows and dairy farms in these states has declined within the past 10 years. Also, many dairy herds are using higher amounts of grains and less forages than used previously. He addressed a Livestock Research Conference sponsored by Agway, Inc.

He indicated there are several million acres in Pennsylvania and New York that are suitable for forage production but which may erode and deteriorate if used for intensive grain production.

"When pastures are not needed for dairy cattle, there is a good chance that such pastures will be allowed to revert to weeds and brush with the farmer's investment in land improve-

ment practically lost. If such pastures are used for beef cattle, high levels of forage production and land values can usually be maintained easily," he stated.

As advantages of the commercial beef cow-calf enterprise, Dr. Wilson listed low costs of buildings, equipment, and labor. And he included safety of investment, low death incidence, and excellent availability of markets for cattle at weaning or slaughter. A beef cow, in most cases, is the only farm animal that can also utilize low-quality forages, such as corn stalks and weathered hay, available on most farms.

The main disadvantage of beef cattle compared to other enterprises is the relatively low return per unit of investment. He affirmed, however, that a beef cattle operation can be profitable if properly managed and if the results of recent research are applied.

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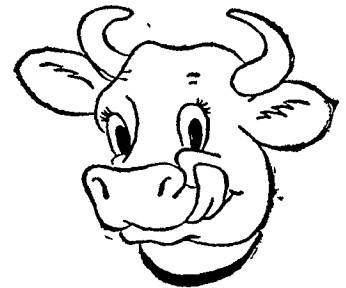


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