



For the past several weeks two Pequea Valley High School FFA members have had a very interesting exhibit in the high school showcase. Pictured is James Jones and Marvin Caskey along with the FFA sweetheart, Miss Judy Martin. They are holding a great horned owl which was

stuffed by Marvin. Taxidermy is the hobby of these two FFA members. Included in the exhibit are squirrels, crows, foxes, hawks and rabbits that the two boys have preserved. Marvin has graduated from a correspondence course in taxidermy and hopes to make a living in this field.

Milk Sales Continue To Climb

"The consumption of fluid milk in the New York-New Jersey market is spiraling upward, as for the third straight month the volume of Class I fluid milk sales showed an increase which amounted to 7.38% for the month of September over the same month last year," said Robert S. Turner, Horsesheads, president of the American Dairy Association and Dairy Council of New York.

In making the announcement Mr. Turner said "However, even more important is the fact that we had a 4.6% increase in milk sales for the month of September as compared to this past August. The past five years (1963-1967) show an average increase of 2.9% in milk sales comparing September to August. This puts sales 1.7% above the five year average and shows very vividly that our expanded milk promotion programs are definitely helping to encourage greater fluid milk sales. This increase came about in spite of the fact that the New York City schools were closed 13 number of days this past month resulting in a loss of more than seven million cartons of milk."

In conclusion, Turner said "While the spirit of optimism prevails in the Dairy Industry we must now look to even further horizons so that this upward trend will continue in the months and years ahead. This can only be accomplished through the continued spirit of unity that prevails among the Dairy Industry leaders as they work with ADA & DC to further develop producer investment in milk promotion."

State Farm Show

The 1969 Pennsylvania State Farm Show will be held at Harrisburg on January 13 to 17. Premium Lists are out and all exhibitors are urged to obtain a copy of this booklet and follow suggestions. Entry blanks are also available for all classes and entry deadlines vary according to departments. Livestock exhibitors are reminded of the November 9 deadline for entering livestock. All exhibitors are urged to study the rules and regulations and follow them closely in order to be eligible.

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Swine Have Definite Own Social Order

Swine — much like humans — have a definite social order with each group having a boss and one at the bottom of the order, according to a new "Swine Management Handbook" published by the College of Agriculture of The Pennsylvania State University.

"Whenever groups of pigs are mixed, the social order is upset and fighting usually results," said Lester A. Burdette, Extension livestock specialist, one of the publication's authors. "This will continue until the two groups are integrated into a new social order and each pig knows whom he can or cannot dominate. Pigs that are not moved to new surroundings at frequent intervals make faster gains and require less feed."

Information on swine beha-

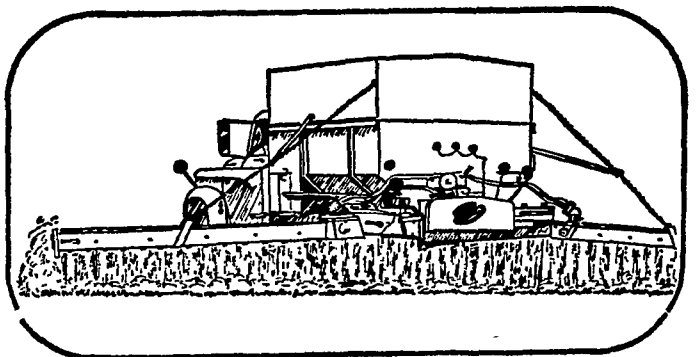
avior, the Penn State specialist emphasized, is taken into account in the design of building layouts and management systems that today's hog producer needs to operate his business efficiently and profitably.

The "Swine Management Handbook," which contains information on all phases of swine production and marketing, is available for \$2.00 plus Pennsylvania sales tax by writing to Publications, Box 6000, University Park, Pa. 16802.

This handbook is designed to be of use to both the commercial hog producer and the general farmer who includes hogs among his other enterprises. It is the first of several handbooks being prepared by Penn State College of Agriculture faculty members that deal with modern agriculture.

Sections included in the paperback volume are planning the swine enterprise, costs and returns, housing and equipment.

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