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PAUL ECKMAN poses with one of his many FFA projects. Beside this pen of sheep, he has projects in swine, dairy,

corn, tobacco and has planted 1000 pine trees on his Strasburg R1 home farm. L. F. Photo

New County FFA President Has Project Diversity

Whether it be sheep swine, dairy, corn, tobacco or pine trees, the new Lancaster County FFA Chapter president has already had project experience. And added to his diversity is his work experience at a local green house

Paul Eckman, 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Eckman, Strasburg R1, says, "I think agriculture is a great business. I think I will remain in production agriculture after school — that is if 'Uncle Sam' doesn't get me first."

Herr Named Co-Chairman Of F & H Campaign

John H. Herr, 1564 Millport Road, has been named co-chairman of the Farm & Home Foundation's Completion Fund Campaign, according to B. Snavely Garber, president of the Foundation board of directors. Herr is a member of the original group of agricultural leaders responsible for establishing the new Center on Arcadia Road, and will serve with L. H. Skromme in heading the \$150,000 capital funds appeal.

The Lampeter Strasburg Junior has many accomplishments to his credit. He won the Guernsey Calf at the Lampeter Fair in 1967 (Cherrycrest Hugo Ebbie, now a bred heifer) and had the champion ewe and was named the best fitter in the sheep show. He won the Chapter Sears Gift in 9th grade and was top Junior High Magazine Salesman.

For all this, though, Paul gives credit to his parents. "For all these projects and all the possessions I have accumulated — credit goes to my parents. If it weren't for them, I wouldn't have these projects," he said.

Herr is playing a key role in the drive, both as chairman of the Campaign Steering Committee and as a leader in the Farm Gifts Division. In the latter unit

An interesting project Paul undertook that became a family affair was planting 1000 pine trees on some unfarmable land on their farm, south of Strasburg. He learned about the program through a Science teacher. The trees are supplied at a nominal cost for those who will

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Mystery Farm Contest

The Mystery Farm Contest continues this week in Lancaster Farming with the sixth in the series of eight County farm photographs to be published weekly for you to identify. The paid subscriber who wins first prize will receive a personal

check for \$100 and second and third placed winners will be awarded \$50 and \$25 checks, respectively.

Here's how it works: An enlarged photograph of a Lancaster County Farm from a different area each week is published. The general direction from Lancaster is given and from there it's up to you.

Study the picture each week. Guess which of your neighbor's farm is pictured. Put your identification (the name on the mail box and his address) along with your own name and address on a 5-cent postal card or in a letter and mail it each week so we receive it by Friday morning fol-

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Donald Ranck Elected VP Of Alpha Tau Alpha

Donald L. Ranck, formerly of Route 1, Paradise, was recently elected vice president of Alpha Tau Alpha, the Agricultural Education professional and honorary fraternity at the Pennsylvania State University.

Ranck, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd H. Ranck, was active in the Pequea Valley FFA and church activities. He attended Millersville State College before transferring to Penn State last spring. He is married to the former Virginia Wivell from

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4-H Corn & Tobacco Exhibit Set Dec. 27

The 4-H Tobacco and Corn Exhibit will be held on Friday afternoon, Dec. 27, at the Farm and Home Center, 1383 Arcadia Road, Lancaster, according to Arnold Luech and Jay Irwin, Lancaster County Associate Agents.

For the Corn exhibit members will show 10 ears from their project and report all yields of corn in bushels of shelled corn.

The Tobacco competition will consist of a completed record book and exhibit of two hands of tobacco consisting of 15 leaves tied with another leaf. One hand will be Wrapper B's and the other Filler B's.

Record book must be in the Extension Office no later than Monday, Dec. 23, the Agents said.

Farm Calendar

Saturday, Dec. 21 (today)
 9 a.m.—4-H Angus & Shorthorn Beef Calves distributed from New Holland Sales Barn

Wednesday, Dec. 25
 CHRISTMAS DAY

Friday, Dec. 27
 1:30 p.m.—4-H Tobacco & Corn Exhibit, Farm & Home Ctr.

Greetings



The meaning of the first Christmas Eve lights up the holiday with Peace and Good Will. Best Wishes!

THE LANCASTER FARMING STAFF

