



OFFICERS OF ALPHA OMICRON CHAPTER OF EPSILON SIGMA PHI, national honorary Extension fraternity, for 1969 are, from left: W. W. Clarke, Extension entomologist at The Pennsylvania State University, secretary-treasurer;

Mrs. Rachel W. Hoffmeier, Carbon County Extension home economist, president, and M. M. Smith, Lancaster County agricultural agent, vice president. Elections were held at the chapter's recent annual meeting on the Penn State campus.

Diseases Enter Poultry Flock By Three Methods

University Park, Pa — Diseases — probably the cause of most concern in the poultry business — may originate in a flock in three different ways, according to the new "Poultry Handbook," published by The Pennsylvania State University College of Agriculture

"Diseases are brought on the farm with new poultry, contamination as a result of carry-over from previous flocks, and are introduced by a lack of sanitation or relaxation of security measures," said Dr. L. Dwight Schwartz, Penn State Extension veterinarian, one of the publication's authors

Poultry house sanitation requires that you begin each flock with clean, disease-free quarters, Dr. Schwartz points out. Each housing area should be rested a minimum of two weeks after it is disinfected and fumigated before the new poultry are moved in.

The "Poultry Handbook," which contains the most up-to-date poultry health information found anywhere in the United States, may be purchased for \$1.50 plus 6 percent Pennsylvania sales tax. Make check or money order payable to The Pennsylvania State University and send with your name and address to POULTRY HANDBOOK, Box 6000, University Park, Pa 16802

The volume also contains sections on incubation, brooding, pullet rearing, table egg production, engineering, business management, marketing and processing, and broiler and turkey production

This handbook is designed to be of use to the commercial poultryman as well as the general farmer who includes poultry among his other enterprises

Complete Records Service Offered

Income tax returns, which are processed by computers for the Internal Revenue Service, simplifies the problem of checking more returns for completeness and accuracy. The end result is that taxpayers will need more up-to-date records and farmers will be no exception.

The Cooperative Extension Service of The Pennsylvania State University has developed a computer farm records program which is designed to help farmers keep more complete records, says Associate County Agent, Jay W. Irwin. He points out this new service is available to all area farmers.

The depreciation program, he said, is designed so that the computer does all computations and prints out a complete schedule ready to mail with your tax return. The computer has found many errors in present depreciation schedules that favor the taxpayer. Errors of arithmetic are very common with many taxpayers losing depreciation.

The program is also designed so that investment tax credit is taken on all allowable items. This is worth a \$210 tax saving on a \$3,000 purchase.

Contact the Agricultural Extension Service, 1383 Arcadia Road, Lancaster, for more details on this program.

Farm And Home Foundation To Hold Ed Meets

The Lancaster County Farm and Home Foundation announced a series of three educational meetings for the citizens of the county this week. These meetings will be in the form of a panel discussion presentation and will be open to the general public free of charge.

All three meetings will be held in the auditorium of the Farm and Home Center, 1383

Arcadia Road, Lancaster, Pennsylvania (Turn east from the Manheim Pike on Service Road, just north of Jones Pontiac Company). Starting time will be 7:30 p.m. for each meeting. The dates and speakers are as follows:

Thursday evening, Jan. 23:
Topic: "LAW ENFORCEMENT AND THE PUBLIC"

Speakers: David M. Rineer, Chief, Lancaster City Police Department; Clarence C. Newcomer, Lancaster District Attorney; John W. Beyer, Lancaster Bar Association.

Thursday evening, Feb. 27:

Topic: "PARENT-CHILD RELATIONS"

Speakers: Dr. William M. Smith, Pennsylvania State University; Dr. Paul Z. Rummel, Millersville State College; Rev. A. J. Simmons, Bethel Methodist Church; Dr. Richard Canfield, Phil-Haven Hospital, Mount Gretna

Thursday evening, March 13:
Topic: "LANCASTER COUNTY — 1985"

Speakers: Dr. Robert F. Eshelman, Franklin & Marshall College; Edward Daniels, County Planning Commission; William M. Carroll, Pennsylvania State University.

NEXT WEEK!

**MYSTERY FARM
CONTEST WINNERS
WILL BE ANNOUNCED!**