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A SPECIAL CELERY GROWERS MEETING was held Monday afternoon at the Jay Hodecker Celery Farm, East Petersburg. Forty persons attended. In the Lancaster Farming Photo are: (left to right), Chester Ellenberger, Ag Agronomy

Department, Penn State, Ernie Bergman, Associate Professor of Plant Nutrition, Penn State, William Dean, Strasburg R1, Hodecker, D. J. Steslow, Pa. Department of Agriculture and Roy Eisenberger, Strasburg R1.

Seven Million Nickels Go For Profit Program

Over seven million market hogs took part in the Nickels For Profit program of the National Pork Producers Council during 1968 according to Mark F. Nestleroth, Publicity Chairman, Pa. Pork Producers Council. Figures from the certified accounting firm working the Pork Council account show that 7,316,317 market hogs from 26,500 producers contributed \$314,053.89 during the first year of the nationwide voluntary program.

Through a memorandum of agreement, the National Livestock and Meat Board received one cent of each nickel contributed.

\$107,996 have been returned to membership states to assist in state programs and membership growth.

\$184,657, retained by the National Pork Producers Council, have either been used or are earmarked for programs of market promotion and development, compiling production research and recommendations for producers, and trichinosis study.

The entire program of the National Pork Producers Council has been formulated by the pork producers through polls taken the past three years.

During the month of December 4261 market hogs were checked off in Pennsylvania, giving a total of 54,980 hogs deducted for the first year in the Nickels For Profit program.

Extension Annual Meeting Set For Tuesday, Feb. 11

The annual meeting of the Lancaster Co. Agricultural and Home Economics Extension Association has been set for Tuesday evening, February 11, at 6:30 p.m., in the auditorium of the Farm and Home Center, 1383 Arcadia Road, Lancaster, Pa.

Advance reservations are needed for the dinner by Monday, Feb. 10, and tickets may be obtained from any member of the Extension Board of Directors, or from the Extension Office in the Farm and Home Center.

The guest speaker for this meeting will be State Representative, Marvin E. Miller, who will discuss "Views on Today's Changing Society". The report from the Extension staff will be given in a condensed form by two of the County Extension workers.

The officers of the Extension Association will conduct a brief business meeting, including the election of five directors for a three-year term.

Farm Calendar

Monday, Feb. 10

10-12 Vegetable Conference, Penn State.

10-12 State Horticulture Assn. Fruit Meetings, Hotel Yorktowne, York.

7:30 p.m. — Manheim Young Farmer meet, (corn production), Vo-Ag Room.

Tuesday, Feb. 11

6:30 p.m. — Lancaster County Extension Assn. Annual Banquet and Meeting, Farm and Home Center.

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County FFA Record Book Entries Scored

The record books of all Lancaster County FFA Students were evaluated by the local Agriculture teachers Tuesday night, with the top winners receiving gold, silver and bronze awards. County winners are eligible for state competition. The winners and their schools and placings are as follows:

2 Enterprise, Gary Neff, Penn Manor, Gold; Lowell Sensenig, Ephrata, David Brandt, Manheim, Paul Clark, Pequea Valley, Burnel Buchen, Manheim, Dale Nolt, Manheim, and Vernon Yost, Pequea Valley, all Silver; Nelson Wenger, Manheim, Daniel Brandt, Manheim, Lester Bowman, New Holland, and Larry Horst, New Holland, all Bronze.

3 Enterprise, Clair Esbenschade, Lamp-Stras, Gold, Marlin Glids, Solanco, Nelson Weaver, New Holland, and Clair Overholtzer, E-Town, all Silver; Merlin Snader, New Holland, and Jeffrey Pfautz, Ephrata, both Bronze.

4 Enterprise, Scott Kreider, Tom Aaron, and Dave Groff, all from Solanco, Silver; and Dan Ressler, Penn Manor, Bronze.

5 Enterprise, Charles Smith, Solanco, Gold; Dale Bollinger, and Lloyd Welk, Solanco, both Silver; LeRoy Welk, Solanco, Wilmer Groff, Manheim, and Charles Hess, Penn Manor, Bronze.

6 Enterprise, Gerald Wolfe, Manheim, and Earl Stauffer, Ephrata, both Gold, and Eugene Bollinger, Ephrata, Silver.

7 Enterprise, Edward Donough, Manheim, Silver.

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Discussion Of Diagnostic Poultry Lab To Be Held With State Ag Secretary

Homer Bicksler, Pa. Poultry Federation, told a group of local Poultrymen and Industry leaders, Wednesday night, that a meeting of those responsible and Leland Bull, Pa. Agricultural Secretary, is set for Feb. 13 concerning the Poultry Diagnostic Laboratory sought for Lancaster County.

"What results will come from this meeting is anyone's guess," Bicksler said. "It will depend on the Secretary. And it will

likely depend on whether or not he can get the money."

The announcement came as a featured part of the first in a series of Three Poultry Educational meetings held in the Farm and Home Center.

Bicksler spoke on behalf of the Project saying he personally didn't think Poultrymen should feel bad to ask for the money to establish the Laboratory. "A lot of other money is spent where the consumers don't benefit as much," he said.

There was some disagreeing opinion, however. Dr. Wilson Miller, Rohrerstown poultry veterinarian, listed figures on the blackboard showing approximate costs to staff a laboratory: \$14,000, veterinarian; \$4,000, secretary; \$6,000 technician; and \$3,000 part-time janitor, making a total of \$27,000.

"This amount would just keep the place going," he said. "What I'm saying is that I don't want socialized medicine. I just want to see free enterprise around here."

Other questions raised from the group included: "Why if the number of cases serviced by the existing Labs have decreased are we seeking a new lab," and "Why when we don't want more taxes are we adding to them?"

Following the meeting, individuals were discussing the

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Cattle Feeder Meetings Set

A series of three meetings for cattle feeders in this area were announced this week by M. M. Smith, Lancaster County Agent. Each meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. and will be held in the Extension Meeting Room in the basement of the Farm and Home Center. The dates, speakers and topics are as follows:

Friday, Feb. 14 — "Cattle and Grain Outlook", Louis Moore, Extension Economist; "Results of Cattle Feeding Research", Lester Burdette, Livestock Specialist.

Friday, Feb. 21 — "Labor-Saving Systems", Lester Burdette, Livestock Specialist; "Reducing Cattle Infections", Dr. Samuel Guss, Extension Veterinarian.

Friday, Feb. 28 — "Corn Silage and Hi-Moisture Corn", John Baylor, Agronomy Extension Specialist; "Making and Handling Hi-Moisture Corn", Roger Grout, Extension Engineer.

"Changes are taking place in the livestock industry," Smith said, "and we hope that you will be able to attend all of these meetings to get useful information." A discussion period will follow each presentation.



Larry Herr

Second place winner in beef club record book work went to Michael Longenecker, Lititz R2 with a score of 99 points. Michael also received a trophy from Eby's Mill.

In the Lamb Club, Linda Ober, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ober, 532 Petersburg Road, Lancaster was first in record book work with 98 points, and Ted Bushong was second with 96.6 points. Both winners received trophies from Miller and Bushong, Rohrerstown.

Other winners announced are: BEEF CLUB, County Champion at the Farm Show, Marlin Bollinger, trophy by J. C. Snavely, Landisville, and a gold watch from New Holland Division of

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