

Earth Science- Gem Show May 3 - 4

The Mineralogical Society of Pennsylvania will present an Earth Science and Gem Show near Lancaster, Pennsylvania on Saturday, May 3rd and Sunday, May 4th. The show will consist of exhibits of minerals and fossils by Society members and guests, many of whom have won state, regional, and national acclaim.

There will also be about fifteen dealers who will sell minerals, cut or polished stones, prospecting and lapidary equipment; almost continuous lectures on both days on subjects from fluorescent mineral collecting to cave exploring and conservation.

Continuous lecture-displays will be offered in lapidary (gem polishing); micromounting (collection of specimens smaller than one-half inch); and cave

exploration, conservation, and safety techniques by the National Speleological Society. There will be continuous swapping (NO SELLING ALLOWED) in an area outside the exhibition building.

A wealth of knowledge on gems, minerals, and other aspects of mineralogy, fossil collecting, and earth science of all ages will be on display or special interest to students of being talked about at this show.

A number of Pennsylvania colleges and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania will be represented in lecture and special exhibits.

As a special incentive to students of junior and senior high school age, Boy and Girl Scouts, IN UNIFORM, will be admitted free of charge. The modest fee of 50c for adults (persons over high school age) and 25c for children (in high school or younger) will be charged for all others.

The show will be opened on Saturday, May 3rd at 1 00 P M

by Dr. H. Beecher Charnbury, Pennsylvania Secretary of Mines and Mineral Industries, and will be open until 10 00 P.M. that night; it will re-open at 10 00 A.M. on Sunday and run until 6 00 P.M. that evening. It will be held at the Pennsylvania Guernsey Association Pavilion about five miles east of Lancaster, Pennsylvania, on Route 30. Ample parking is available at no cost and there are many motels and restaurants in the immediate area. A refreshment stand is located within the building.

Chairman for the M.S.P. Show held every other year is Mrs. James Stauffer of Oregon Road, Lititz. Mr. Stauffer is past president of the society which numbers over 400 members and has been chairman for the second time this year. He is also a prime exhibitor at the show. He teaches at the Manheim Township Senior High School in Neffsville, and is very active in all earth science work in the area.

Lancaster Farming, Saturday, May 3, 1969--7

● Pa. Red Meat

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pounds compared with 97 in March 1968.

tion of red meat in the 48 states totaled 2,889 million pounds in March, up 4 percent from a year earlier. Commercial meat production includes slaughter in federally inspected and other slaughter plants, but excludes animals slaughtered on farms.

Beef production in March was 1,659 million pounds, up 2 percent from a year earlier. The number of cattle slaughtered was up 4 percent but average live weight was down 13 pounds from March 1968.

There were 53 million pounds of veal produced in March, the same as in February, but 7 percent below a year earlier. Calves slaughtered numbered 6 percent fewer than a year earlier while live weight per head was 213 pounds, up 2 pounds from 1968.

Pork production in March totaled 1,132 million pounds, up 7 percent from a year earlier. The hog kill was 7,534,500, up 6 percent from March 1968. Live weight per head at 233 pounds was a pound lighter than a year earlier. Lard rendered per 100 pounds of live weight was 91

There were 45 million pounds of lamb and mutton produced in March, 2 percent less than a year earlier. Sheep and lambs slaughtered totaled 863,800, down 2 percent. Average live weight was 106, 1 pound heavier than in 1968.

U. S. stocks of meat on April 1 totaled 615 million pounds, 14 million more than a month earlier but 3 million below a year ago. Beef stocks totaled 273 million pounds, 2 million above March 1 and 48 million more than a year ago. Total pork holdings of 271 million on April 1 were 7 million above last month but 35 million below a year ago. Frozen pork bellies were 76 million pounds, up 20 million during March but 16 million less than a year earlier.

Plant Sale

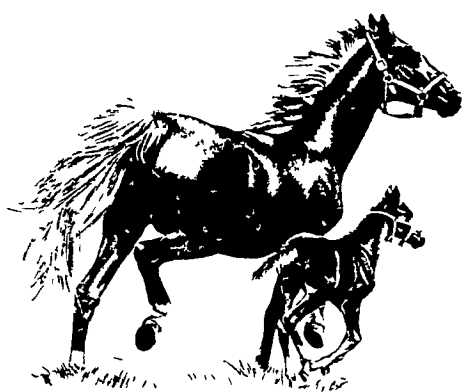
The annual Plant Sale sponsored by the women of St. Thomas Episcopal Church will be held Friday, May 16th from 10 A M to 7 P M on the church grounds. A selection of favorite annuals, perennials, herbs and ground covers will be available. Also, some gardening accessories and handcraft items for spring and summer home decoration will be offered for sale.

Tickets may be purchased at the door for the luncheon, 11 30 A M to 1 00 P M, featuring a variety of homemade desserts.

St. Thomas Church is located on St. Thomas Rd. off the Oregon Pike (Rt. 222) north of the Lancaster Shopping Center.

Another exhibitor from Lititz is Mrs. Doris Biggs who will put in a case entitled "Lancaster County Minerals." Mrs. Biggs is editor of the society's monthly magazine *The Keystone Newsletter*. She resides at 2050 Lititz Pike. Other exhibitors of the area are Maris Campbell of Pequea, Richard F. Bowers of Lancaster, George Breitweiser of Meshoppen, Charlie Shoff of Mt. Nebo, Milie Watts of Rawlinsville, Jack Zercher of Willow Street, Pa.; and Don Sachs of Lancaster who is also in charge of the show staging.

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