

● Doctor

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when they started. Two of the girls' sows have farrowed with little blond Karen hitting the jack-pot with a litter of 11.

"We bought a gilt for each child," the Dr. said. "We thought it was better than to later give them money. It teaches them responsibility and of course everybody around here likes animals."

Missionary Pig

Another thing the Schmuck's hope the children learn from example (though they are not demanding it) is the art of sacrificial giving. The gilt that be-

longs to Mrs. Schmuck is to farrow next week and one of the expected litters is going to be dedicated as a missionary project. Mrs. Schmuck's Uncle Ike and Aunt Jane Foster are missionaries in Korea under the auspices of Baptist Bible Fellowship with headquarters in Springfield, Mo. The Fosters have adopted two children, Kay and Paul, and the missionary pig from each litter will go to support this work.

"We don't know if it will be a gilt or a high priced boar or if it will die. We'll pick it by lot and see what happens."

Anyway, the Schmuck family

looks forward to how many pigs are going to appear in each litter and each one takes seriously his or her responsibility to care for his own project. Like little Karen told her Daddy last week, "I'll sleep with my pig the night she is to have babies—but I might sleep right through it."

But really no one is sleeping around the Schmuck farm. Everyone is alert, enjoying the learning experiences that can only be had while living on a farm.

● Farm Calendar

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Directors meet, Farm and Home Center

8:00 p.m. — Lancaster County Holstein Association Board meets, Farm and Home Center.

Thursday, June 5

4:30 p.m. — Lancaster County Voc. Ag Teachers meet, Lampeter-Strasburg High School

8:00 p.m. — Lancaster County Poultry Directors meet, Farm and Home Center

8:00 p.m. — 4-H County Council Executive Meeting, Farm and Home Center

The Atlantic narrows to 1,600 miles, between Brazil and Africa.

Dr. Carl S. Bittner To Retire

UNIVERSITY PARK — Dr. Carl S. Bittner, professor and chairman of horticulture Extension at The Pennsylvania State University, who has served the Pennsylvania horticultural industry for 22 years, will retire June 30 from the Cooperative Extension Service staff.

At a recent meeting of the University Board of Trustees he was given the rank of emeritus professor.

Commenting on Dr. Bittner's retirement, College of Agriculture Dean Russell E. Larson said "he has provided invaluable service to the University and the horticultural industry, and has been the leader of many effective programs in the field of pomology during a long and productive career."

A native of Sodus, Michigan, he earned his bachelor and master of science degrees from Michigan State University and doctor of philosophy degrees from Ohio State University.

Dr. Bittner taught four years at Battle Creek (Michigan) High School, then filled a tem-



Dr. Carl S. Bittner

porary appointment as fruit specialist at Penn State. After a year of graduate study at Ohio State University he served 11 years as county agricultural agent in Ottawa County, Ohio.

From 1945 to 1947 he conducted a special program in fruit freezing for Standard Brands, Inc., and in 1947 was named Extension pomologist at Penn State. In 1961 he was named chairman of the Extension horticulture section.

While serving as Penn State pomologist, Dr. Bittner assisted former Extension Director H. R. Albrecht and Frank Bame, former Extension agronomist in formulating plans for the Penn State soil testing service. He has served on the soil testing advisory committee since 1951.

He initiated and perfected foliar testing for horticultural crops with special emphasis on large and small fruits. Dr. Bittner was also instrumental in developing standards for evaluating orchards utilizing soil, foliage, and cover crop guideposts.

As county agent in Ohio, the pomologist initiated an annual soil testing program for sugar beets and tomatoes for 500 growers. With Standard Brands, Inc., he developed methods for cooling cherries prior to and enroute to processing plants.

In 1964-65 Dr. Bittner participated in a world tour while on sabbatical leave to study horticultural practices and foliar deficiencies. Following his study he accepted speaking engagements in a number of states.

He has served on a number of national committees of the American Society of Horticultural Science, and has written articles for most of the horticultural trade journals.

Dr. Bittner was honored recently by the State Horticultural Association "for outstanding service to the horticultural industry."

He is past president of the State College Kiwanis Club and Gamma Sigma Delta, honor society in agriculture. He is also a member of the State College Presbyterian Church, Masons, Alpha Gamma Rho, social fraternity, Epsilon Sigma Phi national honorary Extension fraternity, and Gamma Alpha, graduate recognition society.

Dr. and Mrs. Bittner are the parents of three children: Mrs. Dale J. Ewalt, Carl Jr., and David O.

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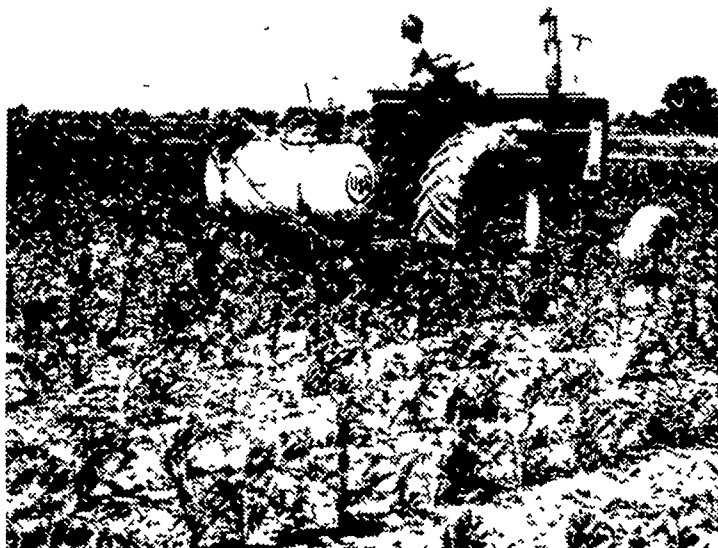
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