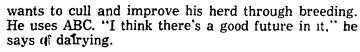
Lancaster Farming, Saturday, September 5, 1970-21

The Regional Star Farmer's Farm



Weaver stands this week with some of the 32 Holstein cows and 22 heifers on his Strasburg RD1 farm. Starting with three cows and some heifers in 1967, he hopes to have a 40 cow herd this fall. After that, he



Robert Lee Weaver, a 21-year- FFA Convention at Kansas City, old Strasburg RD1 faimer, has Mo, Octobel 13-16 been named FFA Regional Star American Farmer

ries with it the right to compete with three other Regional Star Farmers in October for the Star Faimers of America awaid,

est FFA award The Star Faimer award is based on a combination of faim program and leadership in FFA activities

which is recognized as the high-

These photos were taken this week of the Weaver farm, a 115acie farm just north of Strasburg which young Weaven tents fiom Eail Groff, in a tour with Weaver and Lampeter-Strasburg vo-ag teachei Galen Kopp

Besides the cows and crops shown, Weaver has in the past been growing about three acres of tobacco and keeping up to 30 market hogs.

In 1966, Weaver was Lancaster County Star Faimer This week. national FFA representatives were at the Weaver farm preparing a film of his farming operation to show at the National

Weaver, who hopes to own his own faim someday, is showing It is one of the highest nation. what a young man with energy al FFA awards The award car- and know-how can do in faiming



Robert Lee Weaver Regional Star Farmer



Weaver inspects his lush alfalfa stand.

Pa. Officials to Assist At Waste Conference

State Agriculture Secretary Leland H Bull will serve as a panel moderator at a four-state conference Sept 14 to 17 to study the problems of agricultural waste in an urban environment

The conference, sponsored by the New Jersey Animal Waste Disposal Task Foice, will be held at Atlantic City In addition to New Jersey, participating states are Pennsylvania, New York and Delaware

Secretary Bull will preside at the afternoon session Monday, Sept 14, and also serve on the same day as model ator of a panel to discuss a state's viewpoint on agricultural waste problems

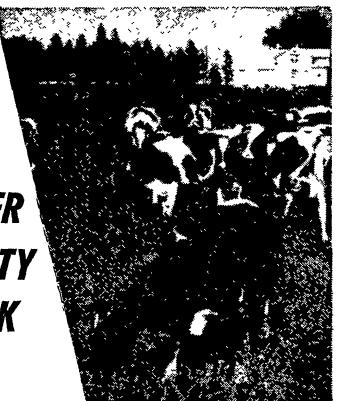
John W Early, director of Agricultural Planning, Evaluation and Research in the Pennsylvania Agriculture Department, will be vice chairman of the moining session Sept 15 on agricultural waste funding

Glenn Heri, manager of Cloisteidale Faims, Inc. at Ephrata. and David G Unger, former executive director of the State Soil Conseivation Commis-



Weaver has a good corn crop coming on this year. This stalk is not unusual in having two good ears, he says. To feed his dairy animals, he relies on alfalfa, corn, corn silage and sorghum which he grows.





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sion, will also speak Sept 15 on research needs Unger now is assistant executive secretary of the National Association of Conservation Districts

Jack F Schinagl, head of agricultural communications at Pennsylvania State University. will be vice chairman at a session on communications and public relations Sept 15.

Reservations for conference attendance may be made through Richard D Chumney, New Jersey Department of Agriculture, PO Box 1888. Trenton, NJ 08625

Tobacco usually ranks No 4 among US faim export commodities, according to the US. Department of Agriculture In the 1969 calendar year, US tobacco exports amounted to 757 million pounds (farm sales weight) - about 10 per cent in manufactured products and the remainder in unmanufactured leaf Over 95 per cent of these exports were for dollar sales, - therefore, tobacco exports make a big contribution to the US. balance of-trade position.