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We Salute Dairying June 5

Dairying is approximately a \$40 million a year business in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania's most productive agricultural county. Dairying is also important in neighboring counties.

Lancaster Farming will recognize the area's dynamic dairy industry in its June 5 Special Dairy Issue.

Lancaster Farming extends a special invitation to dairy groups and organizations, as well as individuals, to submit articles and news on dairying for the Dairy Issue.

Advertisers are invited to make their own appeal to a large segment of the Southeastern Pennsylvania dairy market.

To be sure to make the Dairy Issue, please submit all material by Wednesday, June 2.

Call us at 394-3047 or 626-2191 (ask for Lancaster Farming). Or write to Lancaster Farming, P. O. Box 266, Lititz, Pa. 17543.

Egg Shells to Be Panel Topic

Egg shells and how to get quality egg shells will be the topic of an educational meeting in Lititz June 10.

All interested poultrymen have been invited to attend the session, which will begin with an open house at R W Sauder's Egg Processing Plant one-half mile north of Lititz on Route 501 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. At Sauder's, producers can observe the handling of eggs from the time the eggs enter the plant till they are packaged for the consumer.

At 8 p.m. three speakers will serve on a panel to discuss how to achieve egg shell quality and avoid breakage problems. Panel-

ists will also answer questions. The panelists and their topics are Herb Jordan, Penn State

poultry specialist, "A Strong Bird — A Strong Shell", on managing the flock for shell quality.

Dr. Dwight Schwartz, Penn State poultry veterinarian, "A Weak Bird — A Weak Shell", the impact of disease on shell quality, and Kermit Birth, Penn State poultry marketing specialist, "Bump, Bang and Crack", is the problem one of a weak shell or abuse?

Jay W. Irwin, associate Lancaster County agricultural agent, noted that egg shell quality and damage plays an important role in the producer's final egg check.

Irwin emphasized that many factors go into making good (Continued on Page 7)



John Weaver, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Paul Weaver, Ephrata RD1, displays the trophy he won recently for winning the annual Lancaster County FFA Quiz Contest at Solanco. The Cloister FFA Chapter member beat out 17 other contestants from nine county schools.

Pa. Poultry Federation Annual Meeting Will Feature 'Economics and Ecology'

"Economics and Ecology" is the theme for the 1971 annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Poultry Federation. The meeting will be held at the Sheraton Harrisburg Inn, a new motor inn located seven miles southwest of Harrisburg on Route 83.

Dr. Jonathan Tobey, first vice president, Chase Manhattan Bank, New York City, will address the opening session on "Economic Factors Affecting the Pennsylvania Poultry Industry."

Dr. Tobey is a graduate of the University of Rhode Island and received his doctorate from

the University of Cornell. He had majored in marketing prior to joining Chase Manhattan Bank, he spent several years with Quaker Oats Company as a poultry specialist. He also was a professor of Marketing at Cornell with agricultural economic responsibilities in Extension teaching and research in poultry and livestock marketing.

The two late morning sessions will be on "Past, Present, and Future on Egg Pricing" and "Poultry Inspection, What It's All About." Mr. Herbert Becher, man of Baltimore and Dr. Fred

Fullerton of the USDA will handle these respective topics.

The ecology session will start promptly after the luncheon hour, and the "keynote" on the ecology session is Dr. C. L. Hosler, Dean of Earth and Mineral Sciences, Penn State University. He will present a slide presentation on "Man's Impact on His Environment."

Following Doctor Hosler's presentation, Dr. Howard Zandell, Poultry Science Department, Michigan State, John Bergdoll, Anderson Box Company, and Richard Chumney, assistant to the New Jersey Secretary, of Agriculture, will discuss various methods of solving the poultry waste problem.

The annual business session of the Federation will be a brief meeting scheduled for late afternoon. The business session will include the election of directors and reorganizations of the board of directors. President Fred Slezak will be presiding at these business sessions.

A banquet in the beautiful, new ballroom of the Sheraton will conclude the day's activities. The toastmaster for the banquet will be the Berks County Agricultural Agent, James F. Halde-man.

The Federation will honor an outstanding Allied Industryman and an outstanding Poultryman with special citations. The Poultryman of the Year Award will be made by last year's recipient, Charles Phillips, and the Allied Industryman of the Year Award will be presented by George L. Hauer.

Herb Jordan, Penn State Poultry Specialist, will present Youth Awards to the outstanding youth in both FFA and 4-H.

He will also present a "Good Egg Award" to an adult who has made very outstanding contributions for the poultry industry among Pennsylvania youth. Following the presentation of awards, an orchestra, the "Mello Macs," will play for the dancing pleasure of those attending.

National Sheep Referendum Set

A nationwide referendum will be held for sheep producers to decide whether the sheep industry should continue a promotional program for its products.

The referendum, to be conducted by mail ballot June 7 to 13, has been called by U. S. Agriculture Secretary Clifford Hardin.

In similar referendums in 1955, 1959, 1962, and 1966, sheepmen gave overwhelming approval of the promotion program. All sheep producers and feeders are eligible to vote in the referendum if they own sheep or lambs which are six months of age or older for any one of at least 30 days since January 1, 1971.

While sheep are not considered one of the major farm products in Southeastern Pennsylvania, many farmers keep some sheep and some farmers specialize in sheep production. Lancaster County ranks third in the state in sheep production with nearly 9,000 sheep and Pennsylvania is 25th among the states in sheep production.

For approval, the promotional program for lamb and wool requires a "yes" vote by more than two-thirds of the individual producers voting or producers own-

ing sheep represented by those voting.

Sheepmen contribute to the cost of the promotion through a deduction from their incentive payment on wool.

During the 1970 market year, 75 Lancaster County farmers received \$9,521 in incentive payments for wool and unshorn lambs, the local Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service office has announced.

The amount deducted for the promotion is 1.5 cents for each pound of shorn wool and 7.5 cents for each 100 pounds of unshorn lamb. This gives an equitable distribution of contributions from all sheep producers according to the size of their operation.

The promotions for lamb and wool are conducted in the major population areas of the nation, and include joint programs with food processors and wool manufacturers; a lamb and wool education program; a lamb and wool publicity program for newspapers, radio and television, the Miss Wool of America contest, and the "Make It Yourself With Wool" contest for teenage home sewing buffs.

The promotions are conducted through the American Sheep Producers Council.

Farm Calendar

Sunday, May 23

8 p.m. — Fulton Grange annual Go-to-Church night.

Monday, May 24

8 p.m. — DHIA quarterly directors meeting, Farm and Home Center.

8 p.m. — Dairy Princess contest committee meeting, Farm and Home Center.

Tuesday, May 25

8 p.m. — Lancaster County Agriculture and Home Economics Extension Association, Farm and Home Center.

Fulton Grange Meeting

Wednesday, May 26

6:30 p.m. — Southeastern Pennsylvania Feed Nutritionists meeting, Lancaster Stock Yards.

Thursday, May 27

Lancaster County Swine Producers meeting, Farm and Home Center.

Solanco FFA Wins Land Contest

The Lancaster County FFA Land Use and Management contest was held on the farm of Howard J. Miller, Refton Thursday afternoon.

The top team was Solanco FFA Chapter and the high scoring individual was Dave Aument, also of Solanco. There were six

teams from Lancaster County and one from Chester County and 43 individual contestants.

Other teams in the order of their placing were Manheim Central, second, Cloister of Ephrata, third, Grassland of New Holland, fourth, Pequea Valley, fifth, and Penn Manor, sixth. Oxford of Chester County also participated.

Others in the top 10 in individual competition were: William Hershey, Solanco, second; Joe Lefever, Manheim Central, third; William Krantz, Solanco, fourth; Dave Bitler, Solanco, fifth; Robert Fite, Solanco, sixth.

Marlin Smoker, Cloister, seventh; Mervin Groff, Manheim Central, eighth; Kenneth Glick, Solanco, ninth; and Marlin Beckel, Manheim Central, tenth.

The Octorara Watershed Association presented the winning team, a rotating trophy. The Solanco team advisor was Bill Fredd, vo-ag teacher.

The Lancaster County Soil and Water Conservation District presented Aument a plaque.

Official contest judge was Oival Bass, district, conservationist.

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Editor's Note: See editorials, Max Smith column and Rev. Lawrence W. Althouse column on Page 20.

This page, which we call the editorial page, has been permanently moved to the fourth page of Section Two. While it has a new location, the page itself is the same as before.

It's easy to find. It's in the same location as before, except it's in Section Two instead of Section One.

The change also allows some of our markets, particularly the poultry markets, to be carried on page four. Markets now are on pages two, three and four.