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## Farm Calendar

Saturday, February 5

6:45 p.m. — Ephrata Young Farmer Association annual banquet, Mt. Airy Fire Hall.

Monday, February 7

6:30 p.m. — DeKalb 200 bushel award banquet, Hunt Valley Inn, north of Baltimore.

8 p.m. — Lancaster County Poultry Association meeting, Farm and Home Center.

Pennsylvania Vegetable Conference, Pennsylvania State University, February 7-9.

Tuesday, February 8

7:30 p.m. — Central 4-H Tractor Club, Landis Bros., Lancaster.

7:30 p.m. — Ephrata Young Farmer farm management course, vo-ag department, Ephrata Area High School.

7:30 p.m. — Penn Manor Young Farmer monthly meeting, Milk Marketing and Promotion, vo-ag department, Penn Manor High School.

7:30 p.m. — Farm and Home educational meeting, "No-Fault Auto Insurance", Farm and Home Center.

8 p.m. — Farm and Home Foundation board of directors meeting, Farm and Home Center.

Garden Spot Young Farmer dairy management course, vo-ag department, Garden Spot High School.

Jug Dairy Processors Con-

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National FFA officers visited Lancaster County Wednesday. The National FFA recognized New Holland Division of Sperry Rand with a "Gold Sponsor's Award" for the firm's sponsorship of the FFA award program through the National FFA Foundation. Among those visiting New Holland's operations center Wednesday are: front, left to right, Tim Burke, Iowa, National FFA president; Paul Gray, national FFA executive secretary;

Kevin Hall, Keymar, Md., North Atlantic Region FFA vice president; J. C. Fink, state FFA advisor. Back, Ken Ibach, New Holland computer operations supervisor; Phil Johnson, Nebraska, Central Region FFA vice president; Doyle O. Waybright, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania FFA president, and Dan Reuwee, national FFA information director.

## Max Smith Honored for 35 Years of Service

Max Smith, Lancaster County ag agent, was honored for his 35 years of service to the local farm community at a special program at the annual Red Rose 4-H Baby Beef and Lamb Club annual banquet at the Farm and Home Center Thursday night.

The program featured the well known Floyd "Dutch" Bucher, Reamstown, county agent who hired Smith in 1937.

Bucher, who noted it has been "about 27 years since I've faced such a fine audience," recalled that Smith early in his career complained about not having enough to do so the 4-H work was

turned over the the former Washington Countain "lock, stock and barrel." Bucher added, "And you all know what a fine job he has done."

Several others also spoke about the important role Smith has played in Lancaster County 4-H work. They included: Miss Debbie Kreider, 4-H'er who gave a humorous account of Smith's concern about top quality care of show animals; Stanley Musselman, National Central Bank farm representative, who emphasized Smith's role as a representative of agriculture to the business community and his

role in getting the Farm and Home Center built, Arthur Rohrer and Mylin Good.

Fred Linton, Quarryville RD2, Red Rose 4-H Club leader, was master of ceremonies to the award program. Based on research by club leaders, he said Smith has helped to buy, sell and feed some 3,500 steers worth \$1.4 million and 1,200 sheep worth \$60,000. Smith also has attended and conducted about 7,280 meetings "as near as we could figure." His 4-H'ers have had 11 grand champion steers at the Farm Show.

In expressing his appreciation,

Smith particularly noted "help of good leaders all the way through" and "the trail blazing of some of the men like Dutch Bucher."

He added, "I guess I'll get turned out to pasture too one of these days. I hope I'll wear half

as well as that Dutch Bucher."

Smith also said that working with the youth "has been the highlight of my career" and "this is what has kept me young."

Gary Dean, 4-H'er, presented a humorous farewell to 19 club (Continued on Page 15)



Two veterans of the local farm scene greet each other Thursday night. They're "Dutch" Bucher, left, long time Lancaster County ag agent, and Max Smith, current ag agent, who was honored last night for his 35 years of Extension work in Lancaster County.

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In the 1960's, the pullet growing industry in Southeastern Pennsylvania nearly died out, because of a dread disease known as Marek's. But a Stevens RD1 pullet operation survived and, now that Marek's is under control with vaccine, is expanding, perhaps signalling the return of pullet growing here. See story on Daniel E. Wenger's conversion to a cage operation on page 16.

## 3 Poultry Meetings Planned

A series of three educational meetings for poultrymen have been scheduled jointly by the Lancaster County Poultry Association and the Cooperative Extension Service.

The meeting dates are February 10, February 24 and March 9, all beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Farm and Home Center, Lancaster.

Topic of the February 10 meeting is "Producing and Marketing Quality Eggs." Paul Hess Jr., marketing manager of the Plain and Fancy Egg Ranch, Inc., will speak on "Marketing Aspects for Marketing Quality Eggs" and Herbert Jordan, Penn State University poultry specialist, will

speaking on "Management Aspects for Producing Quality Eggs." A summary on "Management-Marketing as Partners" will also be given.

The February 24 meeting will cover "Pennsylvania Standards for Eggs" and how these standards relate to "Federal Standards Under the Egg Products Inspection Act." Also scheduled is a discussion of "The Economics of Egg Shell Damage."

The March 9 meeting will deal with "The Public Image of the Egg and What the Industry Can Do to Improve It" and a review of the "Market Order Check Off and the Fowl Adjustment Act."

Lancaster Farming this week expands its Hog Prices coverage with the introduction of hog market reports from Indianapolis, St. Louis and Peoria.

Last week, we began separating the hog market portions from our regular reports under a single Hog Prices heading for easy reading by our hog producers. The three markets introduced this week will give an overview of what's happening in Western hog markets to supplement information previously available about local hog markets.

We continue to welcome suggestions for further improvement of our market coverage.