Letters to the Editor

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Also contrary to Mr. Lickert's letter, there is no evidence that home delivery service has disappeared in any state without milk price controls — and only 10 still have. state-wide consumer milk price-fixing. Likewise, there is no evidence of any hospitals, schools or other institutions being unable to obtain milk in any state without milk price controls. That is why Mr. Lickert could give no specific examples to support his claims. As for loss of jobs among

Teamster members, if Mr. Lickert is right that lower prices would result in more people buying their milk at stores, it seems that the expanding need for wholesale route drivers would then largely offset declines in home delivery drivers. Instead of 30,000 that has been mentioned, state labor figures show there are 3,477 milk delivery men in Pennsylvania.

Looking ahead to what Pennsylvania might really expect if consumer milk price-fixing is ended, let us look at the ex-

perience in Mississippi. Mississippi: is the most recent state to eliminate controls in mid-1970. Under its controls, the lowest half-gallon price allowed was 62 cents. Without price-fixing, the price dropped to 49 cents and is now 51 cents. These consumer price reductions occurred while the farmers' Class I price rose from \$7.30 to \$7.40 per hundredweight. Below-cost selling is now prohibited in Mississippi, as Louden Hill Farm has proposed for five years in Pennsylvania.

The same dire warnings about the fate of the Mississippi dairy industry were cited there before controls were ended, just as those being voiced in Pennsylvania now by Mr. Lickert. But chaos did not happen there, it has not occurred in any of the 40 freemarket states, and it will not happen here. Let us have a little more faith than Mr. Lickert and his associates do in the American free enterprise system.

Sincerely, Peter H. Sandfort, President Louden Hill Farm, Inc Dimock, Pa.¹

Livestock Exposition

This year's 55th Little International Livestock Exposition at The Pennsylvania State University will be held Saturday, April 29, in the campus Ice Pavilion. The show will be presented by the Penn State Block and Bridle Club.

The Little International is patterned after the famous Chicago International Livestock Exposition. The basic difference between the two is that students in the Little International are judged on their ability to groom and show the animal and not on the animal's merit.

Students at Penn State may choose from four species of purebred livestock — beef cattle, horses, sheep, or swine. The livestock with which the students work are those in the University herds and flocks and are chosen by a drawing.

This year over 130 students in various courses of study will be

putting in many hours of work preparing their animals for the show. Judging will take place on April 29 beginning with cattle and sheep at 8:00 a.m. Swine will be shown after the sheep. Horses will be shown in the afternoon. Selection of grand champion showman will follow the judging of these individual classes.

A banquet will be held that evening at the Nittany Lion Inn, State College, at which time trophies and awards will be presented.

Students in charge of organizing and presenting this year's show include Abram K. Fisher, Lancaster, and Joseph Strittmatter, State College, meat raffle chairmen and William McAllister, Oxford, horse superintendent.

Glenn R. Kean, associate professor of animal science, is faculty advisor to the Block and Bridle Club.

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New Farm Show Parking

Two parcels of land, steeped in the history of the capital city, have been transferred by the General Assembly from the Department of Welfare to the Department of Agriculture.

Agriculture Jim McHale said the newly acquired five acres of land will be developed as additional parking space for the Farm Show.

Although the site already has 60 acres of parking space, 45 acres paved, State Police estimated that 85,000 cars were turned away on Wednesday of Farm Show week this year when attendance reached a record-breaking 205,000 and the temperature soared into the 60's.

History buffs will be interested to note that the smallest parcel, less than an acre, was sold to the trustees of the Pennsylvania State Hospital in 1869 for \$1,500, while the larger tract was acquired in 1893 for \$1,221.

The main exhibit building at the Farm Show stands on part of the original plot acquired for the erection of the state hospital.

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Coffee consumption in the U.S., which totaled 17.6 pounds per person in 1949, declined to 13.6 pounds by 1970. Several factors may account for the decline including the age distribution of the population, flavor, increased cup yield and competing beverages.

Fix-It Tip

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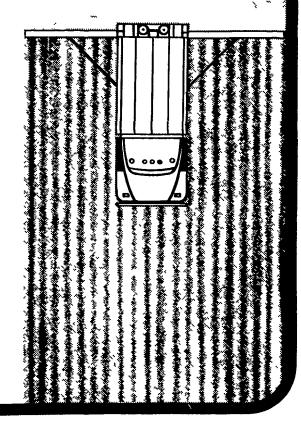
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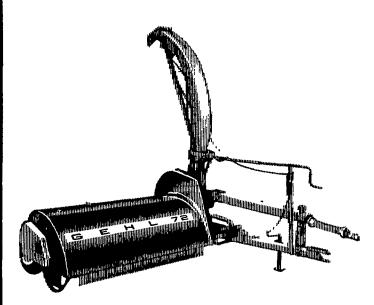
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