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Good Neighbor Policy at the Buck

About a month ago Benjamin Hess, a farmer who lived near the Buck, was clearing land on his 121 acre farm in order to erect a small mobile home. He had put several other mobile homes in the same area and the work was more or less of a routine nature. He was clearing out some small trees when suddenly one of them fell, struck him on the head and killed him instantly.

The tragedy was felt keenly in the Buck area. Hess was a well

known and well liked young farmer, a family man with four small children. And, the, there was the farm, itself.

The Hess farm is an example of why Lancaster County farms are among the best producing in the nation. The buildings are neat, the land well farmed. The soil is rich and dark in southern Lancaster County and its farms are among the finest in the Garden Spot. It is no wonder,

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Dairy Princess Contest Committee Announces Date

Details of the Lancaster County Dairy Princess contest have been released by the committee following a recent meeting.

Date for the contest is Thursday evening, June 15, at the Farm and Home Center. A reception and dinner will precede the contest at 6:30 p.m.

Daughters of dairy farmers who have completed their junior year in high school to age 21, who are single and never have been married, may enter. Girls who competed in the contest previously but were not winners are also eligible to compete.

Mrs. Robert Gregory is serving as general chairman. Others serving on committees are: Jay Landis and C.P. Brentley, tickets; Mrs. Robert Kauffman, Elizabethtown RD1, entertainment chairman. William Deisley continues as treasurer.

Girls interested in entering the contest should contact Mrs. Gregory, Lititz RD1, 733-7584, the Extension Office, 1333 Arcadia Road, Lancaster 394-6851, or any committee member. Deadline for entries and the donor list is Friday, May 26.



It looks like the long, gray line as tractors plow the fields at the Benjamin Hess farm,

Buck. Fifteen tractors plowed the 121 acre farm in a little over three hours last Friday.

Closed Meeting Held on Atomic Plant

Two representatives of the Philadelphia Electric Company

met behind closed doors with members of the board of direc-

tors of the Lancaster County Soil and Water Conservation District Tuesday night.

While no one was talking officially, it was learned that the subject for discussion was a letter sent by the board to the power company protesting the construction of any new atomic power plants in Southern Lancaster County.

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Solanco FFA Chapter Wins Regional Contest

Solanco FFA Chapter won the annual FFA regional parliamentary procedures contest this week at Lehigh County Vo-Tech School in competition with four other teams from the Eastern region.

The Solanco team got off to a slow start when they placed second in the County contest. They went on to capture first place in the area contest in competition with teams from Chester and Lancaster Counties, giving them the opportunity to compete in the regional contest.

Members of the winning team and the offices they represented were: Wayne Kreider, president; Randy Clark, vice president; William Krantz, secretary; William Hershey, treasurer; Dave Bitler, reporter; Gary Akers, chaplain; Charles Coates, sentinel, and Robert Fite, student advisor. Coaches were William Fredd, Arba Henry and Steve Leiser, teachers of agriculture at Solanco High School.

Winning the regional title entitles the Solanco team to compete on the state level at Penn State during FFA week.

There were 12 contestants in the public speaking contest, held concurrently with the parliamentary procedures contest. Joe Zagornoski from Watler Biddle Saul School of Agriculture, Philadelphia, placed first with his speech entitled "Agriculture Research."

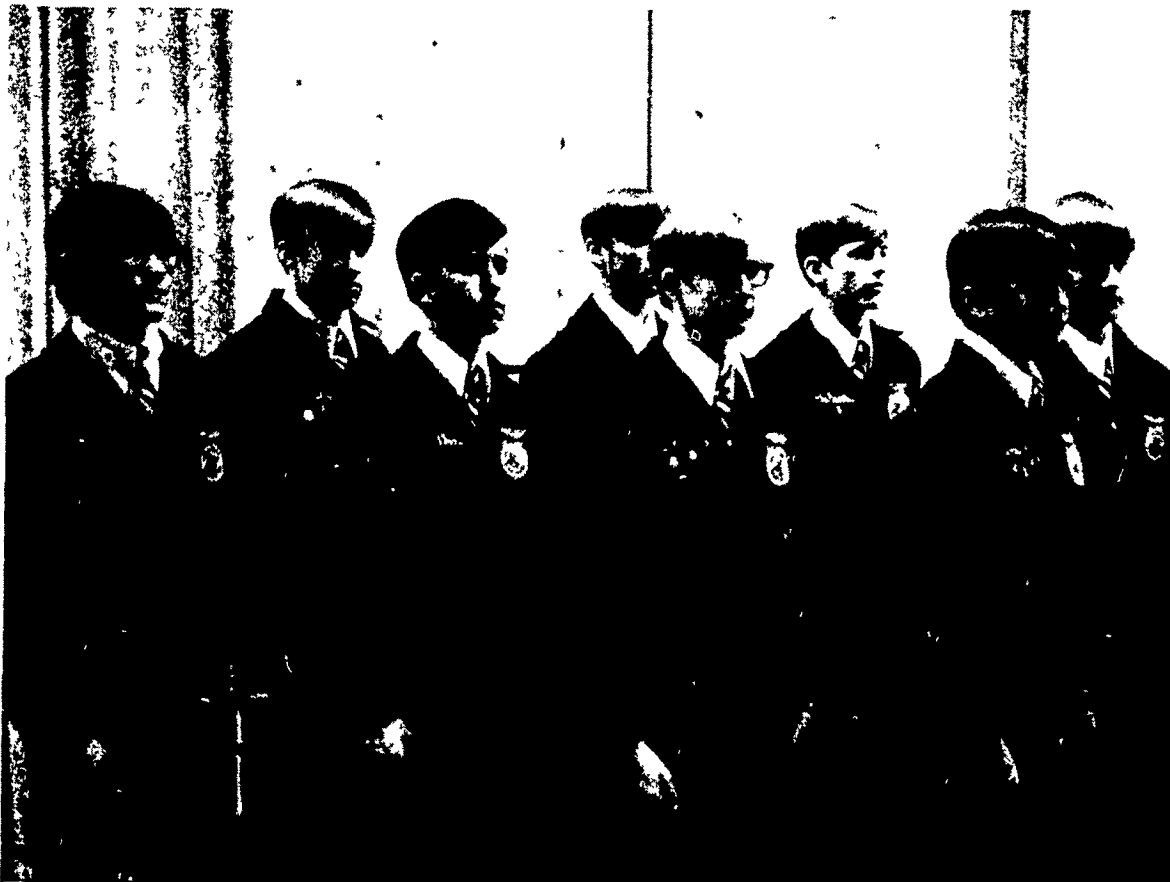
Second place winner was James Zimmerman, Grassland Chapter, New Holland, with "The Hungry Enemy," followed in third place by Adolph Bensinger, Solanco Chapter, speaking on "Leadership." These three

youths will compete for the state title during FFA Week at Penn State.

The FFA Conservation public speaking contest first place winner was Joseph Berkheiser, Blue Mountain Chapter, Schuylkill County. Mike Martin, Grassland Chapter, placed second with his speech "The Polluting Man." These two

winner winners will compete at Penn State in the State Conservation public speaking contest.

Other parliamentary procedures winners were: Northern Lebanon FFA, second, J. Ray Bickel, coach; Tunkhannock FFA, third, Marvin Hawk, coach; Western Montgomery Vo-Tech, fourth, Roger Michelone, coach.



Members of the Solanco FFA Parliamentary procedures team which won Regional FFA honors this week are, left to

right, Wayne Kreider, Bill Hershey, Gary Akers, Dave Fite, Bill Krantz, Charles Coates, Randy Clark and Dave Butler.

Farm Calendar

- Sunday, May 7
Soil Stewardship Week, May 7 - 14
- Monday, May 8
Lancaster County Farmers Association Legislative tour, Harrisburg
Fulton Junior Grange paper drive
Chester County Farmers Association Legislative tour, Harrisburg
- Tuesday, May 9
8 p.m. — Farm and Home Foundation board of directors meeting, Farm and Home Center
- Wednesday, May 10
1 30 p.m. — Nema Conference, Holiday Inn Towne, Harrisburg.
- Thursday, May 11
8 p.m. — Cocalico Watershed Association board of directors meeting, Borough Hall, Main Street, Denver
- Friday, May 12
1 p.m. — FFA Small Gas Engines Contest, Elizabethtown
7 p.m. — Pennsylvania Egg Marketing Association meeting, Holiday Inn, Denver
- Saturday, May 13
10 a.m. — Penn-Mar Shropshire Breeders Club spring meeting, Menhennet Farm, Cochranville