

# Mrs. Rhelda Royer, Involved in Dairy Farming

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Association, Brattleboro, Vt., for four years.

Royers exhibited at the state Black and White Show since 1955 and at the Pennsylvania All-American Show since 1964. These shows are held at Harrisburg in September.

Mrs. Royer was delegate to the National convention of the Holstein-Friesian Association in 1966, 1967 and 1970. There was only one other woman delegate to this convention. She was chosen because of her interest in animals.

For 14 years she was either leader for Lancaster County Veterinary Science 4-H Club or for the Manheim Sewing and Cooking Club. She has served as a judge for clothing construction and dairy shows. She was chairman of the ladies program for the Pennsylvania Holstein Association in 1963 and used to be

banquet chairman for the Lancaster County Holstein Association.

Mrs. Royer received a life membership plaque in the Dairy Shrine Club in 1970.

Royers have over 100 registered Holstein animals of which 56 are milking cows. Fourteen of their cows have produced over 100,000 pounds of milk and 10 of them are home bred cows. They have 44 milking at the present time and are averaging 2,150 pounds of milk a day. They ship to Inter-State Milk Producers and their milk goes to A. & P.

To contrast their small beginning in the business Mrs. Royer framed their first milk check statement which was \$9.31 for two weeks. They shipped milk to Hershey Chocolate Corp. 1953-1954, then to Cloister Dairy till 1968. Although some of their cows have made some excellent production records their outstanding accomplishments have taken place in breeding top quality dairy animals.

After selling some of their

ground for development, some for the Lancaster School of the Bible and lost some to highway construction they have 79 acres where they raise 60 acres of corn and some hay. They rent 20 acres across from the Eden Theatre to grow hay. Royers' is strictly a family operation. They do not hire outside help.

Mrs. Royer's main duties with their herd is to milk the high producers, clip the calves and register the animals. She keeps all the records and accounts for the herd and farm. She says, "I'm bugs on books."

Mrs. Royer recently completed a correspondence course in a Motel Management Training Course with Universal Motel Schools, Inc. in Florida and made the Deans list. She is supposed to take two weeks actual training there but says she will have to wait till Lynn is through school. She is a part time tour guide for Rutt's Tours, Intercourse. Buses come from New York, Richmond, Baltimore, Jersey City and Washington. She gets on their bus and takes them to dinner and is with them all day. They go all through the Amish country, Hershey, Gettysburg, Mount Gretna, Cornwall Furnace and Christmas Village.

Royers are charter members of Highland Presbyterian Church. When Herbert was a member of St. Paul's Reformed Church in Lancaster he taught a Sunday School class and sang in the He is very musical. He used to sing in the East Petersburg Men's Chorus. He plays trumpet.

The whole family is musical. Rhelda plays saxophone, Averill the piano and Lynn the trombone. Lynn is in the Manheim Township High School band and the Manheim Township Mellow Tones dance band.

Herbert was a 4-H leader for five years, part of the time leader of the Baby Beef Club and part for the Tractor Club. He likes field work, welding and taking care of machinery.

You might think Mrs. Royer doesn't have time to care for her house with all her herd activities but she says "You just have to be highly organized I don't work out all the time. I love to clean and keep house."

She is interested in interior decorating, refinishing furniture and sewing. She made drapes for her house. She took an Extension course in tailoring and did a lot of sewing when she had time. She likes to cook but has to make casserole meals sometimes when she is so busy. They have a good family life and enjoy dancing.

Royers have some nice an-



Mrs. Herbert Royer, 2025 Oregon Pike, proudly holds a picture of Blossomelle Zsa Zsa as she sits in her office, surrounded with framed registration papers and trophies.

tiques in their 99 year old house that have come down through their families. They have old china, a beautiful walnut inlaid corner cupboard, an old rocker, dough tray, drop leaf table, marble top tables and dresser and a desk-chest of drawers combination that was made in 1843.

Mrs. Royer has 32 framed pictures of their different dairy herd animals hanging in their kitchen. She has a collection of wooden articles, many of which were made by her uncle Paul Eshelman who is professor of Industrial Arts at Millersville. She has a number of pewter pitchers and silver bowls and trays which they have won with their animals, also a number of trophies the children have won with their animals.

Here are some favorite recipes of Mrs. Royer:

### Hawaiian Milk Punch

Yield: 3 quarts

- 1 1/2 quarts vanilla ice cream, softened
- 3 cups pineapple juice, chilled
- 1-3 cup orange juice
- 3 teaspoons lemon juice
- 4 cups cold milk

In a mixing bowl, while beating softened ice cream, gradually add fruit juices, then milk, beat until frothy. Pour into chilled punch bowl.

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### Chocolate Syrup

- 1 cup Ideal cocoa
- 2 cups sugar
- 1 1/2 cups hot water
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla

Mix thoroughly, add portion of hot water and work into a smooth paste. Add balance of water and bring to a boil, stirring constantly. Vanilla extract may be added to taste. Bottle, cork tight and keep in a cool place. One part syrup added to eight parts of

cold milk makes a delicious and nourishing drink.

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### Caramel Pudding

- 2 tablespoons butter
- 2 cups brown sugar
- 3 cups milk
- 4 tablespoons flour
- 3 eggs

Brown butter well. Mix sugar with butter. Add milk and bring to boil. Then add flour and egg yolks and bring to boil. Stir in whites and vanilla after taken off the stove

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### Cherry Carnival

- Sift together into bowl
- 1 1/4 cups sifted flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 cup soft shortening
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 large egg
- 1/4 cup milk

Blend: 2 cups cut-up well-drained pitted sour cherries (save juice) 1/2 cup cut up nuts

Bake 30 to 40 minutes at 350 degrees. Serve hot with hot clear red sauce.

Mix together in saucepan:

- 1/2 cup sugar
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- Stir in gradually
- 1 cup boiling water
- 1/4 cup juice from cherries or raspberries

Boil 1 minute, stirring constantly. Stir in

- 1/4 teaspoon almond extract
- Few drops red coloring, if desired

Keep hot until time to serve

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### Beef loaf

- 2 lbs ground beef
- 1 1/2 teaspoons salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 1 teaspoon worcestershire sauce
- 1 cup dry bread crumbs
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1/2 cup tomato juice

Combine all ingredients and bake 1 hr at 350 degrees

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### Layered Cranberry Salad

Yield: 8 to 10 servings

- Use 6 1/2 cup ring mold
- Cranberry layer
- 1 (3 oz.) pkg orange flavored gelatin
- 1 cup boiling water
- 3 tablespoons sugar
- 2 teaspoons lemon juice
- 1 (10 oz.) pkg frozen cranberry-orange relish, thawed
- Cottage cheese layer
- 1 cup dairy sour cream
- 1/2 cup cranberry juice

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