FFA Honors

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Walter Biddle Saul High School in Philadelphia, and Dr. Biron E. Decker, retired area vocational consultant in Erie County.

As a staff member of the Department of Agricultural Education at Penn State, Dr. Hoover has served as Coordinator for FFA Activities Week for the past 17 years. This event involves about 1,400 high school youth and teachers in three days of leadership training, educational demonstrations and tours, and FFA contests.

Dr. Hoover also has been in-

volved in the FFA program at the area and local level, working directly with teachers of agriculture and area vocational consultants. He is a charter member of the recently organized Pennsylvania FFA Alumni Association and is a member of the executive council therein.

A few years ago Dr. Hoover served a four-year term as national president of Alpha Tau Alpha, the professional honorary agricultural education fraternity. He is currently completing a term as national first vice-president of Alpha Tau Alpha.

Dr. Hoover has also served on the National FFA Contest Committee, was chairman of a

USDA Proposes Butter Grade Standard Changes

The U.S. Department of Agriculture is proposing a change in its quality grade standards for butter to allow a "very slight whey flavor" in U.S. Grade A butter.

A whey flavor can result when whey cream is used in making butter. Whey cream is butterfat which is separated from whey—a product which in turn has been separated from milk during cheesemaking.

Changes in cheesemaking technology and production practices have made it possible to produce high quality whey cream. This quality of whey cream, when blended with sufficient quantity of high quality sweet cream, produces a butter flavor as good as other butter flavors that are presently acceptable for Grade A butter, according to USDA standardization specialists.

Use of this quality of whey cream in butter would not lower the general quality of U.S. Grade A butter, specialists said. Any butter containing more than the

long-standing committee that developed the "Supervised Occupational Experience Record Book," and served on the committee for the proficiency awards program of the FFA.

He is the author of two books used in high school teaching of agricultural education. The first is entitled "Approved Practices in Beautifying the Home Grounds," published by the Interstate Printers and Publishers of Danville, Ill. The second book, published by the same printer, is entitled "Handbook of Agricultural Occupations."

He taught at Petersburg High [‡] School in Huntingdon County, Chambersburg High School, and Hollidaysburg High School. He joined the Penn State faculty in 1950. His degrees were all conferred by Penn State.

very slight whey flavor would continue to be graded U.S. Grade

B or C, as it is now. U.S. Grade AA requirements for butter would not be changed.

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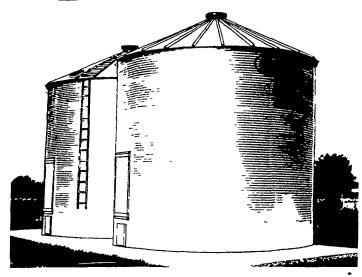
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