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Miss Raelene Harbold was crowned the 1973 Lancaster County Dairy Princess by Miss Donna Book, 1972 Dairy Princess.

Raelene Harbold Captures Dairy Princess Title

The crowning of Miss Raelene Harbold as the 1973 Lancaster County Dairy Princess last Saturday night climaxed a busy day of activities for the five contestants entered in the annual pageant held at the Farm and Home Center.

The atmosphere at the Farm and Home Center was festive - the hall was beautifully decorated, there were women in long dresses, girls in long flowing summery dresses, organ music by Glenn Houck filling the air - and everywhere, an air of expectancy as the more than 200 persons gathered around the dairy bar prior to the dinner and the evenings activities.

Following the dinner master of ceremonies David Yoder, general manager of Atlantic Breeders Cooperative, introduced each contestant, who in turn presented her parents. Yoder talked with the contestants briefly on topics relating to family, school activities, farming, and knowledge of the dairy industry.

Runner-up in the pageant was Miss Rhoda Stauffer, 17 daughter

of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stauffer, Ephrata RD1. In the event Miss Harbold should be unable to fulfill the duties of Princess during the oncoming year, Miss Stauffer would assume the obligations.

The Miss Congeniality Award, selected by the contestants themselves, went to Cheryl

Balmer, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Balmer, Lutz RD4.

Other contestants were Miss Dorothea George, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David H. George, 242 Pitney Road, Lancaster, and Miss Joanne Weidman, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Weidman, Christiana RD1.

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Oil Said to be Crucial Element in Food Mart

Prices for food and feedstuffs have been pushed to historic highs by this country's insatiable appetite for oil, William L. Larson told the annual PennAg Industries annual grain meeting on Thursday night at Lancaster's Sheraton Conestoga Motor Inn. Larson is a branch manager for Cargill, Inc., in Albany, New York. He is a veteran of 28 years as a grain merchandiser, and during the 1950's he managed the Cargill installation in Marietta.

Larson explained that the U.S. no longer holds the commanding lead it once had in manufacturing technology. Japan and Western Europe have displaced the U.S. in many world markets. Foreign exchange receipts have dwindled along with the lowered demand for American manufactured products. The U.S., therefore, no longer has foreign currency to pay for oil imports. And

Americans are using more and more oil every year.

"By 1980," Larson said, "some experts believe we'll be spending \$18 billion a year for oil imports. Where is the money to come from? We'll get foreign currency the same way we got it last year. By exporting agricultural products.

"The Nixon Administration is counting on agriculture to save the economy," he added. "Agriculture is at the heart of every recent administration move except Watergate."

Larson pointed out that direct subsidy payments were being phased out along with acreage allotments. Washington over the past few years has been gambling on the side of too much, but this year, even so, it turned out to be not enough. Enormous grain sales to Russia helped tighten

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June Is Dairy Month

FFA Week Winners Bringing Gold Home

Nearly 1700 students, teachers and chaperones from around the state flocked to Penn State this week to participate in annual FFA Week contests and ceremonies.

At press time, most of the results for Lancaster and Chester Counties were available, and as

3 State FFA Officers Named From Area

Three area youths were named as State FFA Officers Friday morning at the conclusion of FFA Week activities at Penn State.

Gary Landis, a Penn Manor FFA member, was named to represent the state as first vice-president Gerald Metzler, Octorara FFA member, is now state treasurer.

Regional vice-president is Howard Stoltzfus from Owen J. Roberts FFA Chapter

expected, gold, silver and bronze medals will be adorning many returning area youths.

The dairy judging contest was dominated by local youths, with area teams capturing four of the top five places. The top team in the state was from Solanco, and consisted of Randy Clark, Gary Aker and William Hershey. Ephrata had the second place team consisting of H. Weiler, Jay Good and Paul Horning.

Paul Horning was high individual judge in the state with a score of 372 out of a possible 400 points.

Oxford fielded the fourth place dairy judging team with Michael Buckwalter, William Hostetter and Kevin Marvin. The fifth place team was from Octorara and consisted of Bruce Yoder, Dennis Yoder and Sharon Kenley.

Chapter procedure was another area where local youths shone, with an all-sophomore team from the Grassland Chapter capturing top honors in the state. The team

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An all-sophomore team from Garden Spot High School captured first place honors in the parliamentary procedure contest held Thursday at Penn State during FFA Week. The Grassland Chapter FFA'ers beat out

seven other teams from around the state. Left to right in the photo above are Larry Weber, Don Weiler, Don Weaver, Lloyd Hoover, Dave Smeltz, Clair Martin, Scott Steffy and Art Horst.