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The top county herd in this year's Pennsylvania Holstein Show in Harrisburg last Saturday came from Lancaster County. Shown here with the winning group, left to right, are Clarence Stauffer, Ephrata, Elvin Hess, Jr., Strasburg, Russell Kline, Reinholds, J. Mowery Frey, Jr., Lancaster, William Haines, Lancaster, Arlan Keener, Elizabethtown, Linda Kauffman, Elizabethtown, Sandra Frey, Strasburg, and Robert Kauffman, Elizabethtown. Displaying the prize trophy is Neil Bowen, president of the

Pennsylvania Holstein Association. The calf, yearling and two-year-old in the county group were owned by J. Mowery Frey. The three were owned by Robert Kauffman, Russell Kline and Linda Kauffman. In the sale on Sunday, a Frey calf brought \$1750, fourth highest price at the sale. Highest selling calf was a Chester County consignment by Linda Weaver that brought \$3400.

FARM TRENDS

by Dick Wanner

Soybean Supplies Up, Prices Holding Steady

Soybean production in 1974 could total 1,540 million bushels, just under last year's record if acreage intentions and projected yields are realized. But adding this to the large carryover expected in September would boost 1974-75 supplies to 1.8 billion bushels, about a tenth above the current season and a new record. Farmers in March indicated plans to plant 55 million acres of soybeans this year, about 2 1/4 million below the record of last year. Yields per acre are projected to increase.

Total soybean utilization next season is projected to increase by about 100 million bushels to 1.5 billion bushels. Both crushings and exports are projected to increase by about 50 million bushels each over the levels expected for the current marketing year. Such gains would not quite keep pace with production, and would result in an increase in carryover stocks on September 1, 1975, to nearly 300 million bushels.

Total soybean disappearance during the current marketing year is expected to increase about 100 million bushels over last year to 1.4 billion, a new

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Martin, Sweigart Tops in FFA Meets

Pequea Valley's Galen Sweigart, Jr., and Ephrata's Curtis Martin took high individual honors this week in two separate FFA competitions

Sweigart outclassed other contestants on Monday night in the Junior FFA Public Speaking Contest held at Ephrata Area High School. The junior contest is open to

all first year speakers, normally freshmen. Sweigart nabbed the first place trophy with his observations on our diminishing forests. He will speak again at the leadership training conference scheduled for May 9 at Solanco High School.

Second place in this event went to Richard Groff, New Holland. Steve Hershey, Manheim Central, captured third prize while Ephrata's Darryl Martin went home with fourth.

Judges for the contest were Greg Landis, Nelson Martin and Earl Stauffer, all of whom are former state FFA officers.

Curtis Martin won his award on Wednesday during the annual FFA Dairy Products Judging Contest held at Penn Dairies. Of the top six individuals in the competition, five were from Ephrata's Cloister Chapter. Jay Oberholtzer was second, Dave Martin was third, Darryl Martin was fifth and

John Weiler was sixth. Mike Birmingham put Penn Manor into the top six with his fourth place finish.

High team honors went to Ephrata. Solanco, which won the contest three out of the past five years, placed second. Penn Manor was third, Chester County's Oxford High School team was fourth, and Manheim Central was fifth.

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Tractor Round-Up Winners Announced

The annual Lancaster County 4-H Tractor Club Round-up was held Friday evening, April 5 at the Farm and Home Center.

The best two overall project awards were presented to Dudley Rohrer, RD1, Manheim, and Ronald Zimmerman, Ephrata RD1. They each received a rosette ribbon and a wrench set.

Also receiving awards for outstanding project work were: David Koch, RD2 Ephrata and Errol Moyer for their first year projects; Dale Mylin, RD2 Willow St.

and Scott Augsburger, Reinholds RD1 for their second year projects; Andy Augsburger, RD1 Reinholds for his third year project and Donald Mylin, RD2 Willow St. and David Haldeman, Reinholds RD1 for their fourth year projects.

The awards and wrench sets were presented by Ben Wenger, president, Lancaster County Machinery Dealers Association.

Jay W. Irwin, Associate County Agent, discussed the tour scheduled for this summer and presented the film "Focus on 4-H."

"And I Will Give Him the Morning Star"

"...lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood;

And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind.

And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places.

And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens

and in the rocks of the mountains;

And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb:

For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?"

These words of prophecy from the Revelation of St. John form a wedge between the state of Pennsylvania and many of Lancaster County's conservative farmers - those of the Old Order Mennonite and Amish faiths. Many conservatives believe that the state is the embodiment of the vile, seven-headed, ten-horned beast of Revelations; the blasphemous

beast which deceives men so that they worship and obey not God, but the beast-state. St. John tells us that God will heap vengeance upon those who worship the beast and his image and those who receive the mark of his name.

But what about the one who resists the beast, who overcomes, who keeps God's words? Of him, St. John tells us, God has said, "I will give him the morning star."

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has decreed that by July 1, 1977, all farmers in the state must have conservation plans in operation on their farms so that runoff water does not carry soil away from their fields. These conservation

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