

# Conservation Contest Winners Announced

A corn growing project and a speech on water pollution were picked for first place prizes on Tuesday evening during the annual Lancaster County Soil and Water Conservation Roundup held at the Farm and Home Center.

Steve Arbaugh took top prize in conservation projects with his demonstration of the growth rates of corn planted in different soil types. He is the 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs.

Phillip Arbaugh, New Providence RD1, and he's a seventh grader at Quarryville Junior High. The youth is a member of the Southern 4-H Soil and Water Conservation Club.

Kerry Boyd, Ephrata RD1, took top prize in the speaking contest. He is the 15-year-old son of Elmer Boyd and is a sophomore at Ephrata Area High School where he is a member of the Cloister FFA chapter.

Second place in the public

speaking event went to Curtis Martin, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel W. Martin, Ephrata RD1. A freshman at Ephrata High School, Martin is a member of the Cloister FFA Chapter.

Speaking on fish conservation, Martin told of methods of improving fish populations and major problems associated with maintaining good fishing conditions.

Jeff Gehman, 13, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul H. Gehman, 126 Bonview Drive, Denver, was reserve champion in the conservation project contest.

A member of the Northern 4-H Soil and Water Conservation Club, Gehman displayed his project on the effects of conservation plowing on water runoff.

Third place in the public speaking contest went to Galen Sweigart Jr., Gordonville RD1, who spoke on "Our Diminishing Forests." He is a freshman at Pequea Valley High School.

In Boyd's winning speech on clean water, he told of various pollutants, the greatest of which is sediment from soil erosion.

Boyd noted that factories and industries have also polluted vast amounts of water and that in recent years great sums of money have been invested in attempts to treat these wastes.

Mine drainage, according to Boyd, is the second greatest threat to clean water as acid drains into streams resulting in losses of aquatic life.

"The problem is not going to be easily solved unless

# Red Rose Baby Beef Wins Junior Judging

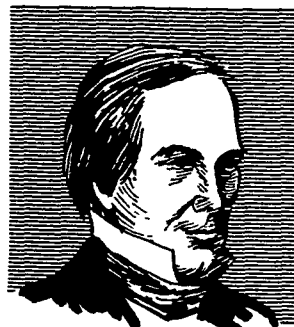
Four members of the Red Rose 4-H Baby Beef Club joined efforts to make the Lancaster County 4-H Judging Team that won the recent Junior Judging Contest at Penn State University.

The contest included eight classes of livestock (beef cattle, sheep, and hogs) with oral reasons on one class of each species.

Steve Donough of Manheim RD4 was 4th in judging beef cattle, 3rd in swine, and fourth high individual in the contest. Kevin Rohrer, Manheim, RD2, was high man in sheep judging with Kenneth Brubaker, 2418 Harrisburg Pike, Lancaster, placing 5th in judging sheep. The fourth club member on the team was Ronald Kreider, Manheim, RD3, Pa. As individuals in the total contest Kevin Rohrer was 6th and Kenneth Brubaker rated 9th among 44 contestants.

The Lancaster Team was first in judging beef cattle, first in judging sheep, and third in swine judging. In winning the overall contest the Lancaster County team earned a total of 1447 points (possible 1650) followed by

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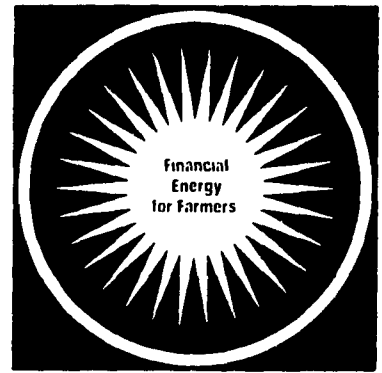
everyone becomes concerned about the quality of our environment and is willing to do his part," said Boyd.

on their trip to and from the Penn State campus. A total of 11 4-H and FFA judging teams competed.

The next contest for the local judging group will be the State Contest to be held in August at Penn State University. This was the first year for the Junior Spring Judging Contest which was sponsored by the Block and Bridle Animal Science Club at Penn State.

York with 1438 points, and Mercer County with 1433 points.

The Lancaster group was supervised by Beef Club Leader, John R. Zimmerman, Ephrata, RD1, Pa.



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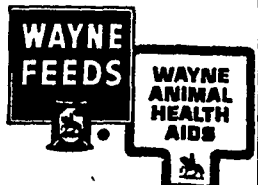


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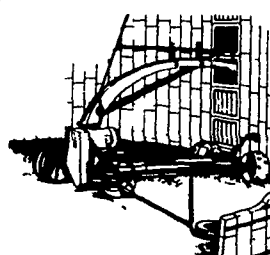
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