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is a member of the Midway Church of the Brethren youth group and choir.

She is a member of the Cedar Crest Medical Careers Club and Organ Club.

Mary Ann, whose parents own 160 head of Holsteins, plans to work for her father on the farm and may go into the Brethren Volunteer Service within a year.

Other contestants participating in the contest were; Linda Kreider, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin H. Kreider, RD2, Palmyra. Susan Werner, 16, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis M. Werner, RD1, Fredericksburg; and Rose Brandt, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Brandt, RD1, Fredericksburg.



Mary Ann Reist recipient of the Miss Congeniality 1974 Award at the Lebanon County Dairy Princess Pageant.

Master of Ceremonies for the event was Alfred Brandt, Lebanon. Mr. Brandt is the State President of the Pennsylvania Dairy Herd Improvement Association.

Also presiding at the contest was Donna Ben-netch, Lebanon County Dairy Princess of 1973.

Judged for the pageant included; Mr. Harold Brecht, Assistant County Agent of Schuylkill County; Mrs. Faye Strickler, Extension Home Economist of Berks County and Miss Betsy Ellsworth, Myerstown.

Melissa Piper Named Associate Editor

Melissa Piper, Sturgis Lane, Lititz, has been named Associate Editor with the Lancaster Farming Newspaper.

Miss Piper, who resided in Columbia County before moving to Lititz, graduated from Benton Area High School and received a Bachelor of Science Degree in General Agriculture from Penn State at the June commencement exercises.

While attending Penn State, Miss Piper was active in many agricultural activities including the Block and Bridle and the Editor of the Ag Hill Action Newsletter.

Having lived on a farm noted for livestock and crops production, she was active in 4-H receiving numerous awards for her work in veterinary medicine.

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FARM TRENDS

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Sign Up Now for Wheat and Feed Grain Program

Dorothy Neal, head of the Lancaster County ASC office, reminds farmers that July 15 is the last day for signing up for the 1974 Wheat and Feed Grain Program. She said no set-aside acreage and no conserving base is required this year. You've got to sign up if you want to be eligible for deficiency payments (based on target prices), disaster payments, price support loans and if you want to protect your crop history for allotment purposes.

Lehigh Names Former Kraftco Official President

The troubled Lehigh Valley Farmers Cooperative has named Robert P. Barry president. Barry is a former official of the Sealtest Division of the Kraftco Corp., in Philadelphia, and replaces Richard Allison who was fired last month. Barry was reportedly picked for the job over three other front runners, one of whom was former Pennsylvania Milk Marketing Board chairman Harry Kapleau.

Lancaster Co. Leads Pa. Agriculture

According to the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, in 1971 the value of the total agricultural output in Lancaster County was \$211,650,200. By 1973 the output value had leaped almost \$100,000,000, totaling \$311,210,160.

Lancaster County was ranked first in five commodity categories including dairy products, poultry and broiler production, cattle and calves, hogs and layers and eggs, in Pennsylvania for 1973.

The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture Crop and Livestock Summary noted that the county dairy production totaled \$60,703,000. Last year, placing the area first in state production.

Total value for the Poultry-Broiler industry in Lancaster County was \$26,072,000; while layers and eggs registered at \$40,707,000. Cattle and Calves production value registered \$95,677,000. Last year with hogs valued at \$7,421,000. Lancaster County ranked second in poultry production other than broiler and layer production and third in sheep production in the state.

Corn and grain registered the highest acreage used in Lancaster County from 1971-1973 with an average yield of 84 bushels per acre.

Hay followed in second place with an average of 16.8 tons per acre. The total value of all crops in 1973 was \$74,736,360, approximately \$26,000,000 over the 1971 figure.

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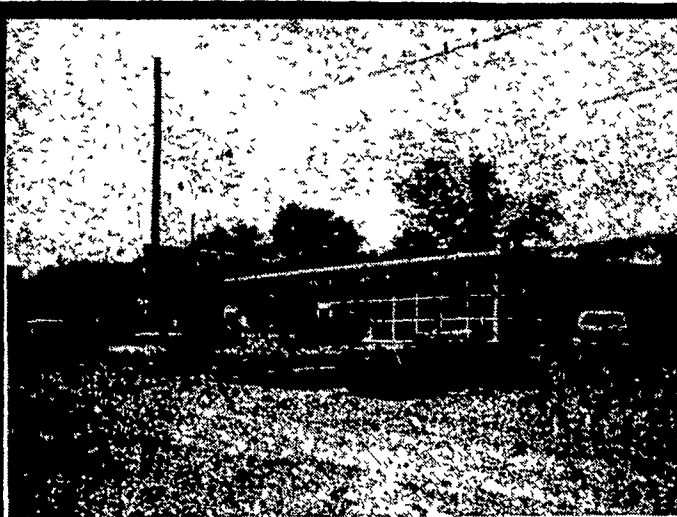
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