

## FHA Funds Allocated For Rural Systems

A total of \$5,614,000 in grant funds is available to rural communities in Pennsylvania to supplement Farmers Home Administration loans for construction of water and waste disposal systems,

Penrose Hallowell, FmHA State Director, announced today.

The newly released grant funds combined with previous grants of \$1,638,000 and \$18,846,300 in loans

allocated for fiscal year 1974 provide a total of \$26,098,300 for rural water and sewer system construction.

These funds are made available to help financially needy communities which presently lack water and sewer systems and are not able to develop them with

usual methods of financing. Grants reduce the overall cost of construction, thereby reducing the amount to be repaid and lowering rates to users.

"With these additional rural development funds, many communities can proceed with water and

waste disposal projects that will enhance living conditions and encourage economic growth," Penrose Hallowell said.

Loans and grants for water and waste disposal systems can be made to public entities such as municipalities, counties, and special purpose districts. Nonprofit corporations also may receive assistance when adequate plans for loan repayment are made.

Applications for loan and grant assistance from the Farmers Home Administration can be made at any of the 27 county offices serving Pennsylvania. Additional information concerning any of the agency's programs may be obtained from the State Office at 228 Walnut Street, P.O. Box 905, Federal Building, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17108, telephone 717-782-4476.

## Benefit Auction Wednesday To Aid Baby Heart Patient

A benefit auction will be held Wednesday at 6 p.m. for the benefit of Lena Beiler, two-year-old daughter of Amos Beiler, New Holland RD2, who has been a heart patient in Philadelphia Childrens Hospital for more than three weeks.

The sale will be held at the Paul Z. Martin Sales Barn, three miles east of Intercourse on Route 340.

It is being held by friends to help pay hospital costs. Auctioneers and clerks are donating their services, and commissions from hay and straw sales will go toward aiding the Beiler family.

All types of donations will be accepted all day Wednesday and that evening prior to the sale.

## Deadline Mon. for Pageant Tickets

Monday is the deadline for tickets for the annual Lancaster County Dairy Princess pageant to be held at the Farm and Home Center on June 29.

The reception will begin at 6:30 p.m. with dinner following at 7 p.m.

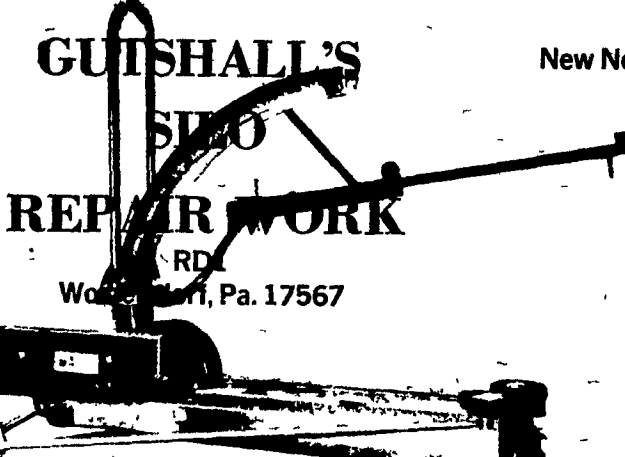
Tickets are available from members of the pageant

committee, any Atlantic Breeders Cooperative technician and the Agricultural Extension Office.

Raelene Harbold will conclude her year as Dairy Princess by crowning her successor. Six contestants are vying for the title.

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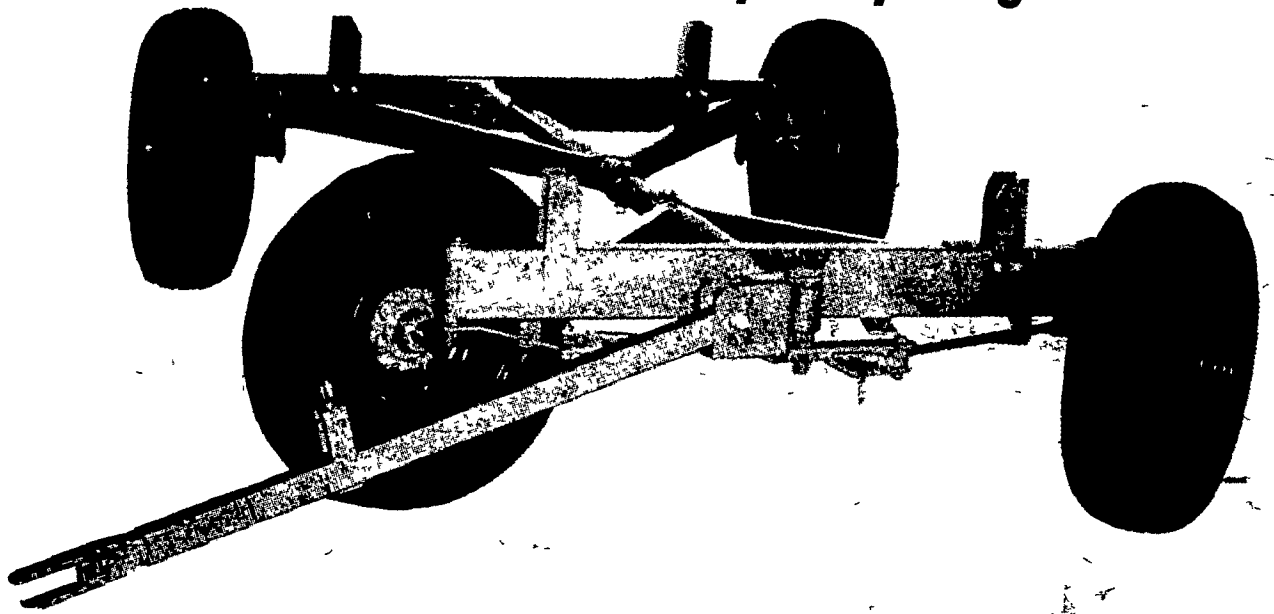
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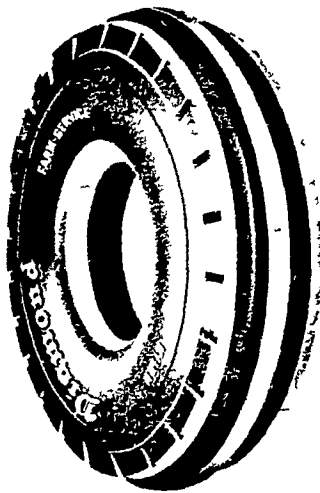
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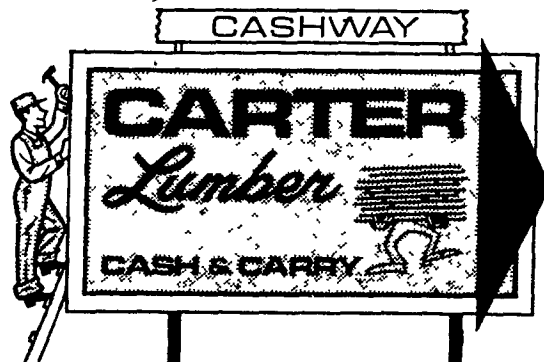


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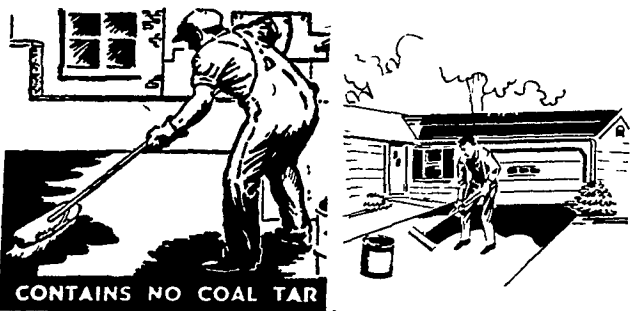


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