

SEP 30 1974  
PERIODICALS SECTION  
PATTEE LIBRARY  
PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

*aj*

# Lancaster Farming

Vol. 19 No. 46

Lancaster Farming, Saturday, September 28, 1974

\$2.00 Per Year



Linda High is the proud owner of this three-way crossbred steer that won the grand champion trophy on Thursday evening at the Ephrata Fair.

Lancaster Farming Photo Fair. The young lady also took the top prize two years ago at the Ephrata Fair.

## West Lampeter's Fair Celebrates 50th Anniversary

A large variety of exhibits, numerous activities ranging from band competitions to FFA rope pulling contests and especially pleasant early fall weather all combined to make the celebration of West Lampeter's 50th Fair a success.

Record crowds attended the three day event that began on Wednesday, Sept. 24th and climaxed on Friday, Sept. 27th.

The West Lampeter Fair began its function in 1924 and has developed from a small community display of farm produce to a community fair that lists as its objectives the encouragement of production and marketing of

high quality farm produce and livestock.

Over a thousand exhibitors brought their goods and produce along with livestock to display at the fair, some of them from the immediate area and others who had traveled some distance just to be included in the West Lampeter "farm show".

Livestock judging was one of the main activities on the agenda on Wednesday afternoon. Dr. Robert Herr, Narvon, served as the judge for both the sheep and swine show. Wednesday evening marked the beginning of the baby beef show which featured a number of 4-Hers and FFA members showing in seven different classes.

On Thursday morning over 1000 FFA members from schools all over the county converged on the fargrounds for the livestock judging competition.

Lew Ayers, FFA advisor from Ephrata High School, explained that the judging competition included the largest number of FFA

participants in the history of the West Lampeter fair.

The contest included judging of market swine, steers and dairy animals and sheep.

Following the judging competition, the FFA members gathered in the central field area for the annual rope pulling contest. The Garden Spot High School FFA team received first place "tugging" honors when they overpowered teams from Warwick, Pequea Valley, Manheim, Elizabethtown, Ephrata and Lampeter-Strasburg.

Thursday afternoon activities also included the judging of dairy cattle, which saw competition in the Guernsey and Holstein breeds classes.

Friday evening's schedule included an all western horse show along with the FFA fat hog and beef consignment sale.

Highlights of the crops and livestock crops competitions

[Continued On Page 16]

## Tent City Opens At Ephrata Fair

The 56th Annual Ephrata Fair opened on Tuesday with a pork chop dinner served by the Ephrata Area Young Farmers in Tent City. Tent City is the agricultural area apart from the Main Street portion of the fair. Begun just a few years ago, the fair's farming program seems to attract more visitors each year.

### Adult Tractor Driving

Tractor drivers who normally use their skill to earn a living, used it on Tuesday afternoon to try for the Ephrata Fair's tractor driving trophies. Cliff Bollinger won the obstacle course competition, Jesse Balmer came in second and Earl Martin placed third.

Earl Martin was a double winner in tractor driving, taking first place in the 10-wheel backing event. In this supreme test of the driver's skill, the contestant must drive backwards with a tractor, a forage harvester and a forage wagon. The winner is the one who backs up the greatest distance. In second place was Leonard Kreider and in third was Wilbur Kreider.

### FFA Tractor Driving

FFA members tried their hands at tractor driving on Wednesday. Members of the Cloister FFA chapter maneuvered their vehicles through the obstacle course under the watchful eyes of judges Ken Neff,

representing International Harvester, Amos Stauffer from Stauffer Diesel, Charles Hackman from Farmersville Equipment, and Richard Buch of Roy Buch, Inc.

Winners in the contest, all Cloister chapter members were: 1 - David B. Martin, Ephrata RD2; 2 - Harry Leininger, Ephrata RD1; 3 -

[Continued on Page 19]

## All American Dairy Show Victors Listed

Nearly 600 cows, heifers and calves were judged Monday at the 19th Pennsylvania Junior Dairy Show, opening event at the 11th Pennsylvania All-American Dairy Show at the Farm Show complex in Harrisburg.

Competition was restricted to 4-H and FFA members who qualified previously with blue ribbon performances at district and regional shows.

Although York County is not ranked in the top ten counties for milk production in Pennsylvania, it was the only county to produce a pair of grand champions in the seven breed shows. A pair of

teen-aged girls, both named Cindy, pulled off the coup.

Fifteen-year-old Cindy Rutter, York, won with her four-year-old Guernsey, "Rutter Bros. C. Beth," while Cindy Knight, 16, Airville, topped the 4-H Holstein classes with "Woodbine Kate Milke," also a four-year-old cow.

The girls had to defeat bids by their brothers to nail down the titles. Tim Rutter showed a calf that was Judged junior Champion and George Knight, III, had the reserve grand champion with an 11-year-old Holstein.

There were two repeat winners from the 1973 show.

[Continued on Page 52]



Cindy Knight was one of two York County girls to tie a grand champion ribbon on her cow Monday during the Pennsylvania Junior Dairy Show in Harrisburg. Miss Knight is shown here with her four-year-old grand champion Holstein Cindy Rutter, also of York County, showed the top Guernsey.

## New Holland Farmers Fair Oct. 2-5th

The 43rd Annual New Holland Farmer's Fair will run from Oct. 2nd through the 5th in New Holland. Highlights of the show will include the opening parade at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday. Tractor driving at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday followed by a Tug-of-War contest at 9:00 p.m. Friday will be Kids Day along with a Pet Parade on

Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. Saturday's activities will include a baby parade at 4:00 p.m. followed by the Farmers Fair German Band and at 9:00 p.m. the finals for the Tug-of-War.

Exhibits of produce, homemade goods, art work and livestock will also be included at the annual function.