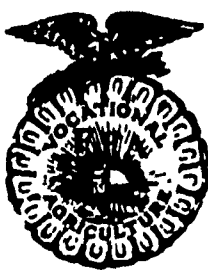


From Local Ag Teachers:



Thoughts in Passing



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Fair at Work

Do you know what goes into making a farm fair successful? I'm sure those of you that have worked on one can say yes. In this short writing I will attempt to give a personalized view of FFA students when asked what the show meant to him.

Harold Merkey - "I like it (Manheim Farm Show) because it gives the community a chance to do something different. It gave me a chance to show my steer which I enjoyed."

Dale Rohrer - "I thought that the Farm Show was very interesting and sometimes confusing."

Dave White - "The barnyard goes over big with the kids."

Darwin Nissley - "I thought it was a worthwhile event. I think the children's barnyard went over real well. The Farm Show got some people that were not active in the FFA active for once."

Ruby Ginder - "Over all I think the barnyard was the best part of the show. Many people went through it and I heard a lot of good comments."

Earl Geib - "I found it

enjoyable with good experience in training and showing animals also being a tour guide for younger children was a new experience."

Larry Ginder - "This year's farm show I thought was very good, there were things for every age group to be interested in, the barnyard, tractor pull, parades and exhibits. Most everyone in FFA was involved in getting it started."

Roy Eckert - "It's great the children liked the barnyard the adults were happy because their children were happy."

Larry Hershey - "A place for showing of my beef and

where I can participate in helping the community and FFA."

Dave Keller - "It's good because people get to compete against each other."

Dennis Kulp - "I learned to talk to little children better."

Dale Balmer - "It helps groups to raise money for their programs. I look forward to becoming a guide in the children's barnyard."

Jay Gainer - "I learned to lose since I didn't win in the tractor driving contest."

Randy Stoltzfus - "The farm show probably isn't what it could be but I think it served a purpose. It did show people that agriculture is still a vital part of their own life."

From this personalized accounts you will note that there seems to be a hint that there are many people behind the scenes. Let me give you a run down of these people and their efforts. Keep in mind that I will only be mentioning those that I or the boys have direct contact with. Kunzler and Company, Manheim National Bank, John Henry Brubaker, Chemgro Fertilizer Co., Ruhl's Insurance Co., Frank Feliongo, Emerson Knight, Groff Home Dressed Meats, Walter Heistand, L. W. Kulp, Bomberger's Store, Fulton National Bank, New Holland Sales Stables, Spring City, Walter Dunlap, Abe Mumma, Tom McCoy, Kunzler and Co., J. M. Hooper, Joe Lefever, Elmer Murry Associates, Ken Miller, Jay Ober, Warren Spickler, Messick Farm Equipment, Lancaster Ford Tractor, Shotzberger John Deere, Roy Brubaker, Mr. and Mrs. Barry Heldeman, and Mr. and Mrs. Mark Nestleroth with Dale Nolt in charge of swine, Carl Longenecker, Mr. and Mrs.

Paul Good in charge of beef and John Shelly and Mrs. Bob Kauffman in charge of the dairy show.

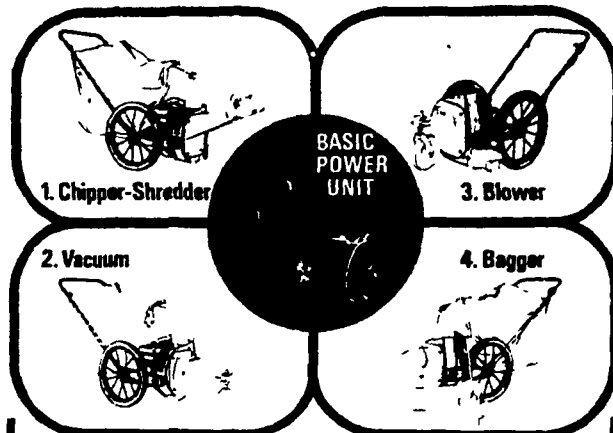
For the second year the Manheim FFA students have planned and prepared the tent just for the young people in the community. "The Children's Barnyard was made up of young farm animals for the enjoyment of the children. However we should not forget to mention that we put into practice our slogan "learning by doing". Forty students acted as guides and put on demonstrations which helped the children understand what life on a farm is like.

Those that helped us by supplying animals included: Mr. and Mrs. John Christensen, pony, Daniel Rohrer, baby beef, Jim

Kettering, sow and litter; Robert Ginder, Holstein calf; Dean Zeigler, rabbits; Robert Hershey, duck; Babcock Hatchery, baby chicks; Luke Peters, goats; Dale Martin, sheep and FFA members, steers, cows and calves.

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