

Sheep Breeders Hold Elections

Clun Forest sheep breeders from Canada and the United States took decisive action to retain the breed's high productivity during their first continental meeting held in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania recently. Members agreed unanimously to sell only rams for breeding purposes which were born twins, triplets or better. Clun Forest sheep which have been imported only recently from England into North America are noted for their high rate of twinning and their ability to raise fast growing lambs. In Britain the average lamb crop for Cluns is 173 lambs weaned per 100 ewes. Members not present at the meeting in Harrisburg were polled by telephone and also gave enthusiastic consent to the policy.

Joseph L. Lavieri of Winsted, Connecticut was elected president of the association. R.A.K. "Tony" Turner of St. Pauls, Nova Scotia is vice president, and Mrs. Warn G. Menhennett of Cochranville, Pennsylvania

will serve as secretary-treasurer. The association now has members in Connecticut, Iowa, New York, Pennsylvania, Washington and Nova Scotia.

Turner, who imported the first Cluns into Canada, spoke to the group about the Clun ewes' exceptional mothering ability. He urged the association to promote Cluns as the "brood ewe breed." "Most people think it is the slenderness of the Clun's head that enables the ewe to lamb without assistance," Turner said, "but in reality it is the Clun's wide pelvic structure."

The secretary of the association has begun issuing registration certificates and keeping pedigree records. Life membership in the association is \$50, annual memberships \$5. Life memberships received by the secretary before December 31, 1975 will be considered charter memberships and appropriate certificates will be issued.

Thomasville 4-H Club Holds Awards Program

Achievement Night of the Thomasville 4-H Community Club was held recently at the 4-H Center near Bairs. Awards were presented and movies were shown by Mrs. James Welsh of 4-H meetings and demonstrations.

Chris Kulynych presented a reading "What 4-H means to Me", and gave the blessing for the covered dish affair.

Honored guests were Mr. and Mrs. John Thatcher of Pleasant View Greenhouses, Inc.

4-H members receiving plaques were: Rifle-Jack Parr, Sewing-Chris Kulynych, Horse-Katherine, Dairy-Jonathan Myers, Tractor-Tim Eisenhart, Health-Tommy Welsh, Poultry-Paul Myers III,

Candlemaking-Martha Uhl, Horticulture-Bonnie Wire, Handyman-Roy Thompson, Knitting-Tammy Barnhart, Leathercraft-Gary Welsh, Agriculture-Jeff Roth, Rabbit-James Roth, Crochet-Sandra Hoke. Receiving pins were: Susan Kulynych, Teresa Roser, Nancy Eisenhart, Brenda and Tammy Wetzel. High cookie salesmen, 1st Kelly Rentzel \$5.00, 2nd Bonnie Wire \$3.00, 3rd Tim Eisenhart \$2.00.

Member ID cards, and pins were given to all members of the club for the past year.

Roxanne Shermeyer of the Extension Service led the song for the Friendship circle that concluded the evening.

Penn Willow 4-H Club

The monthly meeting of the Penn Willow 4-H Club was recently held at the Conestoga Elementary School. This year, it was decided to have a talent show.

Anyone who wanted to do something in the talent show was welcome to participate. In the show there were piano solos, humorous skits, duets, and there even was a magic show.

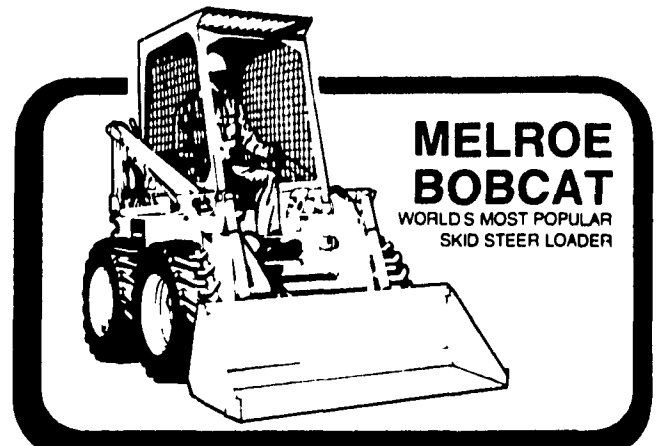
All of these are things that are usually seen at a talent show. So, the surprise event of the evening was when a number of the leaders were called on to show some of their talent.

The leaders did exercises, drank soda out of baby bottles, recited or sang and created hats out of odds and ends. They were judged in five categories: most poised, Mrs. Margo Martin; most humorous, Mrs. Doris Warfel; most talented, Mrs. Linda Stekervetz; most physically fit, Mrs. Darla Kreider; and most creative,

Mrs. Helen Martin. The winners were presented with a ribbon and a prize suitable to their category.

Each member that participated in the show was given a sign for their help. The next meeting will be

on December 20, 1974. At this meeting, the older members of the club will go Christmas Caroling and then return to the Conestoga Elementary School for a Christmas party with the younger members of the club.



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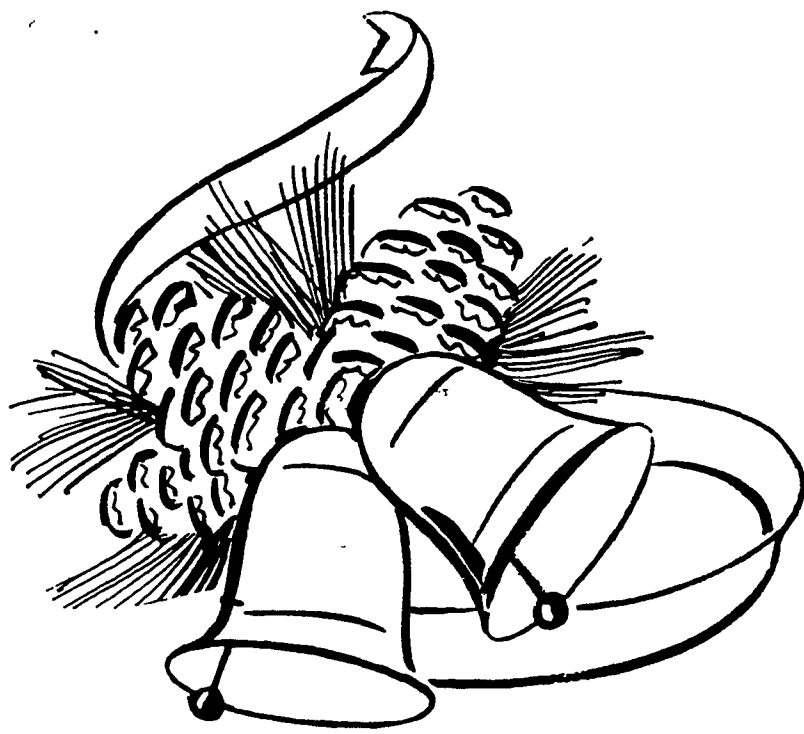
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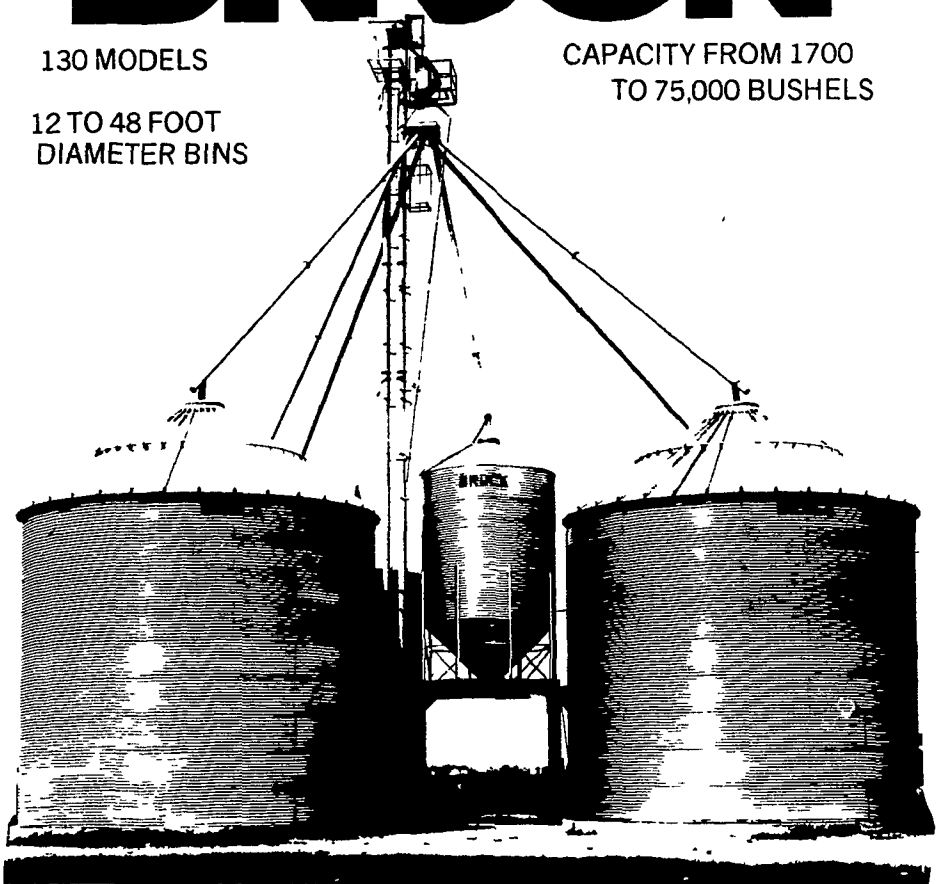
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