

FFA Member

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conference in Washington, D. C.

Although Ron resides on a large dairy farm with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Noah Kreider, Jr., at Manheim R5, Ron explained that his main project has been in raising market hogs.

When he first began his operation he had five hogs but since then has taken on about 200 animals raising them to about 250 pounds then selling them at the area stockyards. Ron keeps several dairy animals for himself also.

A member of the Red Rose 4-H Baby Beef and Lamb Club, Ron has taken steer projects. He has shown his steer at the Manheim fair capturing grand champion honors and has exhibited at several 4-H shows. Ron has also been a member of the E-town-Donnegal 4-H Community Club and has raised capons for project work.

A member of the Mt. Joy Mennonite Church youth group, Ron participates in many of the club's activities

and has also been in drama productions at the Manheim school.

Ron has received his chapter and county FFA degrees and is hoping to obtain his Keystone Farming degree in the future.

Although his many activities have kept him busy, Ron explained that he has enjoyed his FFA work and activities.

"FFA helps you to gain a sense of responsibility," he stated.

"It gives you a chance to develop your own abilities."

Ron's plans for the future are not definite yet, although he would like to continue with this farming work, perhaps helping in the dairy operation.

"I feel that the farming situation just has to get better," he stated. "People need food and someone has to provide it."

For most young people, farming may not seem to be the perfect profession, yet Ron, like many other young FFA'ers are deciding to give it a try.



One of Ron's latest projects has been constructing a step ladder for farm use. Like many other FFA members, Ron spends a lot of time working in the ag shop at the Manheim Central High School.

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State Lists Vacancies in Forestry Jobs

The State Civil Service Commission is currently accepting applications for forest lookout and forest patrolman to fill about 175 vacancies in the Bureau of Forestry of the Department of Environmental Resources.

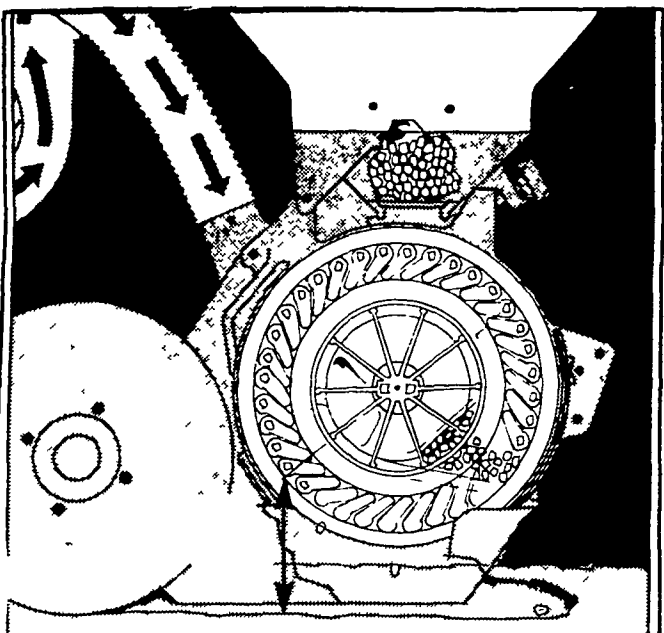
Forest lookouts and forest patrolmen are hired during the dry periods, usually from mid-March through May and from mid-October through the first snowfall. Approximately 45 vacancies for forest lookouts and about 130 openings for forest patrolmen exist throughout the Commonwealth. Approximately half of these positions will be filled by forest lookouts and patrolmen placed on leave of absence following the previous fire season.

Applications for forest lookout and patrolman will be accepted continuously

and lists of eligible applicants established periodically. A written test is not required for the positions. Candidates will be rated on their education and experience as reported on the civil service application.

Applicants must be Pennsylvania residents and must have completed the eighth grade. No experience is required for forest lookout; those applying for forest patrolman must have had three months of forest fire work experience. Candidates for forest patrolman must also have a valid driver's license.

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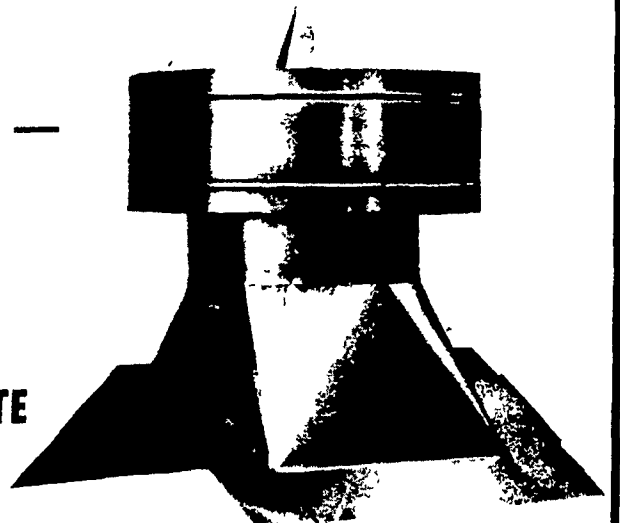
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