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On March 21, 1925, Horace Miller reported to Landis Brothers, a farm implement dealership in Lançaster. aigning on for a one-day job as a laborer. Miller overstayed his original contract by half-a-century and is today president of the cor-poration that grew out of the family business that hired him. Miller's friends and coworkers recently hosted a suprise party to honor him for his 50-year career in the farm equipment business.

In a conversation with Lancaster Farming, Miller recalled that when he first started with the company, they sold mostly horsedrawn implements with steel

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Another big change that Miller has seen has been the switch to self-propelled units like combines and forage harvesters. In recent years, he noted, supplies of farm equipment have been tighter than at any other time ex-cept during the war. The big change in marketing recently has been the allotment system imposed upon dealers by manufac-

In 1953, the firm moved from its old headquarters

over the old center city Northern Market to its present facilities at 1305 Manheim Pike. The business was incorporated in 1960

a mechanic in the shop. **Entries Due for Sewing Contest**

will begin immediately after the close of the contest and

Entry blanks may be obtained from women's

will be completed by mid-May. Judging in the state competition is scheduled for May 29. Winning entries in the state competition will be eligible for the national contest judging in June.

with Miller as president.

Although he's now three

years past the retirement age of 65, Miller said he doesn't plan to retire. Nor does he show any indications of slowing up. He works daily in the nests denominant the

in the parts department, the office and the shop, and is sometimes on the road. Miller and his wife, Erma, have two sons and one

daughter. The daughter lives

with her husband in Key West, Florida. Their son Richard is the bookkeeper

and secretary-treasurer for

Landis Brothers, and the

other son, Charles, works as

activities chairmen of local Granges, Mrs. Hoover said. The contest is open to Grange members and nonmembers who are sponsored by Grangers, she added.

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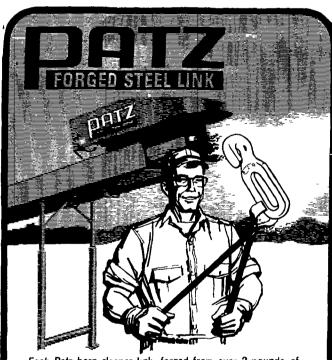
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of milk and 701 pounds of fat, in 305 days. Stone House Nances Cindy a seven year old, produced 14,930 pounds of milk and 657 pounds of fat, in 305 days.

Harrisburg -- The Pennsylvania State Grange today warned that April 30 is the deadline for submitting entries in the 1975 Grange sewing contest.

More than 2,000 entries are expected this year, according to Mrs. Leroy Hoover, of Roaring Spring, director of women's activities for the state Grange. Among entries already received is one from a 14year-old boy, Mrs. Hoover

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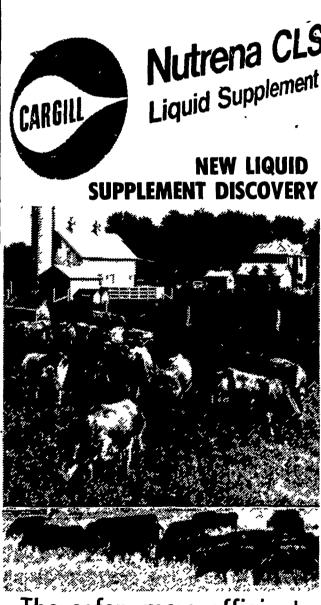
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