

Berks Co. Society 1

The May meeting of the Society of Farm Women No. 1 was held at The Pikeville Sportsmen Club where members enjoyed the 35th Anniversary dinner. Twenty-three members attended. Roll call was answered by members telling where they were born, followed by reading of the minutes of the March and April meetings. The Sales Committee reported two sales. Help and baked goods etc. will be needed at both.

A thank you note was received from Berks Heim for the wheelchair purchased for their use and also the cookies furnished for the Volunteers Tea and the help given at the bingo party.

Help will also be needed at the Waffle Stand on Open House Day at Berks Heim on June 8.

Four members were appointed to plan and make a 12 x 12 inch patch for a Centennial quilt.

Donations were made to Hamburg State School to send a child to camp for one week, to the 4-H Development Fund and a birthday gift to a blind girl in the community, and also if the

need arises the group will pay for the renting of sewing machines for the local 4-H group sewing class.

Group 11 has been organized in the county. It has been the custom of the group to purchase a flag set for new groups being organized.

As there was no other business the meeting was adjourned. Next meeting will be held at the home of Grace Schaeffer.

Pearl Levengood
Secretary

Society 8

The monthly meeting of Farm Women Society 8 was held at the home of Mrs. Barbara Kintzer, Shartlesville. The hostess read Psalms 100.

Before the meeting was started the guest speaker David Bardor, Attorney at Law gave an interesting discussion on wills. His topic was on "Being of Sound Mind and Body."

LaVerne Balthoser conducted the business meeting with reports being given by committee chairpersons.

A motion was made to contribute \$20 to the scholarship funds at each of the Tulpehocken Area Schools and also the Ham-

burg Area School. The society is sending two children from the Hamburg State School to camp this summer.

The next meeting will be May 27 in the form of a progressive dinner.

Farm Women Calendar

Tuesday, May 27
Farm Women Society 27 meeting at 7:30 p.m. for a safety program.

Wednesday, May 28
Farm Women Society 24 meeting and Theatre party.

Thursday, May 29
Farm Women Society 11 meeting 1:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 31
Farm Women Society 5 meeting at 1:30 p.m.
Farm Women Society 4 meeting at 1:30 p.m. at the Hempfield Senior High School.

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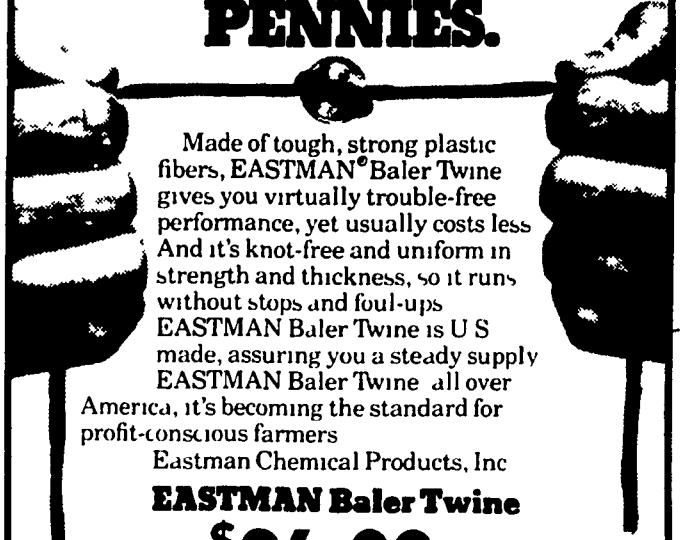
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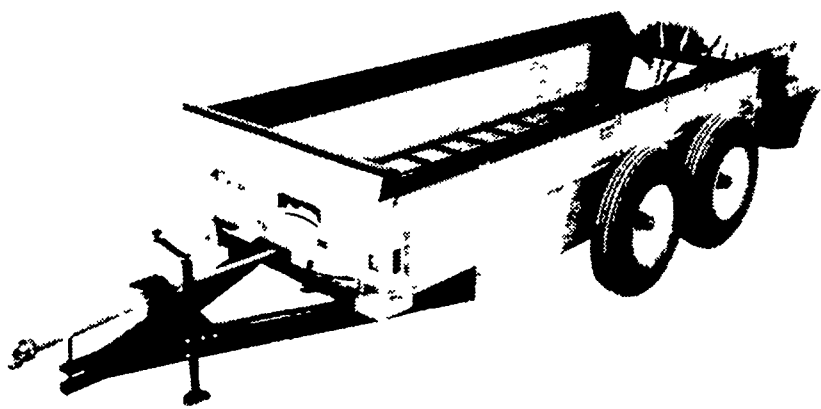
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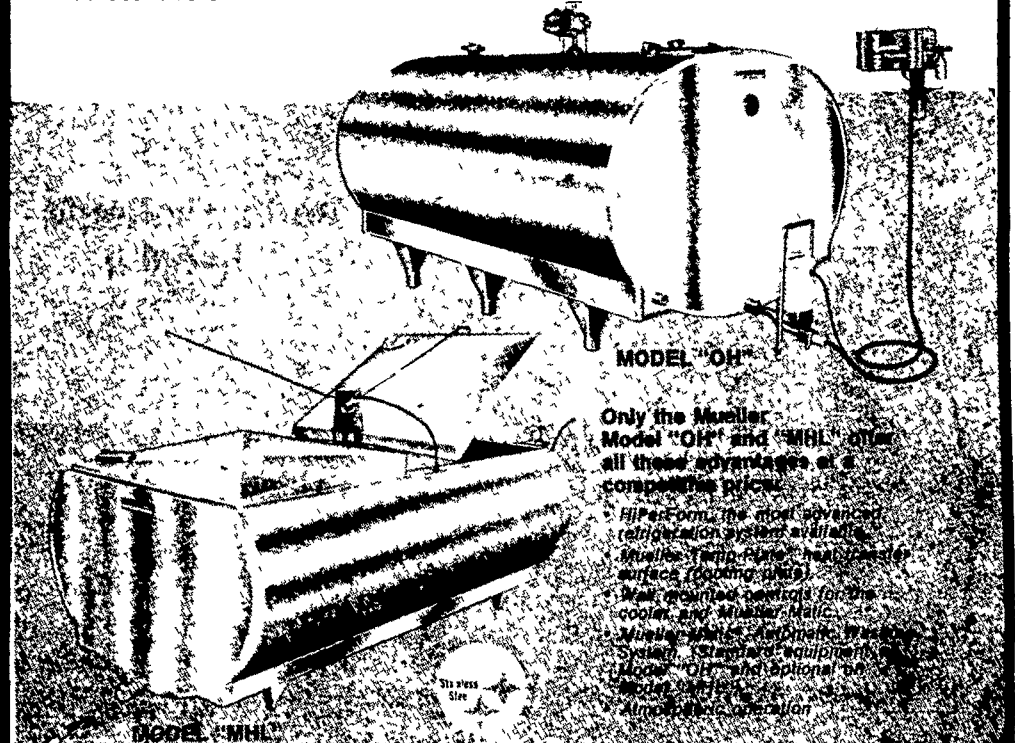
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