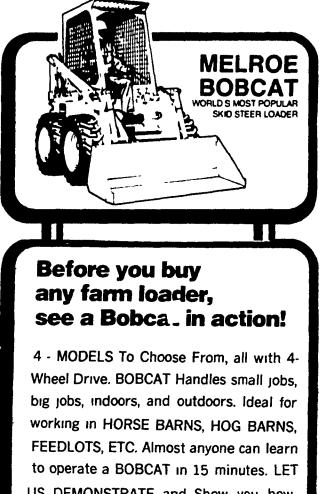
60-Lancaster Farming, Saturday, July 12, 1975

Lincoln 4-Her

Susan Martin, Ridge Ave., Sewing Club, Susan spoke on during the annual 4-H Day held recently in Lancaster County. A member of the Lincoln

Ephrata, R3, won a blue how 4-H contributes to ribbon for her talk on 4-H personal development. personal development. Suman will be attending the State 4-H Days later in the summer to give her talk at statewide level.



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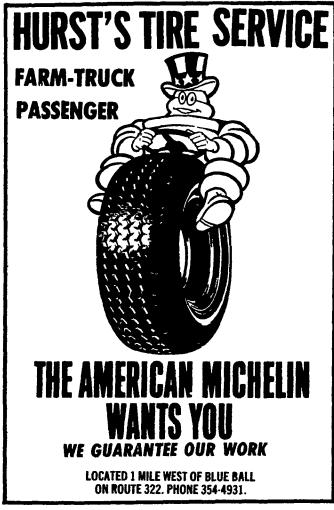
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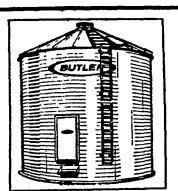
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And so the stream passes on, picking up beneficial and harmful materials and trying to maintain a balance which will support life. Some streams are successful and others become open sewers devoid of life and a blight to landscape.

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soil erosion which is a major contributor to stream pollution, and helps in making land use decisions based the suitability and limitations of the soil. This assistance is available to individual landowners, groups of landowners and governmental agencies for the asking. But there are things that everyone can do using just a little common sense. Disposing of your litter in an approved manner, and avoiding disposal of any chemicals directly into Help is available to you streams are just two technical advice available





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