

FFA members - chapters receive

LANCASTER - Several FFA members and their advisors took to the road or air, whatever the case may be, last week travelling halfway across the country to attend the National FFA convention held in Kansas City.

Some of the members went to receive awards for their chapters while others attended the conference to collect personal awards they had won. And a handful, representing the entire state, went to judge in various contests connected with the event.

One such young lady was Vicki Bair, a 1975 graduate of the Mt. Joy Vo-tech school. Vicki had been enrolled in the floriculture program and represented the "Plants Unlimited" Chapter of FFA. Judging in the national horticulture competition, Vicki won a gold medal for her efforts and helped place the Pa. state team in a high ranking

seventh place. Forty states participated in the horticulture judging event.

Ron Martin, an Ephrata area youth, representing the Cloister FFA, was also in Kansas City to judge on the milk products team. The youth placed in the silver medal category and helped the Pa. team win a bronze medal placing. Also on the same team was Warren Schmuck, Solanco, who was awarded a bronze emblem for his individual efforts.

Another individual award was presented to Jeffrey Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl S. Miller, Kutztown R3. Jeff was presented the Eastern Region Crop production proficiency award for his work in raising crops for cash and his family's dairy herd.

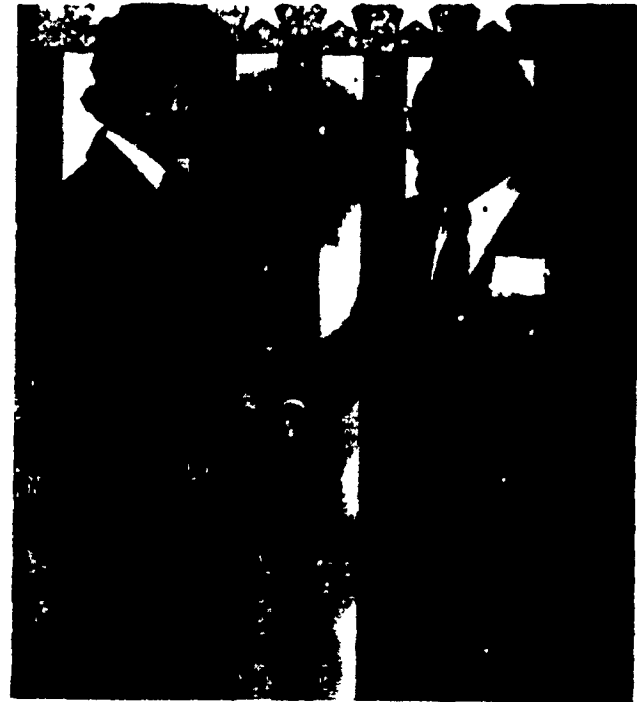
Another Ephrata youth, James Fepel, won the Eastern Region FFA agricultural mechanics award. Fepel, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin

Fepel, Ephrata R2, was selected for his work in agricultural construction and small engines.

Receive Safety Awards
Two area schools were recipients of FFA chapter safety awards during the national convention. Ephrata's Cloister Chapter received special recognition for their work in safety surveys, equipment inspections and hunter safety programs. The award was presented by Charles Furr, district sales manager for agricultural products, Dow Chemical USA of Kansas City.

Members of the Northern Lebanon FFA Chapter were also on hand to receive a similar award from the Dow Chemical representative.

The Pa. livestock judging team received a bronze medal for their judging abilities. Doug Reisinger, Penn Manor and Galen Long, also of the area High school were included on that team. Reisinger, received a silver emblem while Long received a bronze. Robert Lauver, Fredericksburg, the third team member was awarded a bronze medal also.



James C. Fepel, 19, of Ephrata is congratulated by Mr. Donald McDowell, Executive Director of the National FFA Foundation Sponsoring Committee, at the National FFA Convention in Kansas City, Missouri. James was the eastern regional winner in the FFA Agricultural Mechanics Proficiency Award program sponsored by International Harvester as a special project of the National FFA Foundation, Inc. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin B. Fepel.



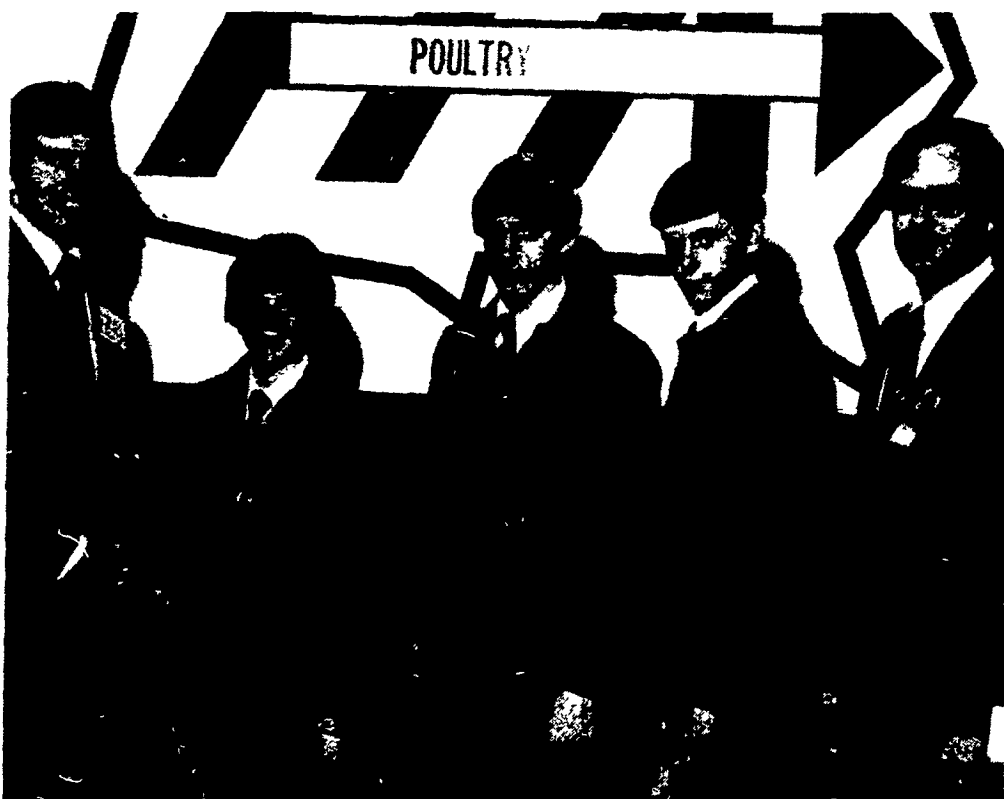
Vicki Bair, a graduate of Mt. Joy Vo-tech, won a gold medal for her individual placing in the horticulture judging contest held during the national convention in Kansas City.



Alpha Trivette (left) National President of the Future Farmers of America presents the American Farmer Degree to Richard A. Kurtz of Elverson. The American Farmer Degree is the highest degree of membership in the FFA.



Alpha Trivette (left) National President of the Future Farmers of America presents the American Farmer Degree to Frank P. Stoltzfus of Elverson R2, at the recently held national convention.



Members of the Pennsylvania FFA State Poultry Team were greeted in Kansas City by (left to right) Mr. Dennis Sargent, Assistant Executive Director, National FFA Foundation, Inc., Madison, Wisconsin. The team was one of 34 FFA State Poultry teams participating in the National FFA Poultry Contest at the National FFA Convention in Kansas City, Missouri. Team members (left to right) Steve Strauss, John Weiler, and Robert Bachman were accompanied by their Advisor-Coach (far right) Ernest Orr of Ephrata H.S.

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