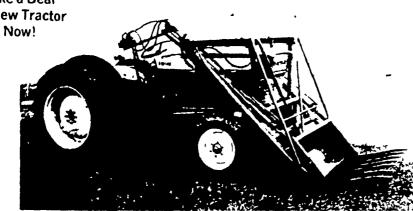
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York Countians dominate 5-Acre Corn Club awards

HARRISBURG — State corn growers who produced the highest yields in the machine and hand harvest divisions of the 1975 Pennsylvania 5-Acre Corn Club were honored here today at the 60th Farm Show.

Dr. Joseph H. McGahen, Penn State Extension agronomist, announced the winners. Sponsor of the program is the Pennsylvania Master Corn Growers Association and the Penn State Extension Service.

Winner of the shelled grain harvested class was Wayne McCullough, of R2, Sharpsville, Mercer County, with a yield of 195.6 bushels per acre.

In the ear corn harvested class, James E. Quesenberry, of R1, Stewartstown, York County, was declared 182.7 bushels per acre.

Lester Luckenbaugh, of R1, Spring Grove, York County, was named corn growing champion in the shelled grain harvested class over a three-year period. His average yield during the three years was 163.7 bushels per acre.

Tri-champions were declared in the ear corn harvested class over a threeyear period. They are Russell Megargee, of 502 Welsh Road, Horsham, Montgomery County, 161.6 bushels per acre; Leroy Bupp, of RD, Seven Valley, York County, 161.3 bushels; and Bruce Bivens, of Big Cove Tannery, Fulton County, 160.4 bushels.

Second place in the 1975 shelled grain harvested class was won by Eugene Kilgore, of R1, Airville, York County, with a yield of 185.9 bushels

champion with a yield of per acre; and Lester Luckenbaugh, of R1, Spring Grove; and Joseph Stump, of R10, York, tied for third with 175.1 and 174.3 bushels per acre respectively.

George Stambaugh, of R1, Newville, Cumberland County, placed second in the ear corn harvested class with 174.3 bushels per acre. In the same class, Herman Espy, of Spruce Creek, Huntingdon County, and Roscoe Greenwalt, of R1, Middletown, Dauphin County, tied for third with averages of 168 and 166.4 bushels.

James McCullough, of R2, Sharpsville, placed second in the shelled grain harvested class over a three-year period with 157.7 bushels per acre; and Richard Luckenbaugh, of R1, Spring Grove, was third with 151.6 bushels per acre.

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FFA booths judged

HARRISBURG — A Third place went to Lehigh colorful review of County AVTS FFA Chapter FFA Window Exhibit the leaner hogs of 1976. Competition at the Farm Show. The exhibit compared the methods of seed bed preparation, planting, harvesting and storage in 1776 as compared to 1976.

Second place went to the Central Columbia FFA for their exhibit entitled, "FFA Helps Make Change." This exhibit showed the advances of the farmer from the use of hand tools to the modern use of electrical and portable power tools.

agriculture entitled with their exhibit called, "American Agriculture" "200 Years - Better gave the Blue Mountain FFA Livestock," comparing the Chapter first place in the fatty type of hogs of 1776 with

> Other FFA Chapters competing were: Eastern Northampton AVTS, Easton, Northampton County; Kutztown Area FFA, Kutztown, Berks County; Berlin Brothersvalley FFA, Berlin, Somerset County; Somerset Area FFA, Somerset, Somerset County; Tri-Valley FFA, Hegins, Schuylkill County; and Penns Valley Area FFA, Spring Mills, Centra County.

Farms down 1 pct.

earlier, 14 percent below the and 71,000 in 1974. 1966 total - and the lowest since 1870 when 2,659,985 were reported.

Meanwhile, land in farms. at 1.085 billion acres, is down only two-tenth of one percent from a year earlier, four percent below the 1966 total. Average size of farms is seen at 389 acres, up from 387 acres in 1975 and 348 acres in 1966, according to USDA.

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