

# April 7 to be Pa. 'Food Day'

HARRISBURG - The Commonwealth's leadership in agriculture will be stressed at the Pennsylvania Food Day Panorama, a full day of workshops and speeches scheduled for April 7 at the Penn Harris Motor Inn, Camp Hill.

Gov. Milton J. Shapp, expected to address the session, has proclaimed the Food Day observance as a "day to act on the world food crisis."

National Food Day, to be observed the following day, in recent years has focused on the problems of matching food production and distribution with the geometrical growth rate of the world's population.

The observance in the Commonwealth, according to the Governor's proclamation, will stress Pennsylvania's status "as a keystone to our nation's agricultural heritage and leadership." An important point to realize, according to the proclamation, is "that no one segment of agriculture - food production, marketing and distribution, and consumer education and outreach - can live alone."

This triple theme will be reflected in three distinct exhibit and workshop areas that will be set up in the Penn Harris Motel's convention room. The observance will begin at 10 a.m., with speakers to be featured at the opening session, the luncheon session and at the banquet beginning at 6 p.m.

Agriculture Secretary Raymond J. Kerstetter and Dr. Thomas King, associate dean of Penn State's College of Agriculture, will welcome the gathering at the morning session. Mrs. Patricia Young, chairperson of the National Council of Churches Crusade Against Hunger, will deliver the charge to the conference.

The luncheon session will have as featured speaker Donald Kimmel, the North American representative of

the UN's Food and Agriculture Organization. Dean Carey, president of Knouse Foods Cooperative, will be the session coordinator.

A midafternoon session, beginning at 3 p.m., will be coordinated by Rodney Leonard, executive director of the Community Nutrition Institute, and will be addressed by Dr. Thomas Patrick Melady, executive vice president of St. Joseph's College.

Kerstetter will coordinate the banquet session at which Sen. Dick Clark of Iowa will be the main speaker.

At the workshops interspersed throughout the day, the producer part of the program will be represented by the Pennsylvania Grange, the Pennsylvania Farmers Association, the Pennsylvania Farmers Union and Penn State's Extension Service. The dairy industry and a discussion on how to help farmers market their products will be highlighted at this session.

The food marketing and distribution part of the program will have James Toothman, Penn State extension specialist give an economic overview of food marketing. John McNelis, executive secretary of the Pennsylvania Grocers Association, will moderate a panel discussion.

At the consumer education and outreach section, four speakers are on the program: Mrs. Tamazine Kinneman, Penn State extension, "An Overview of Basic Nutritional Needs"; Dr. William Baumgardt, Penn State Dairy and Animal Science Department, "Animal Protein versus Vegetable Protein"; Edward Thum, National Livestock and Meat Board, "Meat Grading and Labelling"; and Ms. Jane Kinderlecher, Rodale Press, "How to Make Your Family Healthy When They Are Not Looking."

# 'Little International' at PSU next week

The third Invitational Livestock Judging Contest at Penn State will be Saturday, April 10, at the Beef and Sheep Center. Registration for 4-H and FFA teams, and Penn State students, will begin at 8:45 a.m. and judging will get underway at 9:30 a.m.

The judging is the first event in the 59th Little International Livestock Exposition to be climaxed with "Show Day" on April 24 at University Park. The Exposition is sponsored by the Penn State Block and Bridle Club.

The April 10 contest will feature junior, collegiate amateur, and collegiate professional divisions. Members of 4-H and FFA teams from throughout the state will compete in the junior division. The amateur and professional divisions are open to Penn State students. "Professionals" are students currently enrolled in a course directed toward judging and preparing a judging team for intercollegiate competition.

Awards will be given for the high scoring teams in the junior division and high individuals in all three divisions.

Terry Stockdale of Dayton, a senior in animal science, and Dan Baum of Elizabethtown, a sophomore in animal industries, are co-chairmen for the Invitational Livestock Judging Contest. Four group leaders will assist with the contest and see that it is run as closely to a regulation contest as possible. The leaders are Gary Dean of Strasburg, Warren Fick of West Chester, Margaret "Debbie" Moore of DuBois, and Mike Sekerak of Corry. The faculty advisor is Glenn R. Kean, professor of animal science.

April 24th will be the high point of this year's Little International. "Show Day"

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events will be held at the Ice Pavilion at University Park, starting at 8 a.m. Beef cattle, horses, sheep, and swine — that Penn State students worked weeks to groom and train — will be shown. Prizes will be given for outstanding performances in fitting and showmanship.

Honored during the April 24 Exposition will be Herbert M. Gans of Uniontown, retired Pennsylvania Master Farmer. Gans is the 1976 recipient of the Distinguished Alumnus Award of the Department of Dairy and Animal Science at Penn State.

During his 46 years of

farming, Gans bred and developed the herd of Ebonite Holsteins which, under his management, qualified for the Progressive Breeder's Award 14 consecutive years. He was a member of the first bull improvement association in Fayette County, served as director of the South Western Artificial Breeding Association, and served on the Association's Holstein Sire Selection Committee.

One of his most significant honors was being named a Master Farmer of Pennsylvania in 1937. In 1964 he sold the herd of Holsteins that he had developed over

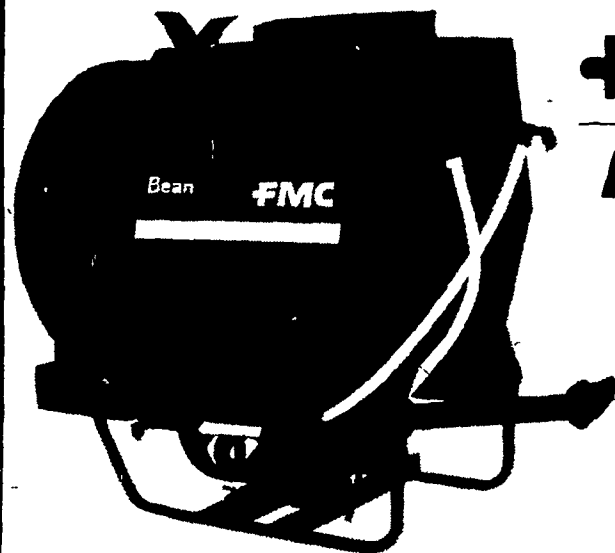
the previous 37 years and assembled a herd of Polled Herefords. During the eight years before retiring, Mr. Gans established himself as a progressive breeder of Polled Herefords and did quite well in the show ring at various fairs.

Gans graduated from Penn State in 1926 with a bachelor of science degree in animal husbandry. He then entered Ohio State University and earned a master's degree in animal science in 1927. He returned to the home farm in the Fall of 1927 and entered into a partnership with his father. He retired in 1973.

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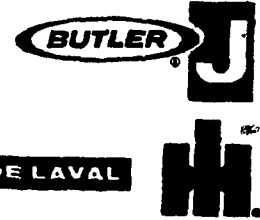
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