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One of the nation's outstanding spokesmen for agriculture, Henry Holloway, right, looks over some of his beef cattle with four-year old son, Andy, and brother, Richard. The Holloways farm approximately 700 acres in partnership and produce beef cattle and hogs. The ag spokesman has made numerous TV appearances and has been the subject of many newspaper stories.

## Farmers' story being publicized

By DIETER KRIEG  
DARLINGTON, Md. — Henry Holloway has been on a whole bunch of TV shows, has made headlines in newspapers, and confronted both consumer groups and union leaders. But he hasn't done all that because he likes the limelight, but rather because he wants non-farmers to know about agriculture.

It all started three years ago when a group of women who called themselves "Housewives Against Rising Prices" started to capture some publicity with their remarks about rising meat prices.

Holloway, who in partnership with his brother, Richard, raises hogs and beef cattle, didn't think the ladies from Fallston had all the facts, so he decided to call up the leader of the pack and attempt to straighten her out.

To his surprise, the lady invited him out to their next meeting so he could tell his side of the story.

A likeable fellow with an innate sense of humor, Holloway recalls how he became a little nervous about what he had gotten himself into.

"So I thought of the biggest farmer I could think of, both physically and otherwise, to help me out," the witty farmer said. That was Lawrason Sayre, an engineer turned farmer

whom Holloway describes as a big fellow who excelled athletically and academically at Yale. Together they confronted the 75 women who were looking for someone to blame for

high prices. They were in for some surprises. Cameramen from a Baltimore TV station were there to record the activity for a newscast.

Holloway told the group to

come down to an "honest-to-goodness farm, instead of sitting around in a development."

The ladies accepted the invitation and came to Holloway's property where

they were taken on a tour and given a thorough explanation of what's involved in producing beef and pork. Again, to his surprise, the ladies didn't come by themselves — they were

accompanied by TV cameramen, more housewives, and children. All this eventually snowballed until Holloway was making headlines in the papers and invited to make TV appearances in Baltimore. At one point he was even in attendance at a meat cutters' union meeting.

"That was really something," the trim farmer recollected. "They had body guards all over the place, and cars were checked for bombs — it gave you a funny feeling."

Prior to each TV ap-

## Hospital farms controversial

Editor's Note: More than 6400 acres of farm land currently operated by eight state hospitals may be up for grabs in the coming months because the Welfare Department claims the farms are losing money. The

issue is creating somewhat of a controversy and was the subject of a symposium held in Harrisburg last Tuesday. Pennsylvania Agriculture Secretary Raymond Kerstetter, Grange legislative chairman Charles Wismer

Jr., and State Representative Kenneth Brandt, among others, made their opinions known at the day-long meeting. Following are summaries of statements made by Kerstetter and Wismer and remarks made

by Brandt in a telephone interview with this newspaper.

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## Dairy judges win state event

By MELISSA PIPER  
LANCASTER — Cloister FFA members, representing Ephrata High School, captured three top place awards in the State Invitational Dairy Judging

Contest held earlier this month, at Penn State. Cloister's B Team scored a total of 1,561 points to top the field of 39 teams from all across the Commonwealth. Members of the first place

team were Bob Fox, Linford Frey, Kevin Smoker and Mark Weiler.

Third place honors went to Cloister's A team with members John Weiler, Curtis Martin, Cliff Martin

and Cheryl Bollinger competing. Fourth place in the contest was also won by a Cloister Team. The "C" team consisted of Larry

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## Milk jugger tells his story

By DIETER KRIEG  
CAMPBELLTOWN — "Farming is one business — working with the public that's another," Marlin Hitz began, as he was about to reveal many of the hurdles he encountered prior to his

family going into the milk "jugging" market.

"I never realized there could be so much red tape, so many regulations, and so many inspections," he continued. Preparations,

including zoning, take about a year and all permits have to be approved before a shovel of ground can be turned. "The government is not in any hurry," Hitz remarked. He has seven licenses on display in the

dairy store and a few others elsewhere.

One of those licenses is for food handling which is required in his case since his "Dol-Mar Dairy Store" dips

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