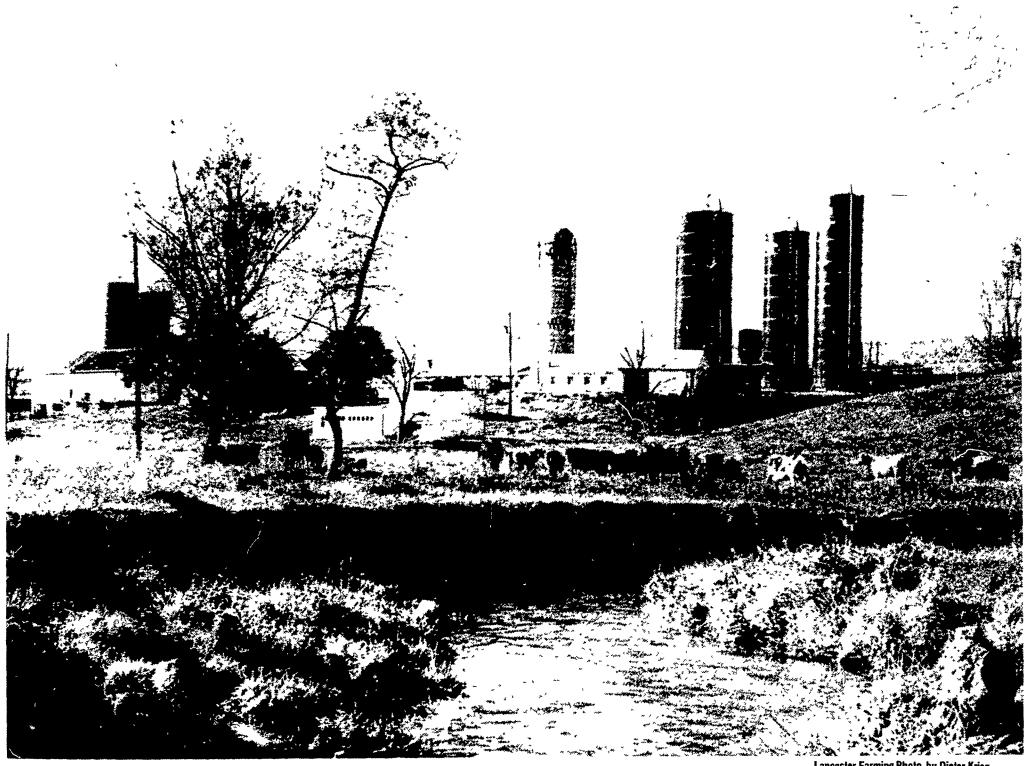
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Summertime peace and beauty on a Berks County farm near Kutztown

Lancaster Farming Photo by Dieter Krieg

Lancaster County agriculture excels

By DIETER KRIEG

LANCASTER — If there were an Olympics for agriculture, Lancaster County would come away with a bushelful of gold medals. Last year, for example, farmers from the renowned Garden Spot ranked first in 11 of 19 production categories and they produced a whopping \$335 million worth of agricultural goods.

Among the first-place rankings scored by Lancaster County are livestock, poultry and poultry products, dairy products, cattle, calves and hogs. In figures released by the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service, crop values for Lancaster County dropped last year due to lower yields and lower paying prices. Still, the 67 for additional details on overall value of Lancaster the Southern Lancaster

cool \$84,439,000.

In livestock production, be nearly \$251 million. Dairy Lancaster County farmers cows increased from 73,500 came out ahead of figures for in 1974 to 81,200 last year, the preceding year, largely and the value of dairy due to higher prices and products jumped about \$11 not just in Lancaster County,

County's farm crops was a increased numbers. The million to \$83,375,000. There but in many total value was estimated to are 1975 dairy farms in Lancaster County. Similar increases were recorded elsewhere on the farm — and

throughout the state. Increases in number and

value were also recorded in **Lancaster County for poultry** broilers and hogs. A

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Another fair season starting

fair season begins this coming week when the 27th annual fair in Quarryville opens its show rings and exhibit halls on Wednesday. With a third new building on hand to supplement the two which were built last year, the affair is expected to be even bigger and better than ever before.

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Another Lancaster County Community Fair, which is unrivalled as the biggest in the area.

Lancaster County's agriculture will be en-

thusiastically displayed at one indicates. Lancaster can rightfully "show off" as the article just above this

the upcoming fairs, and County is one of the most there's a lot these farmers productive of all counties in

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Exclusive weather service considered

QUARRYVILLE - Lan- Robert

Walker, caster County may receive a Republican candidate for special weather forecasting Congress, from the 16th service for farmers, District and Noah W. beginning early next year, it Wenger, Republican canwas reported recently in a didate for the State joint statement issued by Legislature in the 99th

Legislative District. The two made the announcement at the Lancaster County Farmers Association picnic, held here last month at the fairgrounds.

In having chosen Lan-

caster County as the site for this unique service, officials in Washington went with the nations's No. 1 agricultural county among those which

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