

# Nixnutz's Corral

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"All the news that's unimportant, but still interesting"



## A nomination

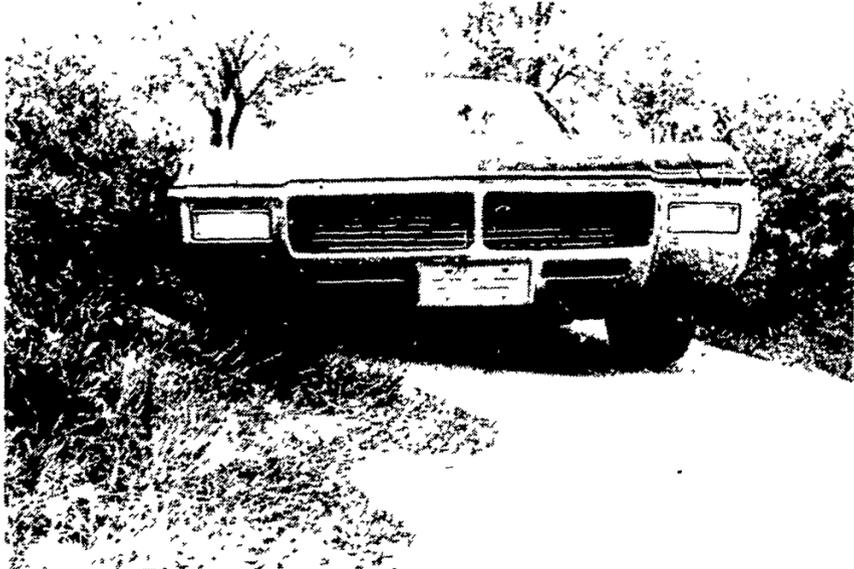
At the Pennsylvania dairy princess pageant, held last month in Camp Hill, it was pointed out that dairy princesses from 40 of Pennsylvania's 67 counties were represented. What about the other 27 counties?

If there aren't any qualified girls up that way, yours truly has a suggestion. It would be especially appropriate since the gals are invading the guys' domain and everything is being mixed up anyway. There's a fellow at one of Pennsylvania's milk cooperatives who ain't too bad lookin' and he's rather talented as a guitar strummer, impersonator of Daniel Boone, and possibly also Pat Boone. What's more, he really and truly believes in milk. Sounds to me, folks, like he's a natural for the job.

## Trading holes

Some folks around Leola, Lancaster County, have given up on the highway people fixing a road that badly needs repairs. So the community took up a collection and tackled the ribbon of potholes themselves.

So they've now traded holes in the road for holes in their checkbooks which might sound like they have holes in their heads. But the whole story is that they've made the stretch



"Peace Road" the sign says, but "Pothole Path" might be a more appropriate name. It's a stretch of road near Leola in Lancaster County which is in bad need of repair. After numerous failures to get something done by their local road crew, residents in the area took up a collection and began patching the

safer for themselves, their children, their property, and anyone who comes driving by.

Now, is such a semaritan action tax deductible, or is a portion of their previously paid taxes refundable?

## Ooops!

It was bound to happen sooner or later, and on Thursday night it did - at the Manheim Fair. A young man, who had the champion market lamb was given a trophy which was inscribed with words referring to that specific honor. But on top of the shiny award was the figure of a hog.

## Udder candidate

Inter-State Milk Producers Cooperative, Inc. has come up with the perfect solution of who to vote for if you can't make up your mind between one candidate or the next. You simply vote for the udder candidate.

## Short-lived joy

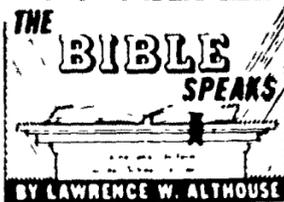
A Lancaster County agricultural office had a thrilling experience this Summer. A check arrived in the mail for \$1000. And who couldn't use that! The joy was short-lived, however, as it was discovered later that the gift was intended for another agency.

road themselves. Much of the road is now repaired, but spots like this are still common. Officials claim the road isn't used much, but residents say different. Whatever the case, there's certainly no room for cars to pass each other at spots like the one pictured above.

wonder why so many farmers think of him as one of them, since he graduated from high school, attended Georgia Tech for four years, and then went on to gain a commission at the Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md. He spent four years at Annapolis, after which he worked under Admiral Rickover until 1953. Then he

supposedly went home to care for the family business, while simultaneously finding enough time to pick up a Master's Degree in nuclear physics at Syracuse. (He called himself a scientist in a recent TV spot).

In addition, Jimmy Carter during that time wrote a book, served in the Georgia Senate for four years, and



## HOW MUCH ARE YOU WORTH?

Lesson for October 10, 1976

Background Scripture  
Romans 5:1-21

Devotional Reading  
Isaiah 53.

"If you're a good girl" Many children grow into youth and adulthood with this proposition planted firmly in mind. If we are good, good things will happen to us and people will love us. The corollary belief, of course, is that if we are not "good," then "bad" things will happen to us and people will not love us.

While yet sinners

Of course it is often true that our lives are shaped for both good and evil by our morality and that righteousness and unrighteousness have their own rewards. It is also true that we are more likely to be accepted, liked, and loved when we are acceptable, likable, and lovable.

At the same time, however, the truism, "If you're good..." has some limitations and unfortunate consequences. As parents, for example, we often convey to our children the idea that our love is conditional upon their behaviour, that we will not love them - or at least as much - when they have done something wrong or failed in some way.

duct our friendships on this level: we will like people or even love them so long as their conduct meets our approval. In a sense our friendship is earned by their friendly behaviour towards us, and vice versa.

Little wonder then that people have a hard time understanding the love of God and the demands it makes upon us. Many people have difficulty in believing that God really loves them because they do not see themselves as worthy of his love. In this they are both right and wrong: right in that they are not worthy of his love (this, as Paul discovered, is why legalism fails), but wrong in that they assume that God's love is conditional on our moral worth!

Christ died for us

Paul puts it simply, saying that while "one will hardly die for a righteous man..." nevertheless, "God shows his love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us" (Romans 5:7,8).

then became governor. For the past two years he has been campaigning solidly for the Presidency. I'm wondering when Mr. Carter had time to be a farmer!

My husband is a farmer who works long hours to make a decent living. If Jimmy Carter is a true farmer, and he has done all the things listed above, exactly when did he ever devote time to farming?

I really feel farmers are misguided if they think Jimmy Carter is one of them.

Sincerely,  
Mary Catherine Hoover  
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## NOW IS THE TIME ...

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**TO CHECK SWINE EXPANSION** The time has come when swine producers should take a hard look at the future of their industry. For the past year or more hogs have enjoyed a very high place in the market price structure. As a result of these favorable prices, many new producers have entered

the business and others have expanded. Market prices have been on the skids for the past month and indications point to the possibility of a surplus of pork in the very near future and depressed prices. Further expansion will make

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## Farm Calendar

**Today, Oct. 9**  
Fall Mountain Heritage Arts and Crafts Festival, today through Monday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily on the grounds of Harper Ferry Caverns, near Harpers Ferry, W.Va.

**Sunday, Oct. 10**  
York County 4-H Achievement Day, 2 p.m. at the 4-H Center in Bair.

**Monday, Oct. 11**  
Schuylkill County Conservation District directors meeting, 3 p.m. at the Extension office.

**Central Dairy Club of York County** has meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the 4-H Center near Bair. The movie "Johnny Lingo" will be shown.

**Tuesday, Oct. 12**  
Agricultural Outlook

God did not wait for us to become more righteous, let alone worthy, but he made the great sacrifice of his Son Jesus even while we were most unrighteous. Man's salvation, his restored relationship with God, his reconciliation is attributable, not to his own worth, but God's. It is a gift-grace-and the only "good" thing a person can do is to accept that gift by a trusting faith.

Yes, God wants us to be good, to live up to the best he has placed within us, but his love is not conditional upon that. He loves us as we are so that we may become better than we are.

So, how much are you worth in God's sight?

The cross is the symbol of his eternal answer to that question.

Meeting sponsored by the Garden Spot Young Farmers. Topics include livestock, dairy, and grain. Top people on hand to answer questions and discuss situations. Garden Spot High School, 7:45 p.m.

**Wednesday, Oct. 13**  
Personnel Management Workshop, Lancaster Farm and Home Center, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Topic: Communication skills on and off the job.

**Thursday, Oct. 14**  
Lebanon County Conservation District board of directors meets, Room 209 of the Post Office Building, 8 p.m.

**Blue Mountain Dairy Goat Association** meets, Penn State Schuylkill Campus, Schuylkill Haven, 7:30 p.m.

**Schuylkill County Agricultural Extension Association** annual meeting.

**Bull stud open house**, Frederick, Md. 10 a.m.

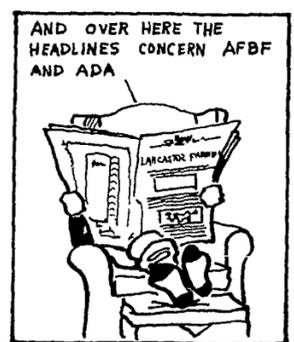
**Susquehanna River Basin Committee** meets, Penn Harris Motor Inn, Camp Hill.

**Maryland Agricultural Commission** tour, for further details call Peter B. Ramaley at 301-267-1332.

**Saturday, Oct. 16**  
Chicken Bar-b-q and Bake Sale for the Leola Fire Company, 50 West Main Street, Leola. Servings from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**4-H Chicken Bar-b-q**, 4 to 8 p.m. at the 4-H Center in Lansdale. Proceeds to benefit the Montgomery County 4-H program.

## RURAL ROUTE By Tom Armstrong



## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

In reply to a letter written to you in the Lancaster Farming by Walter B. Loncosky, Danville, Pa., I offer the following thought: Jimmy Carter just turned 50 on October 2, 1976. I