



Members of the Pa. FFA poultry team were presented a special state winners plaque commemorating their participation in the National FFA contest. Receiving the gift from Allen Tate, public relations supervisor, Victor F. Weaver Inc., New Holland, are (left to right) Ken Fox, Harry

Boley, and Dennis Moose. The group was accompanied to the convention by their advisor coach (far right) Robert S. Woods, New Holland. The National FFA Poultry Contest is a special project of the national FFA foundation sponsored by Victor Weaver, Inc. of New Holland.



Members of the Pennsylvania FFA state horticulture team were presented a special state winners plaque commemorating their participation in a National FFA Contest in Kansas City by Ray Brush (left), secretary of the American Association of Nurserymen, Inc., of Washington, D. C. The team was one of 40 hor-

ticulture teams participating in the National FFA Horticulture Contest at the National FFA Convention in Kansas City, Mo. Team members Kathy DiFana, Brenda Albright, Cindy Shreiner, and Brenda Dise were accompanied by their advisor Jennifer Brown of Brownstown.

Pa. FFA judging teams

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identification area of the contest required that the students be able to identify approximately 50 to 60 different diseases which affect the poultry industry. The last area of judging involved the selection and culling of five laying hens and pullets. After placing these birds, oral reasons were given to justify the placings of the birds. Birds are placed on size, quality, pigmentation of comb and wattles, and degree of bleaching in the legs and beak.

This year the National Poultry contest was made possible by the support of one of Lancaster County's fine industries. Victor F. Weaver Poultry, Inc. of New Holland is co-sponsoring the contest. Weaver's made possible the travel, contest expense, awards, and awards breakfast for the members competing in the National Poultry Judging contest.

In that contest the Pennsylvania team received a bronze, with Dennis Moore receiving a silver medal, and Harry Boley taking a bronze.

MILK QUALITY AND DAIRY FOODS CONTEST

Pennsylvania fared well in the National FFA Milk Quality and Dairy Foods Contest sponsored by the Mid-America Dairymen, Inc., of Springfield, Mo.

On the whole, Pennsylvania placed 13th, earning a silver medal. Individually, the members of the team earned both silver and bronze medals. Lamar Groff and Hans Groff, both in Lancaster Farming's prime coverage area, received silver medals and the third member of the team, Dan Brooks of Oxford, finished to receive a bronze.

Participants in the Milk Quality and Dairy Foods Contest are given 10 samples of cottage cheese and 10 samples of milk. Each of the samples is visual and taste tested to determine the flavor, odor, and sediment content of the samples. Team evaluations of the samples are written on score sheets and compared to scores determined by contest officials. The scoring is done following standards used by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Contestants also identify samples of hard

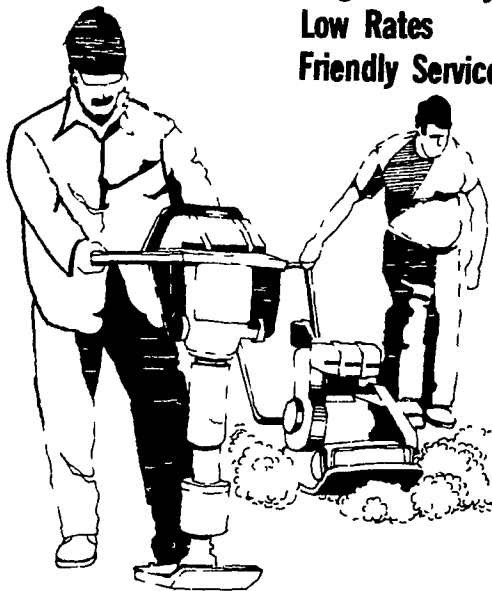
cheeses, score sediment pads, and take two tests encompassing milk production as it relates to milk quality.

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