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Asking to have a point of testimony clarified are, left to right, James Heinly, attorney for the Barley Brothers, Tom Goodman, Manor Township solicitor; James Huber, and Edward Goodhart, Manor Township supervisors. The central issue involved during the 6½ hour long hearing at Millersville's Lyte auditorium was whether or not prime farmland can or should be taken for use by a garbage dump. An estimated 900 persons were attracted to the meeting,

Strong support shown for Barleys

Public hearing draws 900 people

Legal defense fund established

By DIETER KRIEG
MILLERSVILLE, Pa. — Drawing out 900 persons strong, with one of them — Amos Funk — delivering a petition filled with more than 1,000 signatures, concerned Lancaster County farmers demonstrated their support for John and Abram Barley, who stand to have 58 acres of their land taken by eminent domain for a landfill.

The occasion was a hearing on the matter by the Manor Township supervisors, who in anticipation of the large crowd, chose to hold the meeting in Millersville State College's Lyte Auditorium. At odds were the Barley Brothers and their attorneys at one end, and officials and hired consultants of the Lancaster

Area Refuse Authority (LARA) at the other. Two of the three township supervisors — Edward Goodhart III and James Huber — sat in the middle to hear both sides of the controversy. The third

member, Blaine Strickler, excused himself on the grounds of possible conflicts of interest and did not appear at the hearing. Strickler

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By DIETER KRIEG
MILLERSVILLE, Pa. — Three prominent Lancaster County farmers announced Tuesday night that a legal defense fund for the Barley Brothers has been

established. The three well-known citizens are: Amos Funk, Manor Township farmer and conservationist who has waged a campaign of his own to bring the Barley farm

issue before the public and officials. Funk is also a board member of the Lancaster County Conservation District.

Charles Rohrer, last year's Pennsylvania Jaycees Outstanding Young Farmer, who operates a dairy, hog and poultry farm near Paradise.

Dennis Cox, Lancaster, an accountant and treasurer of the Lancaster County Republican Committee. All three will act as trustees to the fund.

Donations to the campaign which is officially called the "Save Our Farms Fund," may be made by mailing a check to Commonwealth National Bank, (Main office 28 Penn Square, Lancaster,

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Milk support hike causes dismay

By DIETER KRIEG
ONO, Pa. — The announcement on Tuesday that dairy support prices would be raised to 83 per cent of parity came as both a surprise and unwelcome news to many dairymen. At a meeting here of the Lebanon County local of Eastern Milk Producers Cooperative, two officials from the co-op voiced their fears.

Alfred Warner, Lebanon County dairyman, who serves on Eastern's board of directors, warned "I hope we're not building ourselves up for an even greater problem in the future." He wonders how consumers will react when the higher milk prices are reflected at the supermarket, and what will happen if the surplus milk problem is magnified. He suspects that the latter is a real possibility and has a lot of company on that train of thought. Numerous officials of several dairy cooperatives, as well as dairymen themselves and Pennsylvania's Secretary of Agriculture, Kent Shelhamer, have in the past few months voiced considerable concern over

present milk production trends. In a nutshell, production is soaring, and the higher prices are likely to compound the situation. Freeburn Love, another Eastern official and dairy farmer member, admitted that the new parity prices sounded good. "But it's a wolf in sheep's clothing, as far as I'm concerned; production is too high," he warned.

"I know you can go to other areas where dairymen are complaining. But I hasten to tell you, there is no indication that there will be a wholesale exodus of producers," Love continued.

Love's comments took into consideration the requests of some farmer organizations which are calling for milk

support prices of upwards of 90 per cent of parity. Those requests, however, are generally considered to be unrealistic and a sure way to disaster. Most producers in the mid-Atlantic area Federal Order 4 marketing area would have been happy with an 80 per cent parity level. It's estimated that it

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Warren Leininger honored for pork work

By JOANNE SPAHR
BLUE BALL, Pa. — Warren Leininger and the Lancaster County Swine Producers go back a long way together. In 1957 Max Smith, Lancaster County Extension agent, established the organization which elected Leininger, a breeder of purebred spotted Poland China hogs, as its president. Leininger remained in that position for seven years after which he served as vice president. Since that time, he has continued as a member of the board of directors, but last Friday evening at the organization's annual meeting held in the Blue Ball fire hall, he made public the announcement that he would retire with the end of his most recent term of office.

In honor of his years of service to the organization, the Swine Producers presented the 69-year-old Denver resident and his wife Sally a terrarium shaped like a pig. Prior to the presentation of the gift, Smith enumerated some of the highlights of Leininger's career. Along with his work in the organization, Leininger has shown 25 grand champion gilts at the Pennsylvania Farm Show in his 32 years of raising spotted Poland Chinas, and for 25 of those 32 years has worked with youth as a leader of the Lincoln 4-H Pig Club.

To sum it all up, Smith stated, "He's been active in

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MCMP maps plans, studies challenges

By JOYCE BUPP
York Co. Reporter
COCKEYSVILLE, Md. — "Maryland Cooperative Milk Producers, Inc. is entertaining a new era," believes Herbert W. Wessel, Jr., president of the Board. He emphasized that fact in the opening of his report to several hundred members gathered at the Hunt Valley Inn in Cockeysville, Md., last

Saturday for the cooperative's annual meeting.

Discussion on two major items facing the cooperative consumed most of the morning business meeting. Wessel spoke first to the formation of a new joint business venture with the Interstate Milk Producers,

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Cholesterol issue easing for eggmen

By JOANNE SPAHR
LANCASTER, Pa. — According to Hendrick Wentink, present chairman of the National Commission on Egg Nutrition, the cholesterol battle is slowly easing for the poultry industry, but there is still a long way to go before the controversy comes to an end.

Wentink made these comments in an address to a group of industry men assembled for the third in a series of educational poultry seminars held last week at the Farm and Home Center by the Lancaster County Poultry Association.

"We are now getting both sides exposed," Wentink remarked, "and we have nothing to fear as long as they don't hammer us down without a chance for

rebuttal," he stated. "When you give a housewife the facts," he continued, "she will settle for what suits her tastes and pocketbook."

He also pointed out that medical opinion is slowly turning away from the hardline belief that eggs and cholesterol are closely linked to heart attacks. Medical literature is now dealing more and more with the cholesterol diet and its affect on the heart.

"Many researchers and medical men who were against us before, now say that they are not sure if they were right about eggs and cholesterol. And, just a year ago they were absolutely sure of themselves," he declared.

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