

# Penn Stater observes Russian ag college

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** David Kehr, Littlestown, is a graduate of The Pennsylvania State University where he is currently enrolled in a master's program in agricultural education. He is one of 14

young agricultural specialists from the United States now in the Soviet Union as a part of the Young Agricultural Specialists Exchange Program. The program is coordinated in the United States by National 4-H Council, Washington, D.C., in behalf of the Cooperative Extension Service. International Harvester Company, Chicago, Illinois has provided funding for the program. U.S. delegates' travel is financed by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the U.S. Department of State. This is David's first report.

By **DAVID A. KEHR**  
A year ago if someone had told me that I would be attending classes at a university in the Soviet Union this Summer, I would have told them that they were crazy. Well, it actually happened!

In February I began an intensive Russian language

and culture training program at the National 4-H Center in Washington, D. C. along with the 13 other young agriculturalists. We were preparing for a three month agricultural work study program in the Soviet Union. On June 7 we began a month long study of Soviet agriculture and Russian at the Byelorussian Agricultural Academy, one of the oldest and best agricultural academies in the country. When one of our teachers speaks no English we have no choice but to learn the language. Our agricultural lectures were usually given by department heads and assistant professors. We had many lectures on Soviet economics, agronomy, mechanization, and animal husbandry. The theory is being explained here at the academy, but the most interesting part of the program will be seeing it applied on the farms.

There are many similarities as well as differences between the Byelorussian Agricultural Academy and my alma mater, Penn State. The most noticeable difference is size. About 5000 students are enrolled at the academy. As an undergraduate student, I was accustomed to an enrollment of 30,000 students. One of the reasons for the difference in size is that the academy prepares only agricultural specialists.

Penn State offers degrees in many areas besides agriculture. Enrollment in the Penn State College of agriculture however is half the size of the enrollment of the academy. The organization of the academy is very similar to that of the college of agriculture. Each institution is divided into departments which prepare students for one of a number of different specialties. However, there is a difference in the time required to complete a degree. At Penn State the normal time required to complete a degree is four years. Here students study from four and one half years to nearly five years, depending on their major. These students also receive on the job training. Not all American students

get this training, although it is becoming available to a larger number of students. Here less emphasis is put on animal agriculture and more emphasis placed on mechanization, drainage and irrigation, due to the need in this area for that type of improvement. Another difference that did not go unnoticed was the classes here last only 45 minutes. That is half as long as I experienced as an undergraduate. Of course there are two sides to every coin. The students here attend classes six hours a day, six days a week, and they do not have the freedom to arrange their own schedule as I had as an undergraduate. Students here are also assigned dormitories according to their major. Students with the same or similar majors live in the same dormitory.

All in all it has been an interesting and rewarding experience to study in a Soviet agricultural academy. I have learned much about the system and the people of the Soviet Union. I am very eager to get to the farms where I can learn about Soviet agriculture from a different angle. I hope to share future experiences with you in coming weeks.

## York chooses 4-H royalty contestants

**YORK** - Preliminary competition for selection of the 1977-78 York County 4-H king and queen were held Wednesday, September 21 at the 4-H Center near Bair. The finalists for the 4-H king are: David Wise, Spring Grove; Jonathan Myers, Thomasville; and Tim Beck, Seven Valleys. The 4-H queen finalists are: Charla Janney, Brodbeck; Bonnie Wire, Spring Grove; Laurie Dobrosky, Glen Rock; and Brooke Palmer, Shrewsbury.

The contestants were nominated by their local 4-H Club and were judged on

appearance, speaking ability, poise and personality and 4-H activities. The judges for the preliminary contest were Stephanie Runkle, manager of JoAnn Fabrics, Queensgate Shopping Center; Tom Boyer, dairy farmer, Spring Grove; and Joan Lamberson, Extension Home Economist, York County Agricultural Extension Service.

Final selection of the 4-H King and Queen will be held on Sunday, October 9th in conjunction with 4-H Achievement Day, at 2 p.m. at the 4-H Center.

## PUBLIC SALE

### OF VALUABLE Real Estate - Farm Machinery - Personal Property & Antiques Saturday, October 21, 1977

At 11:00 A.M. SHARP

At RD#1, Brogue. In York County Penna. approx 5 miles East of New Bridgeville near Bethel church. Follow sale arrows off route 425 off Shenks Ferry Road near Safe Harbor Dam.

The undersigned will offer at public sale the following.

#### 64 Acre Organic Farm

Farm consisting of approx. 64 acres. There are approx. 54 acres of good rich farming land. Balance in pasture & farm land. There are numerous fruit trees and approx 1 acre of blueberries, good well of water. Improvements consist of a frame house with 4 rooms downstairs & 5 rooms upstairs, house has electric, running water, telephone, also a large frame barn. Anyone on the market for an organic farm that offers good farming land with privacy and seclusion be sure to inspect this farm and attend this public sale. Real Estate will be offered at 1 P.M. on day of sale. Open for inspection on Saturday Oct. 8 and 15 9 A.M. to 3 P.M.

Terms 10 per cent down balance on or before Feb. 1, 1978.

Also to be sold Farm Machinery, Personal Property & Antiques.

Not responsible for accidents on day of sale.

Refreshment Rights Reserved for Bethel Church.

Terms Cash or Approved Check.

**Mr. & Mrs. Cyrus Swope**

By Merle Swope Power of Atty.

Auctioneer

Jacob A. Gilbert Phone 252-3591

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Attorney

John T. Miller

## HOLSTEIN SALE

### COMPLETE MILKING HERD DISPERSAL

On the farm located on Greenfield Road between Route 85 and New Design Road four miles south of Buckeystown, in Frederick County, Maryland.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1977**

10:00 A.M.

**200 HOLSTEIN COWS 200 MILK! MILK! MILK!**

100 are recently fresh or due soon after the sale. The herd will be at peak production at sale time.

#### A YOUNG HERD

Many first and second calf heifers, also some springing first-calf heifers. Very few cows over 6 years old.

#### GOOD UDDERS & TYPE

A herd with particularly fine udders and lots of dairy character.

#### EXCELLENT HEALTH

T.B. and Blood tested for interstate shipment. The herd has been on a regular monthly program with pregnancy checks and open cow examinations, and the breeding condition is excellent.

#### POPULAR BLOODLINES

Registered bulls have always been used and although all cows are selling as grades nearly all are bred for several generations by registered animals.

Sale Manager's Note: In this herd of 200 the selection is excellent. These are good, sound, profitable young cows in fine working condition. They have been rigidly culled and offer an unusual opportunity for high producing replacements from one of Frederick County's oldest and best known herds. Don't miss it!

Terms: Cash Lunch available. Sale under cover.

Farm Machinery and Heifers sell on March 18, 1978.

#### PAGEWAY FARM

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## NAYLOR FARM

### MACHINERY DISPERSAL

Craige Hill, Pa. - Auburn Twp - Susq. Co

The following personal property will sell at the farm located 4 miles West of Springville and Pa. Rt. 29, 8 miles NE of Meshoppen and U.S. Rt. 6, 12 miles S. of Montrose, 12 miles North of Tunkhannock, 4 miles S. of Auburn 4 Corners.

**Saturday, October 15, 1977**

10:30 A.M. Rain or Shine

Zero Pipeline w/400 ft. of glass and SS pipe-washer, etc. complete; zero T-20- 1200 gal. vacuum bulk tank w/2-3 H.P. compressor A-1, 2 Cornell barn cleaners No. 1-210 ft. w/new chain A-1, No. 2-140 ft. A-1 complete; Clay elec. feed cart w/charger, 4 ft. Dayton barn fan, 3-18 in. barn fans, 12x14 ft. VanDale silo unloader complete A-1; 18 ft. Clay silo unloader, Farm Hand self unloading cart, 3 hd. baler wagons, 2 Grove and 1 Coby, 40 ft. Sno-Co mow elevator, 20 ft. Mulky portable elevator, 50 ft. N.H. mow elevator, 15 ft. mow elevator.

#### 5 FARM TRACTORS 5

Allis Chalmers 175 Diesel tractor w/all extras-16.9x38 tires-only 307 hrs.-used 1 year; A.C. 160 Diesel Tractor w/hyd. bucket-new 1973 A-1 A.C.D19 diesel w/turbo-new tires 18.4x34 A-1 A.C. D17 Gas tractor A-1, IHC W4 gas tractor w/mounted buzz saw, A.C. 4B-16 in. trip B plows A-1, Fox No. 6 Field chopper w/pickup-cutting-corn and 2-row snapper head, All A-1, 2 Gehl BU 620 hd. chopper wagon used only 2 seasons A-1, J.D. 336 Baler W/PTO hay kicker used 2 seasons A-1. N.H. 56 S.D. Rake, Kuhn hay tedder, N.I. 272 cut/ditioner, A.C. 4 row corn planter w/3 pt. H, century 12 gal. fiberglass fertilizer w/8 row boom, Ontario 14 hoe grain drill, dump cart, 145 bu. L.H. Hawkbilt spreader, Lely 3 pt. H, fertilizer-new, 1969 IHC 1600 Loadstar truck w/14 ft. platform dump body, good condition, Brillion harrow, N.I. 12 ft. fertilizer spreader, land roller, 8 ft. Case H.D. Disc, snow plow balde, A.C. hyd. bucket for A.C. 15 or 17, 80 gal. water heater, 2000 bu. metal corn crib w/blower, garden roto-tiller, platform scales, 3 set. tractor chains.

#### 4000 BALES JUNE CUT MIXED HAY 4000

300 bales of Timothy, 500 bales first cutting Clover, 1000 bales first and second cutting alfalfa hay, 50 bales straw, seed corn, broom grass seed, Ritchie livestock waster bowl w/heater, Winpower alternator model 35x20 A-1.

#### ANTIQUES & MISC.

Buckboard wagon, wagon wheels, 1 horse cutter w/fills wide cherry boards, 10 milk cans, hay knife, iced cutter, bobsleds, hand forge, bldg. jack, craftsman 230 amp. welder, 2 air compressors, barbed wire, elec. drill, 2 wheelbarrows, power saw, elec. fencer, elec. grinder, block and tackle, greasguns, forks, shovels, jacks, wrenches and many other small tools.

P.S. Make plans to attend this fine machinery dispersal, the kind of items you find on a modern up-to-date farm.

Lunch

Terms-Cash or approved check.

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## PUBLIC SALE

OF

## REAL ESTATE

4 Acre Farm with Newly Remodeled House Household Goods, Tools & Lumber

**Wed. Eve. October 5, 1977**

At 6:00

Located at 213 Fannie Ave., West Lampeter Twp., Lanc. Co., Pa. (take Rt. 222-2 miles south of Lancaster; turn right onto Millwood Road; turn left onto Fannie Ave.)

2½ Story 8 room & 2½ bath frame house w-green alum siding. Also frame summer house, frame bank barn, frame garage & swimming pool w-bath house (House has been newly remodeled, rewired, plumbing, roof & insulated) Property open for inspection Sat's. Sept. 24 & Oct. 1 & 2 from 1 till 3. Real Estate to be sold at 7:00. Kelv. 2 dr. refrig. record player, Hoover vacuum, rock maple harvest table w-benches & 4 chairs, hutch, oak chest of drawers, coffee table, clothes rack, stools, lamps, ping pong table, 10 gal. fish aquarium, kids toys, etc. Tools & misc. building material. Other misc. articles not listed

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