

Myerstown corn growers score high yields

MYERSTOWN - Two Myerstown corn growers, Raymond Saul and Moses Garman, have placed high in the local Project:200 corn growing program, which is sponsored annually by the producers of Funk's G-Hybrids.

Garman showed a corn yield of 176.6 bushels per acre using Funk's G-4520 in his high yielding plot and

Saul produced 144.8 bushel per acre using Funk's G-4646.

Garman's fertilizer program consisted of 193 pounds of nitrogen, 28 pounds of phosphorous and 28 pounds of potassium. He used Lasso/Atrazine for weed control. The crop was planted on May 6 in 36-inch rows and the yield was

adjusted to 15.5 per cent moisture.

Saul's fertilizer program consisted of 436 pounds of nitrogen, 336 pounds of phosphorous and 104 pounds of potassium. He used Atrazine and Lasso for weed control. The crop was planted on May 10 in 36-inch rows at 23,000 plants per acre, and the yield was adjusted to 15.5 per cent moisture.

Project:200 is the largest corn growing program of its kind in the nation.



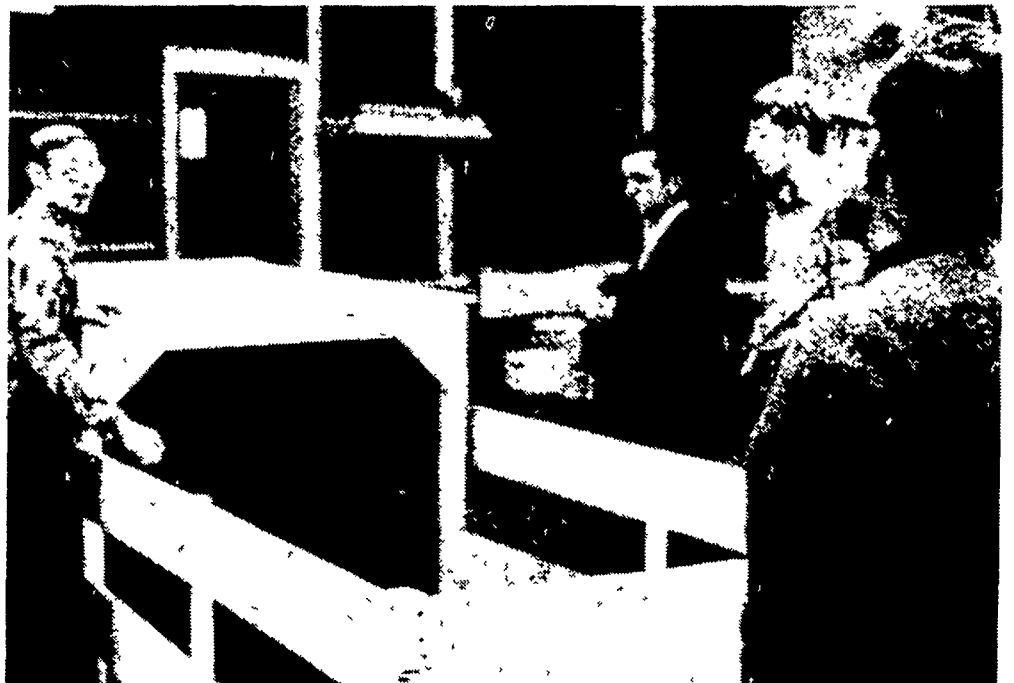
Standing 14 inches in height, this week old foal was a new arrival to the Marshall Jones farm, Westtown, Pa. The mother to this black youngster with the white nose was a Sicilian donkey which stands about 40 inches in height. Sicilians are noted for their grey coloring with a black cross over their shoulders and down their backs. All totaled, Jones' wife owns two donkey mares, two year-and-a-half old colts, two foals, and one jack. She has hopes for breaking the colts for carriage driving.

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Calf hutches was the topic at a recent Garden Spot Young Farmers dairy management meeting. Included in the program were slides of different operations, a talk on dairy health by a veterinarian, and inspection of a calf hutch brought in for the meeting.

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Nat. Grange resolutions decided

GREENSBORO, N.C. -- National Grange delegates passed a resolution last week regarding proposed USDA set-aside regulations in the new farm bill. The farm organization called for the regulations to be written to permit grazing of set-aside land at the same time as other crop land is grazed and that livestock be removed from set-aside acreage when they are normally removed from crop acreage. The delegates said the current regulations restrict the use of this acreage so that normal grazing would require expensive temporary fencing.

The delegates sent a telegram to the Senate Agriculture Committee in support of providing all-risk, all-county and all-producer crop insurance. In addition, they recommended the Commodity Credit Corporation charter be amended to provide adequate funding flexibility, and that provisions be made for farmer-elected committee program administration, government cost-sharing of premium and administrative costs of at least the current net expenditure level, individual farmer cost of production

coverage based on the farmer's own production record, and offer opportunities for private insurance carriers to participate in federal crop insurance where feasible.

The delegates also voted to support the following: Legislation which would require the reporting and publicizing of foreign investments in agricultural land; establishment of cooperative processing and marketing facilities for all agricultural products; changes in the disaster loan program that would permit repayment privileges up to 10 years and with a provision for repayment moratorium when conditions justify; adequate funding for Agriculture Cooperative Extension Service.

The Grangers also took action on resolutions to oppose any land purchase programs that involve the government as the purchaser and lessor of farmlands; any action that would modify the Capper-Volstead Act; and the expansion of services by the Farmers Home Administration and Farm Credit Administration into other lines of financing until agricultural needs are met.