



Even though he is busy with his work in Harrisburg, Wenger tries to find time to spend on the farm. Here he checks eggs from his laying operation, in which he keeps 12,000 hens.

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struggle trying to tell his story.

Farmers, Wenger feels, to help their problem, can do several things. They can be a good public relations person - a center of influence in social and business contacts. "Build bridges, not fences," Wenger explained. "Farmers should be respected as businessmen."

Lancaster County Farmers are lucky, Wenger continued, because he thinks they have good relations with the ag-business people, and this can be an asset to farmers. But he feels that all farmers must become better marketers. There is a need for long range planning, established prices, and a need to make products which are demanded by the public.

Commenting on the recent farm strike, Wenger stated that in the long run, he feels it will have little benefit. "Farmer strikes aren't new, they've been occurring since the 1920's, when they were called farmer holidays," Wenger noted and then added that although he did not approve of the strike, he felt it did bring attention to the farm problem, giving it front page news coverage.

The preservation of farmland is another issue that Wenger spoke of. "Traditionally, people felt that if they owned the land, they should have the rights of using it as they please," Wenger stated. "Some plans suggested today leave little control of the land by the owner. While I feel that these are unacceptable, there is a need to have the farm land preserved. The effort however should be local, with some help given by the state, but the problem should not be turned over to the state or U.S. government completely."

Wenger went on to add that now there is a Pa. House bill restraining the right of government agencies in condemning farmland for other uses. Wenger is a co-sponsor of this bill.

People of all backgrounds should serve in public office, if so inclined, Wenger stated. A good legislature, he believes, should represent all backgrounds of life, in-

cluding farmers, teachers, businessmen, women, etc.

While there has been corruption in government, Wenger said that he found "good" people in both parties. "The problem today is that there is a lack of confidence in the people in government. Many are dedicated workers, people of integrity," Wenger noted. "Elected officials are a reflection of those who elected them, and they can always be replaced."

Speaking of his own term as a freshman legislator, Wenger explained that the feeling of "responsibility" after being elected and knowing that what he did effected the whole state's population was a new feeling. He also recognized a feeling of satisfaction in having the privilege of being elected, a humbling experience.

The legislator has spon-



Glenda Haldeman, Manheim R3, was named Employee of the Month for Plain and Fancy Egg Ranch, Elizabethtown R3.

sored several measures he believes beneficial to rural Pennsylvania. Included in these were legislation to provide for protection of tillable farmland along the Appalachian Trail; and a bill that regulates materials sold as fertilizers and requires that fertilizers be labeled with a list of contents so that buyers know what the product contains.

Rep. Wenger related that he enjoyed serving the people of his district and has

announced his intention to seek a second term as state representative. He has had a perfect attendance record in the house and promises to continue responsive and responsible service to his constituents, in his second term.

Calling himself just a "rather typical" farmer, Wenger and his wife, Barbara, and their three daughters, Nancy, Brenda, and Pamela, reside on their farm in Stevens R1.

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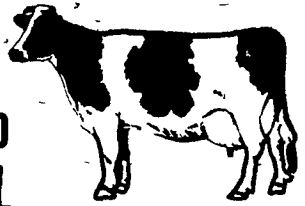
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