

Connie McFeaters wants to promote milk

By DIETER KRIEG
LEBANON — Lebanon County's new dairy princess, Connie McFeaters, says it's time to promote milk "It's a natural food. In this age of 'junk foods,' it's time to promote natural foods like milk for a healthier nation," she proclaimed last week.
 Miss McFeaters, the 16-year old daughter of Mr and Mrs. Leonard McFeaters, Anville R3, was chosen from among a group of five Lebanon County girls who vied for the title of dairy princess "I was shocked to win," she said afterwards, but I'm glad. It's an honor I

hope I can fulfill it, I will try my best." She succeeds and was crowned by the 1977 Lebanon County Dairy Princess, Joyce Moyer.
 Judges for the competition, which was held in the auditorium of the Lebanon Municipal Building, were Mrs Betty Hudson, home economist, Wayne Leshner, owner of WayHar Farms; and Miss Peggy Staub, 1976 Pennsylvania Dairy Princess.
 Jane Bomgardner, the 17-year old daughter of Mr and Mrs Harvey T. Bomgardner, Anville R3, was chosen as the alternate dairy

princess. She will assist Miss McFeaters at special events and assume her full responsibilities in Miss McFeaters' absence. Admitting that she is a good milk drinker herself, she says she is looking forward to speaking on nutrition before civic and farm groups. She is a 1978 graduate of Anville-Cleona High School and owns 13 registered Holsteins. Her future plans include attending Delaware Valley College where she would like to major in dairy husbandry.

Miss McFeaters, who will begin her senior year at Anville-Cleona High School this Fall, has ambitions for becoming a veterinarian and animal psychologist. To attain that goal, she would like to attend Penn State university. Active in sports and a member of the National Honor Society, she was raised on a Holstein dairy farm where she learned to love animals and accept responsibilities in caring for them.

Like most dairy princesses, Miss McFeaters plans to go to elementary schools where she will want to convince youngsters that they should drink milk. "It's best to start them young so they'll grow up realizing the value of milk," she explained.

Milk is for everybody, however, the young lady insists. She stresses the fact that milk is a natural food and that it should be included in everyone's diet.

If Miss McFeaters were given 30 seconds to address the population of the country on the qualities of milk, she said she would tell her audience that milk has high nutritional value and is good for the individual at any age. "It helps you stay healthy," she concluded.

Being a dairy princess is an honor for both Connie and



Connie McFeaters receives her tiara from outgoing Lebanon County Dairy Princess Joyce Moyer. Jane Bomgardner, right, was chosen as alternate dairy princess.

Jane. Both girls entered the contest after having been encouraged to do so by their friends, neighbors, and relatives. "The hardest part about running for it is trying to overcome self-consciousness," Miss McFeaters said afterwards. She explained that there are some preparations for the contest, such as studying up on nutrition - milk in particular - and being well poised at all times. While the contest made her nervous, and caused her some worries, she in full gladness

says that it was a good experience.

Miss Bomgardner, as alternate dairy princess, will be eligible to run for the title again next year. Others who competed this year were: Carol Kettering, 19, daughter

of Mr and Mrs Perry Kettering, 1733 Russell Road, Lebanon; Barbara Sattazahn, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Sattazahn, Lebanon R6; and Becky Walmer, 18, daughter of Mr and Mrs. Carl Walmer, 185 Village Drive, Lebanon

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