



Ethel McGarvey was presented a honorarium gift on December 19 from the Farm and Home Center for her 13 years of service. Presenting the gift is Clarence Keener, representing the Board of Directors. Mrs. McGarvey's husband stands with his wife. In the background is a plaque with the name of donors to the Farm and Home Center in Lancaster. It was through Mrs. McGarvey's records that this plaque was made possible.

## Ethel McGarvey honored

LANCASTER - Mrs. Ethel McGarvey of East Petersburg was honored December 19 for her 13 years of service as secretary to the Farm and Home Foundation.

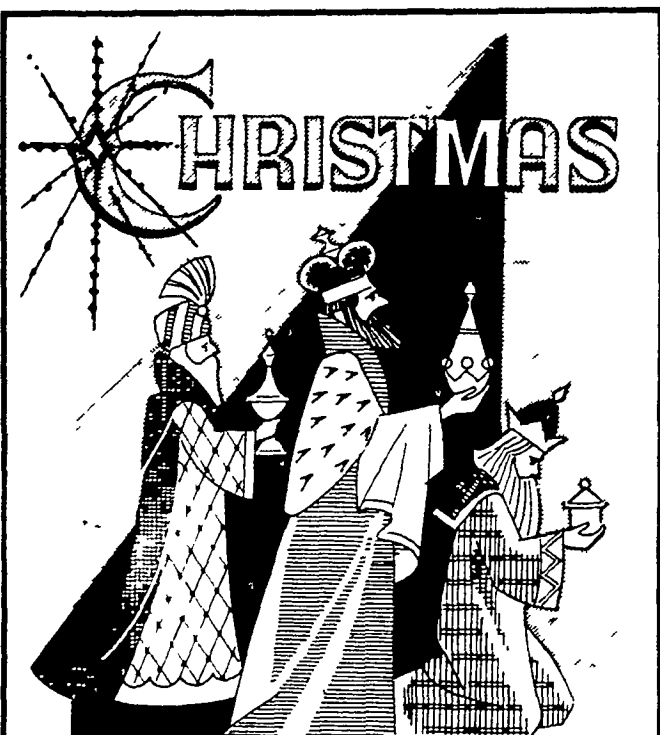
On behalf of the Board of Directors, Clarence Keener, presented an honorarium to Mrs. McGarvey saying "this is a token of appreciation for

the many times over the years that you have not been paid in full for your services. It is a reward for something well done."

Working out of her home Mrs. McGarvey made mailings for the campaign for funds for the Farm and Home Center. She also kept up to date cards of donors. Her records were used to

place names on the plaque which now hangs in the lobby of the Farm and Home Center, 1383 Arcadia Road, Lancaster.

Mrs. McGarvey is retiring from the work because of a full time job in a school cafeteria.



Let us unite this Christmas day and share the precious gift of His love. Deep appreciation.

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## Horse imports from Belgium and West Germany banned

NEW YORK, N.Y. - Breeding age horses from Belgium and the Federal Republic of Germany can no longer be imported into the United States because contagious equine metritis, a breeding disease of horses, has been diagnosed in those countries.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) placed a similar ban on horse imports from the United Kingdom, Ireland, France and Australia in September 1977, when this newly discovered equine disease was found in those countries. However, it was later found that the disease was introduced in Kentucky Thoroughbred breeding stock by two stallions from France that had been imported just prior to the ban.

### Soviets bullish on our cattle

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The United States completed a record sale of breeding cattle to the Russians in mid-October when it shipped 450 Santa Gertrudis beef cattle to Moscow. An earlier shipment contained 95 dairy breeding bulls—85 Holstein and 10 Brown Swiss, bringing the total to 545 head. According to USDA's Foreign Agricultural Service, the largest previous sale of breeding cattle to the Soviets was 218 in 1976.

Quarantines and testing in Kentucky by State, industry and USDA veterinarians limited and controlled this outbreak. Strict sanitary measures in the breeding sheds and continual testing of possibly exposed Thoroughbred mares are now being used to eradicate the disease organism from affected U.S. horses. The ban will only apply to breeding stock; geldings and horses under two years of age will not be included in this action.

Equine metritis is a highly contagious genital infection of horses. The stallion is a carrier of the disease organism and usually can be freed of the bacteria by disinfection followed by treatment of the genitalia with specific antibiotics. The organism readily infects mares, causing early abortion or failure to conceive.

Antibiotic treatment is used to free mares of the infection, but treatment is not always successful.

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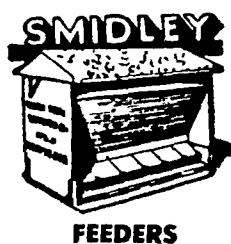


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