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Lancaster to host National Grangers

LANCASTER — An estimated 8000 Grangers from across the United States are expected to converge on the Host Farm Hotel in Lancaster for the 1979 National Grange Convention.

farms, the widespread increase in rented farmland, a redirection in farm programs away from economically strong farm operations, and agricultural transportation.

The session will be preceded by the Host State banquet Sunday evening. This dinner will be sponsored by the Pennsylvania State Grange.

Pennsylvania Secretary of Agriculture Penrose-Hallowell is the scheduled speaker. Albert Wohlsen,

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John Scott

The meeting begins Monday, November 12 and will run through Tuesday, November 20.

Heaviest attendance is expected this Thursday, Friday, and Saturday when 4000 Grangers are due to receive the Seventh Degree, the highest degree of the order.

John W. Scott, Master of the National Grange, will open the official proceedings of the 113th annual meeting Monday. Scott is expected to address the problem "Who will control U.S. agriculture in the future?"

Among topics Scott is expected to touch on are the increasing size of American

Hallowell pays surprise visit

Inter-State holds annual meeting

By CURT HARLER
LANCASTER - The board of directors of Inter-State Milk Producers' Cooperative Wednesday afternoon hosted an unplanned session with State Agriculture Secretary Penrose Hallowell.

The directors meeting preceded the annual meeting of the Co-op at the Host Farm near Lancaster. About 1,000 dairymen were on hand for the annual banquet Thursday night where Hallowell appeared again,

Hallowell spent about half an hour with the Inter-State directors in a private meeting to hash out several issues including the proposed Milk Security Fund, a checkoff program for the Keystone Milk Marketing Council, and appointment of a new chairman for the Pennsylvania State Milk Marketing Board.

The Secretary and the members of Inter-State have

Keystone Show offers tough competition

HARRISBURG - Local exhibitors survived the top-notch competition at this year's Keystone International Livestock Expo. Area farmers won in swine, cattle, sheep and horse classes.

Record numbers of livestock were exhibited in open shows, and 4-H and FFA shows.

There were also sales of yearling bred ewes, in the sheep-division, on Saturday. And, on Monday, a feeder calf sale was held.

Other highlights of the show were: the crowning of the Pennsylvania Lamb and Wool Queen, the State Junior Sheep Shearing Contest, and the barnyard babies exhibit.

The Expo was the focal point for two national contests: the 4-H Horse Bowl and the Horse Judging Contest. College students, 4-H'ers, and FFA'ers competed in other livestock and meats judging on Monday,

with the Junior Stockman Award going to the top scoring club member.

The show was a success story for many Pennsylvanians, and a learning

experience for all who participated in the event. This week's pages of LANCASTER FARMING unfold the Expo's story of winners and losers, excitement and disappointment.



Diane Krause, of Slatingsdon, walked off with grand champion honors in both the Junior Breeding Cattle Show and the Open Angus Show at the Keystone International Livestock Exposition. Diane poses with her heifer champ, ABF Grand Erica E58, with judge David Hawkins.

PFA's annual meeting ready to roll this week

HERSHEY - The 29th Annual Meeting of the Pennsylvania Farmers' Association takes place Sunday through Wednesday at the Hershey Motor Lodge, Hershey.

One-hundred sixty-nine voting delegates from 54 county associations will decide policy on statewide issues affecting agriculture.

They also will elect state officers and participate in numerous convention activities which include awards programs and guest speakers.

The Pennsylvania Far-

mers' Association is a general farm organization with 21,409 farm family members in its 54 local units. It is an affiliate of the American Farm Bureau Federation.

Focal point of the annual meeting is the voting delegate sessions which begin Monday morning,

November 12 and continue through the following two days.

The voting delegates will hold sessions over three days to decide the merits of hundreds of policy resolutions on a wide range of farm issues. PFA vice

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Holtzinger named FFA star farmer

KANSAS CITY — Kevin S. Holtzinger, Windsor, was named FFA's Star Farmer of America here Thursday night.

The 20 year old York Countian received the Future Farmers of America's highest award at the Stars Over America dinner during the 52nd national FFA meeting.

About 20,000 FFAers were in Kansas City when Holtzinger received his award.

Named FFA's Star Agribusinessman was Robert W. Lovelace, Elsberry, Missouri.

Holtzinger started his road to the Star Farmer award back in 1973 with a supervised FFA project of three

years from his father's dairy herd.

Today he leases a 72-acre milking-parlor operation in the eastern section of York County. In addition, he rents 303 acres to meet the grain and roughage needs of his milkers.

He has a herd of 175 cows and heifers.

His cows, on three times a day milking, are producing about 15,250 pounds milk, 560 butterfat.

Not satisfied with that level, Holtzinger said he hopes to expand both in production and in number of cattle.

He is a member of

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Area tours celebrate Farm-City Week

BY DEBRA STRICKLER
LITITZ — "Partners in Economic Progress — Pride in the Past, Faith in the Future" is the 1979 theme of the annual Farm-City week.

Area Farmers' Associations and Chambers of Commerce are cooperating to plan a variety of events during the week.

Of special interest in the local area is the Farm-City tours to be held next weekend, November 17 and 18.

The Lancaster County Farmers' Association will be

opening seven area farms during the weekend. Lancaster's dairy, swine, poultry, beef, goats, and fruit commodities will be represented.

South of the city, the Jim Groff and Jim Kreider families will open their farms.

The Groff's have a sow house, breeder flock, and a steer fattening operation on their farm. They also raise potatoes.

A double six Herringbone milking parlor will be the feature of the Kreider farm.

They milk 155 cows and have numerous heifers and calves housed at the farm.

The Donald Bare Family will host visitors to their dairy operation. The Bare farm is located near Bridgeport.

A special feature of the tours will be the opportunity to take a hay ride through the Herr Fruit Farm's orchards. Apples are raised and cider is produced on the farm located on Rt. 999, west of Millersville.

At this stop visitors will have the opportunity to view

a demonstration of bee hives and honey products.

In the New Holland area, the Delmar Weaver family will open their dairy operation. The Weaver's farm 150 acres of land in corn, soybeans, and hay.

The Jacob Fisher, Jr. family welcomes visitors to their goat farm near Manheim.

Also in the Manheim area, the Daniel K. Hershey poultry farm will be open to the public. The Hersheys are in the chicken business in a

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