McConaugheys named Farm Show family

Clyde W. McConaughey, Jr. Family of Mahoning Creek Farms, Smicksburg, Indiana County, has been named Pennsylvania's Outstanding Farm Show Family.

Governor Dick Thornburgh congratulated the McConaughey Family during Secretary of Agriculture's Night, Monday, at the Farm Show.

An excellent combination of outstanding farm records, family participation in agricultural activities and a superior record of participation at the Pennsylvania Farm Show were major factors in the selection of the McConaughey's

HARRISBURG - The as Pennsylvania's Out- registered Southdown, standing Farm Show Family," said Agricultural Secretary Penrose

> The McConaughey Family deceased.

Suffolk and Border Leister sheep, the latter owned by Denise and Darlene.

Clyde Sr. started farming in 1916. At 14 years of age, he took over responsibility for the family's farm. Clyde Jr. went into partnership with his father when he

"The McConaughey's have been a very close family and have developed an outstanding farm operation," said Ward Stover, Indiana County Extension Director. Stover submitted the Mc-Conaughey's biography to the Pennsylvania Farm **Products Show Commission** for competition.

Pennsylvania's Outstanding Farm Show Family has exhibited at the Farm Show since 1939. The family has exhibited Jersey cattle,

Exhibiting at the Farm Show has been a family affair for the Mc-Conaughey's. In addition to the Farm Show, they have shown both breeding and market swine for many years at the Keystone International Livestock Exposition. All three daughters have shown at the Pennsylvania Junior Dairy Show.

Among the family's many accomplishments, they have either exhibited or bred the Grand Champion Duroc Bred Gilt swine 21 times since they started showing in 1941. They have also exhibited the grand champion Jersey cow and the grand champion Yorkshire and Chester White

The McConaugheys claimed the Duroc Premier Exhibitor award for 11 years, 1959-63, 1969-73, 1976 at the KILE. They have also won premier breeder and sire awards, and shown the champion Duroc barrow onrail and reserve junior champion, junior barrow onfoot in 1974.

At the State Junior Dairy Show, the girls have taken many grand and reserve championship ribbons, as well as showmanship and

The family has also

USDA suspends provision of Middle Duroc, Yorkshire and Chester White swine, sheep

Atlantic order

NEW YORK, N.Y. - A two-month suspension of a milk pooling requirement under the Middle Atlantic Milk Order has been issued, the U.S. Department of Agriculture announced.

P. R. Smith, assistant secretary of agriculture for marketing and transportation services, said the order temporarily suspends the requirement that a distributing plant sell at least 40 percent of its milk for fluid use before it is eligible to have all its milk pooled and priced under the

The suspension will run from December 1979 through January 1980.

The suspension was requested by Michaels Dairies, Inc. The unexpected cancellation of a contract with the Dover Air Force Base in Delaware has threatened producers supplying the handler with loss of pooling status under the order.

The suspension will afford the handler time to make changes in its milk procurement and/or Class I sales to remedy its pooling problems.

In addition the suspension assures that producers who regularly supply the market will continue to have their if the proportion of whole to milk pooled under the order during December and January, allowing them to share in the returns from the sale of Class I milk.

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includes Clyde Jr., his wife Lois and their three daughters. Donna, 21, a registered nurse; Denise, 19, a student at the Indiana University of Pennsylvania; and Darlene, 16, a junior in high school. Clyde's parents, Clyde W. McConaughey, Sr., and his wife Hattie are now

The McConaugheys farm 503 acres in northern Indiana County. They raise 35 head of registered Jersey cattle, 200 head of registered Duroc swine and 54

and Virginia Milk Producers

Association, Inc., supported

the suspension in comments

filed with the department.

No comments opposing the

action were received in

response to the department's

notice that the action was

The suspension order was

published in the December

Whole wheats

top white

breads

HARRISBURG - Baked

goods tend to be uneven in

quality, but this year's Farm

Show whole wheat bread

entries were marvelous,

according to Lancaster

County home economist

Susan Doyle, baked goods

judge at the 64th Penn-

Entires in this category

were way up and the

products were superior,

much nicer than the white

This is somewhat sur-

prising because whole wheat

breads are trickier to make

than white breads. They can

easily turn out heavy or dry

Doyle said she expects to

see more whole wheat

white flour is off.

breads next year.

bread entries, she noted.

sylvania Farm Show.

31, 1979 Federal Register.

being considered.

graduated from high school.

and clothing.

Clyde Sr. first exhibited in 1939 when his son was six years old. He took a railroad car of Jersey cattle to the show, a two-day trip. In 1941 the family started exhibiting swine. Clyde Sr. exhibited until 1975, when ill health prevented him from traveling.

bred gilt.

master fitting honors.

SINCE 1913

contributed to Pennsylvania agriculture through the organizations, which they belong to.

Clyde Sr. was president of the Pennsylvania Duroc Association, the Pennsylvania Jersey Cattle Club and the Southwestern Pennsylvania Feeder Pig Association.

Clyde Jr. has served as state director of both Duroc and Chester White breed -associations. He has been a member of the State Youth Committee of Pennsylvania Jersey Cattle Club and the Indiana County Extension **Executive Committee.**

Leadership has been a key part of the family's life. Clyde Jr. has served as a 4-H leader for ten years, Lois for five years, and daughter Donna for two years. Clyde was also instrumental in organizing the Indiana County Livestock Sale Committee. He has been a continuous member, through the 17 yearly sales which have been held.

The Mahoning Creek Farms is a source of swine breeding stock for adults as well as 4-H and FFA members. For the past several years, the Mc-Conaughey's have had the largest number of registrations for the Duroc breed in Pennsylvania.

In 1977 they had the high DHIA Jersey herd in Pennsylvania for 50 cows and under. Clyde Jr. received the American Farmer Degree from the Future Farmers of America in 1953.

All three daughters have been extremely successful with their 4-H work and have or are financing their college education with the proceeds derived from 4-H.

Donna, Denise and Darlene have all been Keystone winners in the state 4-H club program. They have all won a trip to the National 4-H Club Congress, with Donna and Denise capturing national swine program awards. The trio has also been dubbed

outstanding 4-H club members in the Indiana County 4-H Club program.

In 1979 the Pennsylvania Pork Producers Award was presented to both Donna and Denise. Denise and Darlene have been recognized for outstanding achievements in their livestock projects by the Pennsylvania Livestock Association.

Denise was a Pennsylvania delegate to the 1979 National 4-H Club conference in Washington, D.C. The same year she was a winner in the commodity marketing program. This year Denise will attend a National Marketing Symposium in Chicago, Illinois. She reigned as State Jersey Queen in 1976.

The McConaughey family will have their name placed on a plaque which will permanently hang in the Farm Show Building. They also received an individual plaque for the honor of being Pennsylvania's Outstanding Farm Show Family of 1980.



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