

## Pa. Apple Queen

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orchard would certainly land her a job somewhere in the fruit industry.

"I used to get paid 25 cents a tree to clean up the brush from under them. I picked up drops until my back ached. And I helped with grading apples and cherries on Saturdays and after school," she said.

Kris said she loves the area where she grew up and is afraid that sometimes she takes her lifestyle for granted. "If I want an apple, I just walk across the yard and pick one off a tree. And, I hike around a lot through the orchards.

"Sometimes I take a book along and climb to the top of a tree to read. From the top of the hill, I can look out all around me."

The Apple Queen said she reads for an escape. She added she tried to read the book, War and Peace, but it was too hard. She prefers romantic novels, like *Gone With the Wind*, by Margaret Mitchell.

Like many other teenagers, Kris also enjoys dating. And her room, she said, is like a jungle—filled with plants.

### Thomasville 4-H holds events

THOMASVILLE — The Thomasville 4-H Club held their monthly meeting on March 25 at the 4-H Center at Bair.

Club work for April included the trash cleanup in Paradise Township and the coloring of 75 dozen eggs for the Spring Grove Lions Club. Club members and their leaders and parents participated in both events. The club also prepared food and assisted with the 4-H Auction held March 28 at the 4-H Center.

At the April 22 meeting, Hege Raastad, Dover High School foreign exchange student from Norway, presented slides from her country.

At school, Kris is a member of the student council. She likes to run short distances, like the 100 yard race and the 220 yard. But, she explained, she didn't go out for track because of the cost of driving to school.

"I probably would have been a cheerleader if I hadn't lived so far from school," Kris mused, "but I wouldn't trade places with some one in town. I feel close to the outdoors—I'm a country girl at heart. When I'm upset, I wander through the orchards and talk with God. It's kept my sanity on more than one occasion."

Kris credits her ease in talking with people and groups to her experience working as a waitress where she always had to act happy and talk to people. She said her crown gives her an unfair advantage now when she talks to new people because they see the crown and get a favorable impression immediately. "I know they will like me and the product I represent."

"Sometimes the crown and the queen idea get old, and my face gets tired of smiling," Kris sighed, "but it's still neat, and I'm getting to know people and places I would never have met or travelled to without being the Pa. Apple Queen."

UNIVERSITY PARK — People knowledgeable about the sheep and the lamb industry will exchange their ideas with sheep, lamb and wool producers from Pennsylvania and surrounding states at four state locations during the coming week, says Clair Engle, Penn State extension animal scientist.

The conference planning committee urges interested sheep producers and allied industry personnel from the adjoining states to attend the most appropriate program. The scope of these discussions on new lamb grade standards, marketing techniques and wool processing are based on trends of the future for the sheep industry.

Subjects to be discussed by experts include lamb grading and marketing; blueprint for expansion programs and wool marketing and processing. There will be time for all attending to participate in open discussion with program speakers.

Conferences beginning at 7:30 p.m. include: Monday, April 28, Holiday Inn, Washington; Tuesday, April 29, Courthouse, Mercer; Wednesday, April 30, Claverack Electric Building, Wysox; and Thursday, May 1, Berks County Extension Agriculture Center, four miles north of Reading, off Rt. 183.

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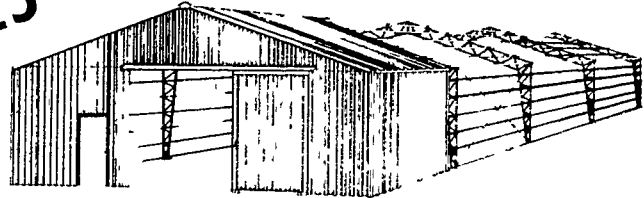
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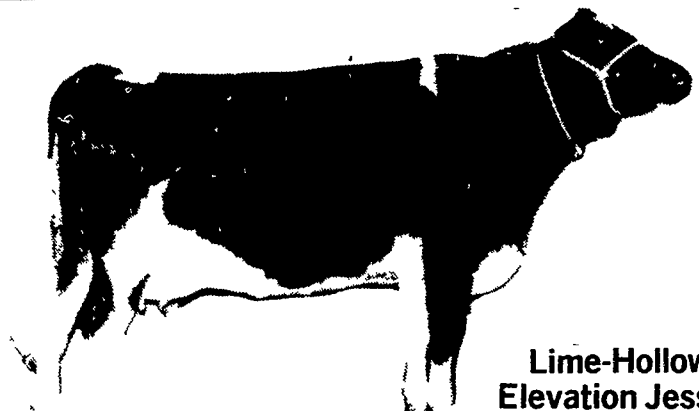
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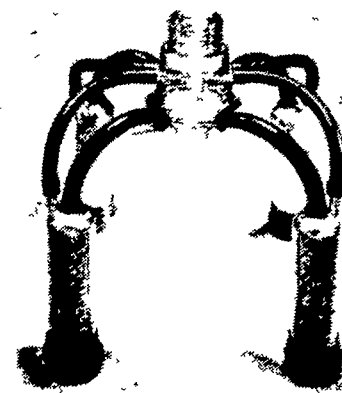
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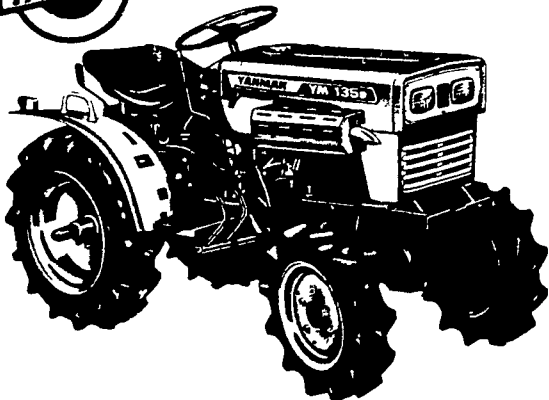
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