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**Reading Fair sets dates, activities**

READING — The Agricultural and Horticultural Society of Berks County, which sponsors the Reading Fair held a meeting last Wednesday night at the Fairgrounds site to finalize plans for the upcoming fair.

Fair dates this year have been set for October 20th (Monday) thru October 25th (Saturday) inclusive.

Heads of departments and committee members were given a personal tour thru the Fairgrounds Square Mall.

The inside of the Mall will house quilters (Ontelaunee Grange and Fleetwood Grange), free nitely en-

tertainment consisting of bluegrass music and country western music, grange exhibits representing Berks County, and several Penna. Dutch working artisans. A "Sheep-to-Shawl" demonstration will be performed by the Berks County Wool Growers.

One night has been set aside for "Pennsylvania Dutch Night" with entertainment by Kaz and the Mischief Makers, Boombas competition, alpine horns, schuhplattler dancers.

On still another night hoedowning and jugging competitions will be the big event to see, as the Floyd

Feick Family band plays. There will be lots of free entertainment, free admission, free parking, hayrides for the kiddies, food booths with a vast assortment of Pa. Dutch cooking by the Granges which will be

appropriately called "the cookery".

A youth rabbit show will be held on Sat. Oct. 25th at 11:00 AM. A log sawing contest will be held on Monday night at 7:00 PM.

**CCC interest rate dropped**

LITITZ — Interest rates for farm facility loans made through the U.S. Department of Agriculture will be reduced by one-half percent to 12.5 percent-effective for loans made on or after September 29, according to Secretary of Agriculture Bob Bergland.

Farm facility loans help farmers build needed farm storage and drying equipment, Bergland said.

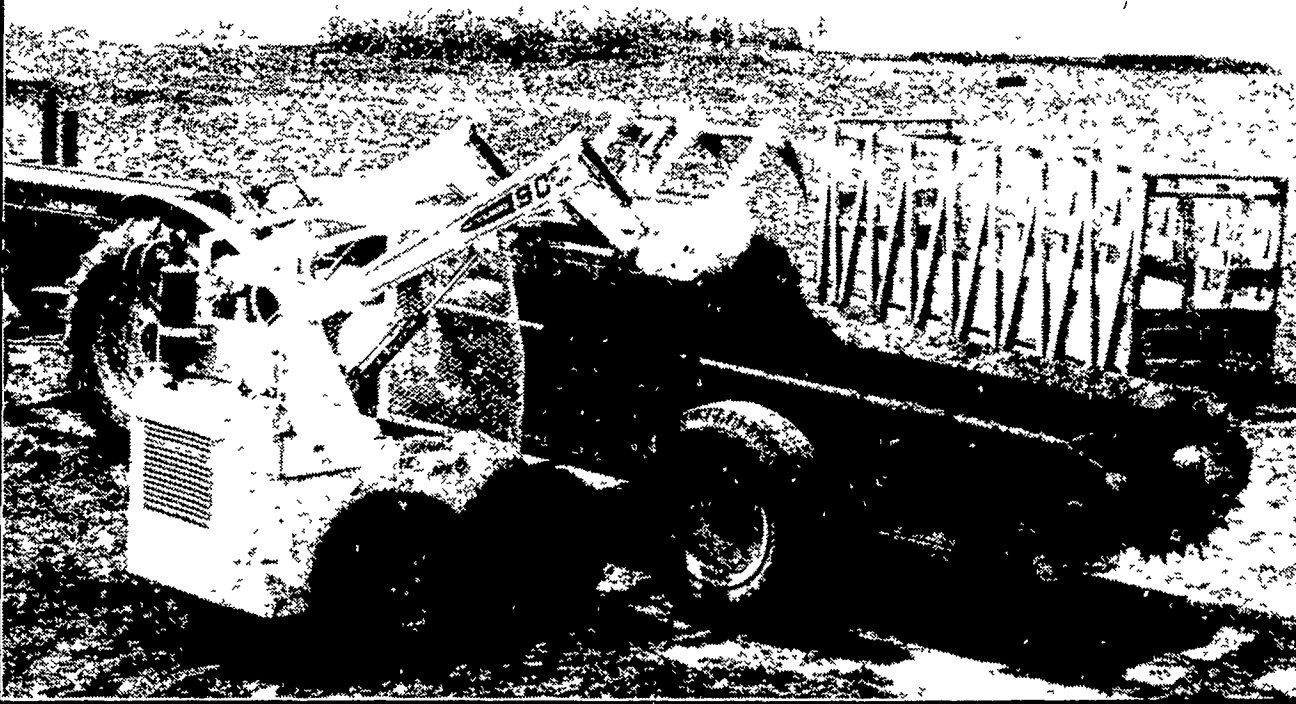
The reduction is a result of a continual review of interest rates charged farmers, Bergland said.

The interest rate for farm

storage facility and drying equipment loans is based on the Commodity Credit Corporation's cost of borrowing money from the U.S. Treasury and was last changed April 15 when it was set at 13 percent, he said.



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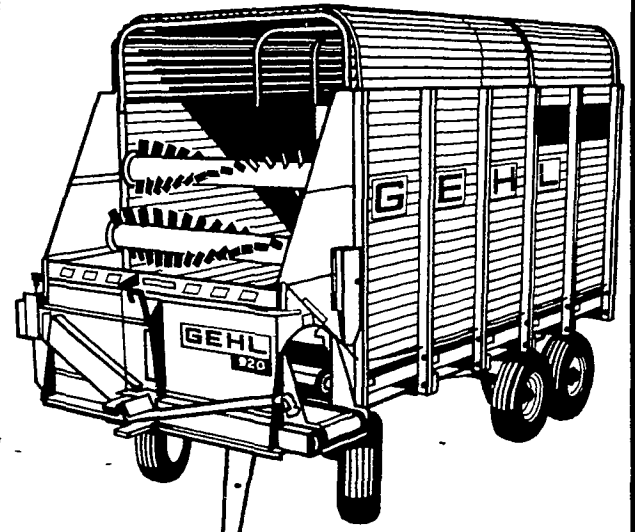
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