Local youths at convention

ATLANTA – Some 400 young delegates and their leaders with a special interest in horticulture, including Karen Nailor, Mechanicsburg, Lori Davidson, Shippensburg, Cinty Otto, Carlisle, and Donna Duncan, Carlisle, took part in the 46th annual National Junior Hor-ticultural Association Convention on October 31 to November 3, 1980 at Atlanta, Georgia.

The NJHA meeting brought together young horticultural leaders from across the nation who competed in various demonstrations and contests, took part in tours of Six Flags Over Georgia,

Callaway Gardens and other areas of interest around Atlanta, and learned many new things about the wide world of horticulture.

Convention delegates, ages 15 to 22, from about 25 states competed for national honors in such areas as environmental education and beautification, production and marketing; experimental horticulture: speaking contests, gardening; plant propagation; and achievement and leadership recognition.

Some 275 delegates competed in the judging, information and identification phases of the Horticulture Contest. They judged fruits, vegetables, flowers and ornamentals. took a written test on a variety of horticultural topics, and identified more than 100 specimens.

Other program highlights included horticultural and leadership workshops and messages from experts in the horticultural fields.

Climax of the four-day convention was the awards banquet where the national winners in the various categories of competition were announced.

NJHA is a growing, group of young persons who are interested in horticulture, the environment, and related fields for the purpose of an education.



(left to right) Donna Duncan, Carlisle; Cindy Otto, Carlisle; Lori Davidson, Shippensburg; and Karen Nailer Mechanicsburg took part in the 46th annual National Junior Horticultural Association Convention on October 31 in Atlantia, Georgia.



Penn-York Co-op reviews dairy situation

ATHENS - Fenton Murphy of Ulster, Bradford County, treasurer of the Northeast Dairy Cooperative Federation, Inc. (NEDCO) was the main speaker at the semi-annual dinner meeting of the Penn-York milk cooperative He listed many alarming trends in the dairy industry in his speech last Friday.

First, there is an increase in milk production, he stated, and a decline in the consumption of cheese, the backbone of the milk industry. There is a tremendous back-up of cheese, he stated, cheddar cheese sales are off 28 pecent, and mozzarella, more, because pizza operations have gone into using imitation cheese.

The hauling situation is not good, he continued, it is getting very difficult to find truckers who can afford to keep their equipment in good condition.

Murphy stated that four million dollars are being spent for a special cheese promotion in New York State. Nedco, the only milk cooperative in Order 2 to contribute, has given \$10,000, together with Land-O-Lakes and other milk companies, to fund the promotion

Murphy is also working on a mandatory program to promote dairy products in Pennsylvania ' The state

having a program already,' Murphy said.

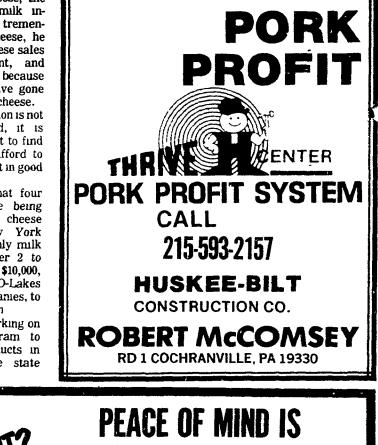
Donald Meister, of Greene, New York, NEDCO insurance _representative, spoke briefly that the cost of a two day hospital stay is equal to the price of hospitalization insurance for a whole year.

He said the average cost of a semi-private room per day is \$155, for a private room,

should be ashamed for not \$185, and \$245 plus for a day in intensive care.

Roy Beardslee, of Columbia Cross Roads, president of the Penn-York Co-op, was chairman of the meeting Nearly 200 farm family members enjoyed the dinner served by the Athens Firemens' Auxiliary.

The Penn-York Cooperative together with 33 similar milk co-ops is affiliated with NEDCO.-JB



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