

Farm Calendar

Saturday, April 11

Somerset County dairy princess contest, Hidden Valley Resort, 7 p.m.
 Apple blossom queen contest, Bendersville Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.
 11th Annual Maryland Holstein show, State Fairgrounds, Timonium, Md, 9:30
 New Bolton Vet Center open house, R 926 near Kennett Square, 3 p.m.
 Garden State Dairy Goat Assn., 3rd annual awards banquet, Charlie's Brother's Restaurant, Hopewell, N.J.
 Maryland farm safety field day, Grove Farm, Sharpsburg Pike, just south of Rt 70, 10 a.m.
 Sunday, April 12
 Garden State Goat Assn. meeting, Somerset County 4-H Center, Milltown Rd Bridgewater Twp 1:30 p.m.
 Monday, April 13
 Sheep Shearing School, Pequea, 9:30 a.m., concludes tomorrow
 Cumberland County 4-H Dairy Calf Club, Allison U.M. Church, 99 Mooreland Ave., Carlisle, 7:30 p.m.
 Hunterdon County, N.J., Poultry Short Course begins 7:30 p.m., Extension Center, Flemington
 Tuesday, April 14
 York County small computer workshop, Pleasant Acres, East York, 7:30 p.m.
 First aid for farm couples, Dover High School, ag room, 7 p.m.

Adams County Beef Producers meeting, 7:30 p.m., Extension Office, Gettysburg
 Methane Digester Construction, Myersdale Area High School, 8 p.m.
 Maryland Apple Commission meeting, Venice Inn Motel, Hagerstown, Md., 9 a.m.
 Goats milk seminar, Clayton Hall, University of Delaware, Newark, Del., 9-30 a.m., concludes tomorrow
 Milk Sampler Training, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., continues tomorrow
 Poultry Sales and Service Conference, starts 9 a.m., JO Keller Bldg., Penn State's Main Campus, continues tomorrow
 Wednesday, April 15
 Holstein Barn Meeting, Windy Crest Holsteins, Howard J Sutton Farm, Fairmont N.J., 8 p.m.
 Thursday, April 16
 Montgomery County Holstein tour
 Friday, April 17
 Chester County seedling tree sale sponsored by SCS, concludes tomorrow
 Saturday, April 18
 National Trotting Pony Sale, Farm Show Complex, Harrisburg

Letters To The Editor

Dear editor:

As a subscriber to your paper, I want you to know that I certainly enjoy it, especially this time of the year when I enjoy reading the auction sale advertisements.

However, I am deeply concerned about the accuracy of some of the ads

On Saturday, April 4, 1981 I drove 135 miles one way to attend a sale that had a certain motor vehicle advertised, only to find that it had been sold prior to the sale date. I think you probably know how I felt about that!

I think you should make it clear to your advertisers that they will be responsible for false or misleading ads, and require that all advertisements for sales contain the name and telephone number of a person who can be contacted for accurate information.

A fine example of the way an ad ought to be done is the Jason's Leather Craft ad on page E10 of your March 21, 1981 issue

Herbert W. Stewart
 R1 Bellefonte

Editor:

A week or so ago someone put on my deks (I don't know who) the January 3rd issue of Lancaster Farming, and had written in big, red pencil, 'See page A-10' To say I was amazed is putting it mildly.

First, let me state, I was born and raised on a farm near Ephrata so I believe I know what it's all about.

Your editorial in the issue

referred to above entitled "Enough is Enough" contains statements that contradict each other. The article begins by indicating the time has come for the Commonwealth to stop wasting money acquiring land and start investing funds in saving it. The Pennsylvania Game Commission's objectives are the acquisition of lands and investment of funds to save land for many purposes for future generations. We do not consider this a "waste", as alluded to in your article.

Further, in the article you have stated, "for starters, the wrong land is being saved. There is no big rush of developers to develop rocky hillsides, backwoods timber stands or hilly brush."

May I suggest you go to the Poconos, Bedford or Somerset Counties, or even to the north-central part of the state and see development upon development in the areas you have outlined. We feel there is an obvious need to protect these areas at this time. If the Game Commission were to take a negative attitude, there

would be no lands for outdoor recreational activities available for future generation.

You alluded to using money that is being utilized for acquisition of Game Lands as incentive payments for farmers to keep land in agriculture. Again, may I call your attention to the several statutes that have been enacted in order to provide tax incentives to the agricultural community. In spite of these statutes, land is still being taken out of production for development, industry, etc.

This will continue regardless of what incentives are available due to the fact that the larger segment of our population and industry is located within these regions, and developers pay whatever price the market dictates. A prime example is the displacement of the Amish from Lancaster County.

The Game Commission's acquisition program is predicated on the basis of a willing seller to a willing buyer on an open competitive market, and as the land base for outdoor recreational uses

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Now Is The Time

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most poisonous plants are unpalatable, and cattle will consume them only when hungry.

To Control Fowl Mites

The Northern fowl mite has been particularly troublesome in many of our poultry flocks. The mite problems began during the winter and continues in many flocks. It is a well recognized fact that the Northern fowl mite can be very difficult to control because it spends its life cycle on the host, and has the ability to develop resistance to miticides. However, in many cases, mite control is not achieved because of the way that the miticide is applied. For

example, when a fine spray mist is used, the total volume of miticide per bird is not sufficient to control the mites. A coarse spray or a "pencil" stream will put more miticide on the bird with better penetration, thus better control.

Another point for better control is to add a small amount (1 tablespoon per 3 gallons) of detergent to the spray as a feather wetting agent. It will give better penetration and retention of the miticide. Some of the miticides currently approved for use on layers are Co-Ral, Rabon and Sevin. Be sure to follow label recommendations and precautions when using any pesticide.

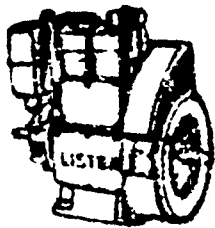


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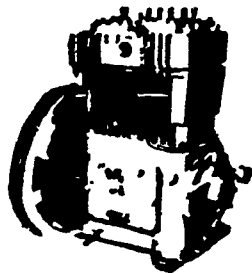
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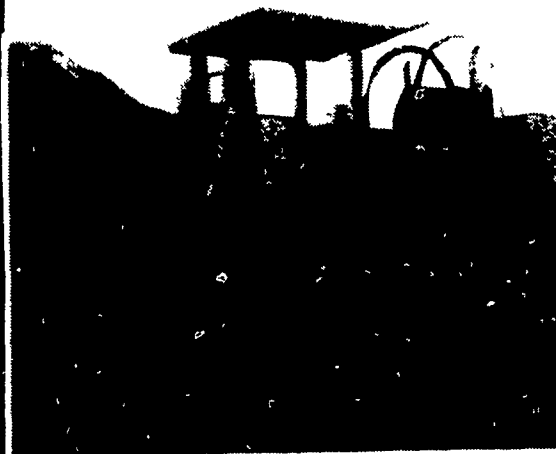
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