

Hallowells

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through the mow hole, head first, again.

And although the injuries may have caused some tears years ago, they are recollected amid gales of laughter.

At age 10, all the Hallowells received a heifer calf. Jim and Emily's heifers proved to be prolific cow mothers while Susan and Pen watched bull calf after bull calf go to market. All members of the UNAMI 4-H club, the children showed for several years at the Middletown Grange Fair. Breaking heifers to lead was no problem as Susan and Emily usually could be found with a couple heifers in tow. In fact, they performed their task so well that even without halters the heifers would follow the girls.

Athletic competition was high on the list of school activities for everyone and all but Susan ran track.

Most of the legwork, however, took place between the barn and house. Their father started a tradition of running from the barn and soon he had many competitors.

"We were always trying to beat Pop," recalls Jim.

Pen, Jr. remembers this family running ritual prompted one

neighbor to ask, "Don't you Hallowells ever walk anywhere?" The oldest Hallowell son used his farm-honed talent for the pole vault and high jump. Jim competed in the 440 and ran anchor leg in the mile relay. Emily's record for the 440 still holds at Palisades High School. Although Susan didn't compete in track her running talents were evident in her chosen sports of field hockey and basketball.

Pen, Jr. was also active in Glee Club, school plays and musicals, student council and ice hockey.

In high school, Jim enjoyed soccer and played saxophone in the school band. In addition to sports, Susan served as a member of the Palisades Student Council while Emily plied her talents in field hockey and served as Bucks County Dairy Princess in 1978. Throughout their 4-H career, all the children held offices.

Much has changed at Pennywell Farm since the children received their first calf or stood on a chair to dump milk into the bulk tank. A new barn was added to accommodate the 80-cow milking herd, bucket milkers were replaced with a pipeline and their dad went to work in Harrisburg.

"It wasn't like the family farm

after that," says Pen, Jr. "Hired help came and went and herd average fluctuated with each changing of the guard."

Palisades High School was replaced with Penn State and York College and the Hallowells were

seen less frequently running from barn to house.

Jim returned home in 1976 after earning an agriculture mechanization degree from Penn State. He entered a partnership with his dad in 1977 and along with herdsman Jack Kelly has in-

creased the rolling herd average to 17,500 pounds of milk.

The Pennywell herd represents such bulls as Marvex, Very, Ivanhoe, Marlu Titan, Gay Ideal and this year the Hallowells are

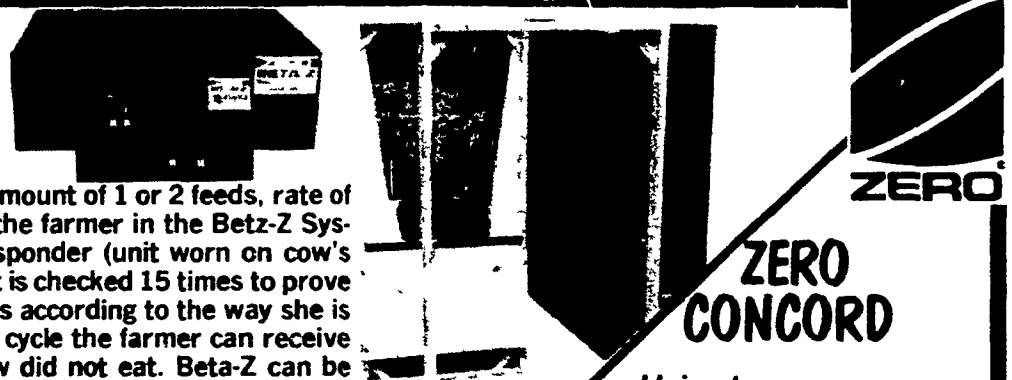
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Although Pen's career in chemistry takes him out of the barn, he and brother Jim, left, still find plenty to talk about while visiting a few of their four-legged friends

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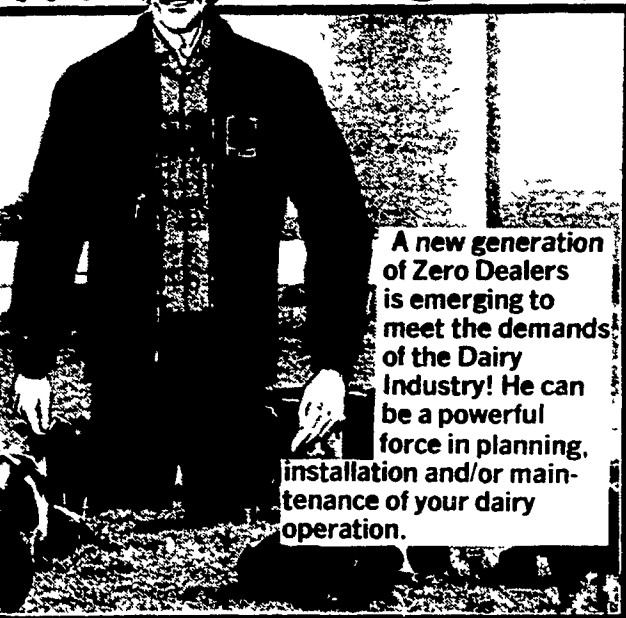


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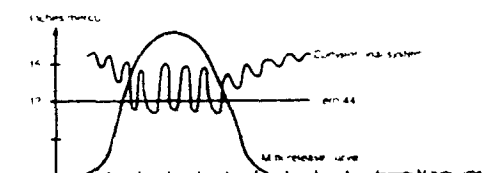
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