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The A, B, C's of Swap Shop

It's easy as "A, B, C" to get involved in the Dairy Product Promotion Swap Shop.

A stands for "Air" and that's where a Lebanon County dairyman is taking his dairy promotion. Besides the adjoining photo, look for his high-flying story in the A Section.

B represents banks - and one up in Schaefferstown is into milk promotion in a refreshing way. Turn to Page A10.

C means cooperation. A writer from Chambersburg wants some practical cooperation from the ADA to help promote milk. Her request is on Page A10, too.

If you have any Dairy Product Promotion Swap Shop ideas, send them to:

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Blue mold closer

LANCASTER - Blue mold is getting closer and closer to Lancaster County.

Claude McKee, tobacco specialist in Maryland, this week informed his Pa. counterpart, John Yocum, at the Penn State Southeast Research Farm that blue mold has been found in an untreated Md. seedbed.

Yocum urges that Ridomil treatments be kept up-to-date in both beds and in the fields preparatory to planting.

Getting high on milk promotion



He soars during chores

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Grange seeks John's funding

BY TRISH WILLIAMS
HARRISBURG - An informative seminar on John's disease was conducted Monday by the Pennsylvania State Grange in attempt to create more awareness

of this chronic infectious disease that is now being diagnosed at an alarming rate in dairy cattle throughout the country. There is presently no known cure for this contagious disease. The Grange is trying to create better public awareness of the extend and damages of the disease in order to gain support for needed John's disease research.

Storms hit farm areas

MIFFLINBURG - Severe pre-summer storms with high winds, drenching rain and heavy hail have caused extensive damage in agricultural areas of Central Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

In the Mifflinburg area of Union County in Pennsylvania, the Paul Zimmerman farm, which was just opening a new fruit and vegetable market, sustained extensive damages to numerous produce crops.

And, in the Flemington-Ringoes areas of Hunterdon County, N.J., metal sheds on a number of farms were torn apart by the storm.

In the Union County storm, farm rain gauges were overflowing with some four inches from the storm that hit Monday evening. The bulk of the precipitation - both rain and hail - fell between 7 and 8 p.m.

"We just started picking strawberries earlier Monday and had a half-bushel of sugar peas in," explains Mrs. Zimmerman, of Mifflinburg.

"And now, there's nothing more of them."

Friends and neighbors gathered at the Zimmerman farm this week to help with cleanup, rebuilding and spraying. The family was also receiving offers of plants from greenhouses and other growers.

"We had outgrown selling out of our garage and had built the new

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Dairymen and representatives from the State Senate and House of Representatives in attendance were informed about the current status of the disease in Pennsylvania by veterinarians from the Pa. Dept of Agriculture and the University of Pennsylvania's large animal research center, New Bolton Center, in Kennett Square.

The Grange spurred by its dairymen members concerned about the incidence of the disease in Pennsylvania approached researchers at New Bolton Center on April 20 to request that they consider doing John's disease research. Researchers there had already been planning such a research project, with the interest and support shown by the Grange, they were able to expand and have ready a concrete research proposal 30 days later.

Dr. Robert Whitlock and Dr. John Fetrow of the University of Pennsylvania Veterinary School gave details of the research proposal. The research will be conducted over a three year period and will require \$115,000 per year for three years to fund.

State Grange Master Charles Wismer, Jr. said the Council of Farm Organizations plans to make the request for funding the research by introducing it to the legislature as a line item on the budget of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

Senator Sam Morris, chairman

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It's ag happening at Keister's Market

BY DICK ANGLESTEIN

MIDDLEBURG - It's becoming a regular mouth-watering, tummy-stuffing, foot-stomping ag happening up in Snyder County.

And on Tuesday some 21,000 people jammed Keister's Auction to celebrate the happening - the second annual Pa. Ag Promotion.

"Why, this is as crowded as the Bloomsburg Fair," commented more than one person as they elbowed their way through the mob of people.

And, if you've ever been to the Bloomsburg Fair, you know that's the ultimate in compliments about attendance.

There was plenty of ag for

everyone to celebrate - particularly the eatin' kind.

There was enough food to please the fussiest of Pa. Dutch gourmets. Just start with the apple juice, work your way through a mess of barbecued ribs or chicken and end up with apple fritters and maple syrup.

If that menu didn't meet your epicurean needs, there was a score or more of good eatin' items to pick from. And they all came out of Pennsylvania fields and orchards.

Commodity princesses patrolled the "midways" to remind everyone of the bounty and

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Daddario brothers pick and grin (?) at Keister's Pa. Ag Promotion.