



**BY DICK ANGLESTEIN**

Leroy Geesaman, president of the Pennsylvania Young Farmers, made a lot of sense at the Cedar Crest YF banquet last week in Schaefferstown.

In his home Northern Lebanon Chapter, Geesaman is heading up an effort to sign up dairymen to participate in a year-round milk advertising campaign over the radio. He's trying to enlist more participating dairymen among the other YF chapters in Lebanon County.

As far as we know, this is the first continuing advertising promotional program being considered on a continuing year-round basis directly by a group of dairymen.

"It's important that we as dairymen get behind ideas such as this," Geesaman said.

"After all, if we don't think enough of our product to get behind it, what is the consumer supposed to think of it and us?"

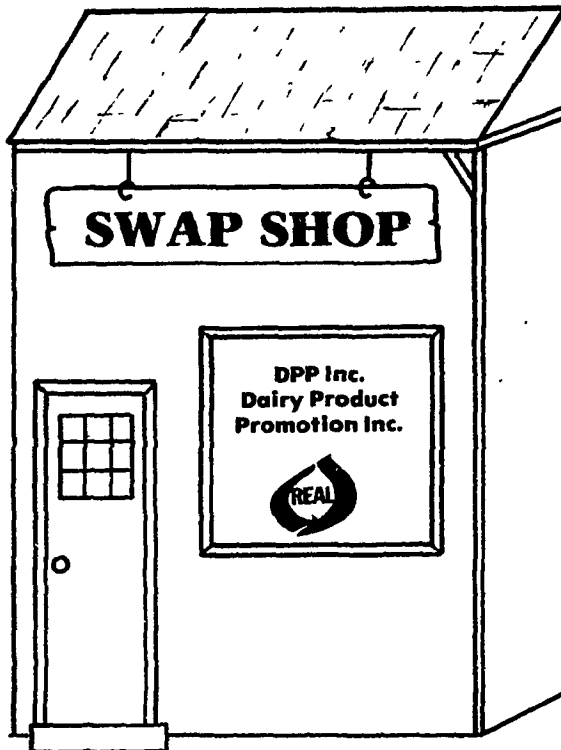
"Consumers are going to think better of our product and us when they see dairymen getting directly involved in promotion."

And we'd like to add one more idea.

In a couple of weeks, the Pa. Young Farmers get together for their summer conference at Mifflinburg.

In between the tours and the horseshoe and volleyball tournaments, we hope there's some discussion between representatives of chapters across the state about Lebanon's proposed cooperative advertising program among dairymen. Possible spread among other chapters can only help the overall promotion of milk and dairy products.

Up along Rt. 322 at Fontana, Umberger's Mill and local dairymen have once again



cooperated in giving away a free glass of white or chocolate milk during June. The promotion has been going on for several years.

Mrs. J. Melvin Koser, of R2 Narvon, would like to see more dairy cookbooks and particularly for children to make milk-based drinks and no-bake recipes.

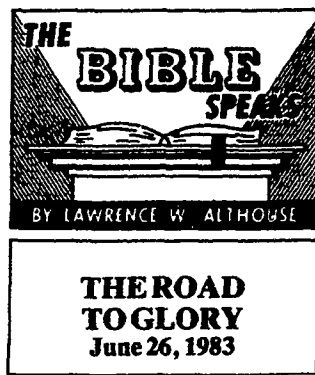
Adam Leid, of R3 Ephrata, would like to know where he can get a rubber stamp like the one that Mrs. Reitz, of R2 Mayport, uses and told us about.

Mrs. Keith Coddington, of R1 Port Royal, endorses the banning of soft drinks at Ag Progress and the Farm Show and would like to see the ban go even farther.

She writes: "The farm wife who suggested banning soft drinks at Ag Progress Days and the Farm Show has a wonderful idea. In fact my husband has said the same thing himself.

"Now, we suggest it go one step farther. Ban all products sold that are not 100 percent pure. For example, ban margarine, use butter; ban Cool Whip, use real cream; ban fruit drinks, use real fruit juice.

"Get the idea. "Let's see what the other folks think."



**Background Scripture:**  
Judges 4 through 5.  
**Devotional Reading:**  
Acts 16: 11-15.

Earlier this week I sat in the office of a young Assistant Pastor in a large metropolitan church. He could no longer hide his sense of hurt and disappointment. "I did not come here for a lot of glory," he explained, "but sometimes it would be nice to be recognized as making a contribution."

The church in which he works is one of those dominated by the personality of the senior minister. Other staff members, no matter how hard they work nor how fine is their contribution, are largely "invisible" as far as the congregation is concerned.

**Deborah, Barak and Jael**

Whether in the church or in other acres of our society, we often seem to have a fixation on "super stars." We tend to overlook the fact that real success is usually the result of contributions and efforts from many sources. The achievement of the "super star" may be the most spectacular, but often it could not happen without the acts of other people whose work and efforts are largely unseen.

Sometimes people need to realize that there is enough glory to go around and we don't have to

horde it all for ourselves. You don't have to lose so that I can win. Your success doesn't erase mine. We can both be recognized without taking anything away from each other. I can rejoice with you in your accomplishment and you can rejoice with me in mine.

My wife, Valere, and I are both public speakers and a fair portion of our ministry is dependent upon our speaking and teaching engagements. We are never jealous of each other and our invitations from various groups. We are glad for each other. I wish that spirit could be carried out into our society, so that all people could get the recognition they deserve and need. Individual achievements are important, but the essence of life is cooperation and lots of apparent "individual achievements" are dependent upon the roles played by others.

**The Victory at Kadesh**

The great victory that was won at Kadesh by the Israelites was a group effort that required cooperation. Through the persuasion of Deborah, God was able to persuade Barak to gather his forces there against Sisera. Without Deborah, Barak would not have been encouraged to assemble his forces. Without Barak's ability as a leader of men, Deborah would not have been able to win the victory. But the complete success of the venture was to depend on yet another person—a much more obscure person at that: Jael, the wife of Heber, who by herself slew the hated Sisera.

Deborah had foreseen this, for she had warned Barak: "the road on which you are going will not lead to your glory, for the Lord will sell Sisera into the hand of a woman." Apparently, this did not deter either Barak or Deborah, for they knew that whatever glory there was belonged to God.



**Saturday, June 25**  
No-till conference, Pineyhill Farm, 10:30 a.m., 1/2 mile south of Washington, N.J.  
Berks County Wool Pool, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., Bollman's hat factory, Adamstown  
Mercer Co. dairy princess  
**Sunday, June 26**  
Annual convention, Pa. Confectioners Mfg. Assn., Host

Corral, Lancaster, continues through Wed.  
**Monday, June 27**  
Beekeeper Short Course at Penn State, continues through Friday  
Penn Ag Industries Assn., annual grain seminar meeting, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., Treadway Resort Inn  
National Holstein meeting, Norfolk, Va., continues through Thursday

## NOW IS THE TIME

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**To Control Disease Spread in Poultry**

Much the same as humans come down with the flu, poultry also has a special kind of flu called Avian Influenza. Several cases have been confirmed in Lancaster County by the state Diagnostic Lab. They include layer, broiler and started pullet flocks. The most important thing you can do at this time is to keep a very close watch on the flock, and if you see any peculiar illness developing — take several birds directly to either the Summerdale State Lab or the New Bolton Lab. We also need to implement the procedures developed by the LT Task Force which include the following:

- \*\* Lock all access doors in the poultry house
  - \*\* Enforce NO ADMITTANCE signs
  - \*\* Put on clean coveralls, rubber boots and disposable caps
  - \*\* Bring on the farm only articles which can be cleaned and disinfected
  - \*\* Incinerate all dead birds immediately
  - \*\* Provide obvious, outside receptacles for feed slips, invoices and messages
  - \*\* No visits to other poultry farms
  - \*\* Rodent control. Don't forget stray dog and cat control.
- By implementing these procedures you will be protecting

your industry from spread of all diseases, thus, helping to make everyone more prosperous.

We want to emphasize that Avian Influenza is not transmissible in the egg or meat. One positive aspect — the Avian Influenza virus seems to be self-limiting with time and the virus disappears from flocks in two weeks.

**To Feed Dry Matter on Pasture**  
Pastures are very lush this spring due to favorable growing conditions. This means that livestock can utilize some dry matter while on pasture. This can include hay, straw or silage. With the dry matter present, they will consume a moderate amount along with the fresh grass.

The dry matter slows down the passage of the lush forage through the digestive system. Also, it reduces the danger of bloating when there is clover or alfalfa in the forage mixture. If the animals are out all the time, then a portable hay rack would be the way to feed hay or straw. Dry matter intake is important when pastures are lush and high in water content.

**To Clean Pesticide Sprayers**  
The use of various kinds of spray materials in one sprayer is risky. This is especially true when you are using any type of weed killer. In too many cases the sprayer carries sufficient residual weed killer material to injure a susceptible crop. Farmers who are spraying corn fields with weed killers one day and then spraying alfalfa or tobacco plants the next day with the same equipment had better do a real thorough job of cleaning the sprayer.

Some materials can be cleaned by using warm water and soap detergent. However, materials such as 2,4-D had better be cleaned with one pint of household am-

monia in 25 gallons of hot water. Allow this mix to remain in the sprayer overnight and then spray it out through the system on the lane or driveway. Don't be guilty of harming good plants. One of the best practices is to have one sprayer for weed killers and another for other purposes.

**To Renovate Strawberries**  
Since the harvest of the strawberry crop is nearly over, it is a good time to plan for next year. In most cases, plants that have yielded two or more crops, cannot be expected to do as well in the future. However, if the current planting is to be used for another year we suggest that the rows be worked by the use of mechanical cultivation and followed by top dressing of fertilizer. These practices will keep the berry plants in a row and encourage additional runners to increase next years yield. In the case of a new planting of strawberries, we urge you to fertilize them in June and again early in August. This extra plant food will enable the setting of runners and will help increase yield next year.

