

Ida's Notebook



Ida Risser

September has always been a busy month for me. A few years ago it meant getting children ready for school. We never went on big spending sprees but always needed new trousers for the boys and every child needed new shoes. Now all six are on their own and manage their own wardrobes.

Mother and father try to manage the farm alone. Sometimes the work load is almost more than we can handle. My husband has been looking for good help for a long time. We really hit bottom with our last hired boy as he was only here two weeks and worked only half of those days.

When my husband was loading some bull calves for market, one of them leaped over a fence and headed for the cornfield. It is wily and has not yet been coaxed back into its hutch beside the barn.

We've been visited by wild geese rather early this year. And early in

the morning when they fly from one area of the river to another, they are loud enough to awaken everyone.

I've been canning peaches and plums and yesterday I picked a few buckets of Concord grapes to be made into juice. It is one job that makes me happy when it is finished and the purple juice is ready for the cellar shelves. As our sweetcorn is always planted rather late, the job of freezing it comes in September too.

Our neighbor had two heifers fall off of a high cliff into the Conestoga River. One was rescued when a local hunter doffed his clothes and swam across to guide it to a muddy beach. My husband got it out with the loader on his tractor but it was injured and had to be butchered. There is never a dull moment around here.

York 4-H Leaders Honored For Service

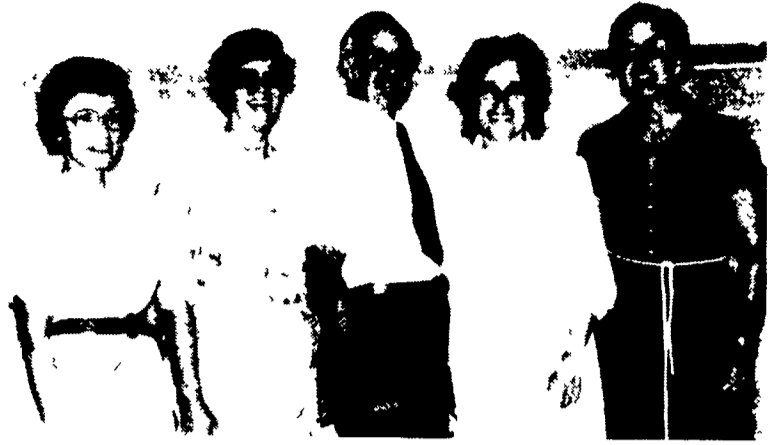
YORK — Adult and teen 4-H leaders were recognized at an annual banquet held at the Seven Valleys Firehall Aug. 22. The leaders provide knowledge, experience and guidance to 4-H members in assisting them through projects and activities.

The 4-H teen leaders assist adult leaders in one of many 4-H projects that youth are involved in. They serve to bridge the gap between old and young. Many of these teen leaders will become leaders in their communities later in life.

Receiving awards for 15 years of service were: Sandra Feeser, Hanover; Janet McElwain, Stewartstown; Alverta Mundis, Stewartstown; and Janet Wilson, New Freedom.

Those serving 20 years were: Bessie Hutschenreuter, Airville; Theda Jacoby, Spring Grove; Wayne Jacoby, Spring Grove; Fay Swartz, Hanover; and Joyce Raubenstein, Hanover. Ruth Rebert of Hanover, was honored for 25 years of service.

Following the awards ceremony, the leaders were entertained by Peck Foster and the Friday Night Garage Pickers.



4-H leaders honored for 20 years of service were, from left, Joyce Raubenstein, Hanover; Fay Swartz, Hanover; Wayne and Theda Jacoby, Spring Grove; and Bess Hutschenreuter, Airville.

Delmarva Forestry Seminar Scheduled

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — The eighth annual Delmarva Forestry Seminar will be held Oct. 4 and 5 at the Holiday Inn in Salisbury, Maryland. This year's theme is "Managing Your Forestland for Profit."

Registration will begin at 8 a.m. The program begins at 9 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m. The following topics will be presented: Marketing Your Timber; Reforestation and Timber Stand Improvement; Protecting Your Woodland Investment; and Water Quality on the Delmarva

Peninsula.

The Seminar also will include an optional field tour on Sunday, Oct. 5 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Visitors will see area tree farms that use modern forestry techniques.

Advanced registration is \$20. Late registration after September 15 is \$25. The optional field tour is \$5 per person. For more information, contact Tom Reeder (301) 742-3163, or write Bradley Hilty, county agent, Cooperative Extension Service, Quantico Rd., Salisbury, Md. 21801.

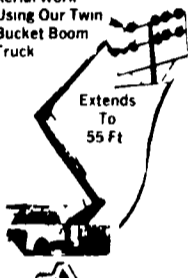
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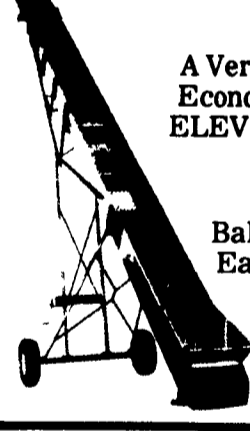
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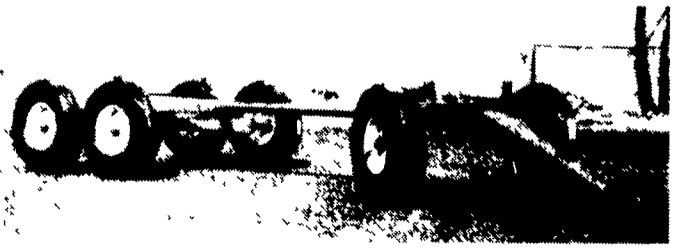


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