

**Ida's
Notebook
Ida Risser**

This year I did not have a good cucumber crop. In the first place, only a few plants came up and in the second place, they wilted before bearing. So, Allen and I visited the Leola Produce Market, which is in our area. We had never been there before.

Our mission was to buy a small quantity of assorted sizes of cucumbers as our grandchildren always expect to be given some to take home when they visit us. And, we can't disappoint them, can we?

After looking over all of the skids containing boxes of tomatoes, peaches, peppers, and beans, we found a shelf with smaller

amounts. We waited over an hour until the auctioneer got to these last items. Then I was lucky enough to get a grocery bag full for a small price and I canned 21 pint of bread and butter pickles and sweet spiced pickles.

The next day Allen asked me to go along to a new fishing spot that he'd heard about recently. Despite having tomatoes to can, I agreed to get up at 4 a.m. to drive to Mauch Chunk Lake in Carbon County. When we arrived the lake was shrouded with a very thick fog. So for the first two hours we could not see anything more than a few feet away from our boat. It was an eerie feeling to be thus sur-

*Farm Women
Societies
Lancaster
Society 1*

The Lancaster County Society of Farm Women held their August meeting in the Kreider's Restaurant, Manheim. President, Julia Lahn presided and welcomed members.

Devotions were in charge of Barbara Hershey. She focused her comments on "The Name Jesus" and defined it as a "Pearl of Great Prize", with a Biblical reference from Matthew 13: 45-46.

Roll call was answered by each member giving some family statistics. Twenty members and two rounded. When the sun finally burned off the fog, we could see that the lake was ringed by a thickly wooded area with mountains in the background.

We caught a baker's dozen of small pan fish but we left the big ones there for the next fishermen. It was a hot day and by noontime we were ready to head for home after eating our lunch in the boat. A raspberry swirl ice cream cone topped off the trip.

guests were present.

The project for the Lancaster County Society of Farm Women for 1992 will be "Habitat for Humanity" and for "Brett Hershey" who has Leukemia. Members voted to contribute \$50 to this project.

Fay Garman introduced the speaker, Debbie Kreider. Debbie is the manager of the Kreider Restaurant in Hershey and is also the granddaughter of Mary Kreider, who is a member of Farm Women Society No. 1. Her talk was about ice cream. She defined it as a nutritious frozen anytime dessert, "A food for the gods." She

traced the history of ice cream from the time that Nero and Alexander, who with primitive methods tried to make frozen desserts, to the present time when millions of gallons are devoured yearly. Pennsylvania is the second largest producer of ice cream. Debbie also described the processes involved in producing this product.

The Lancaster Society of Farm Women No. 1 will hold their September meeting in the home of Marv Kurtz with Mollie Emenheiser as co-hostess. The program will be on flower arrangements by Marilyn F. Ebel.

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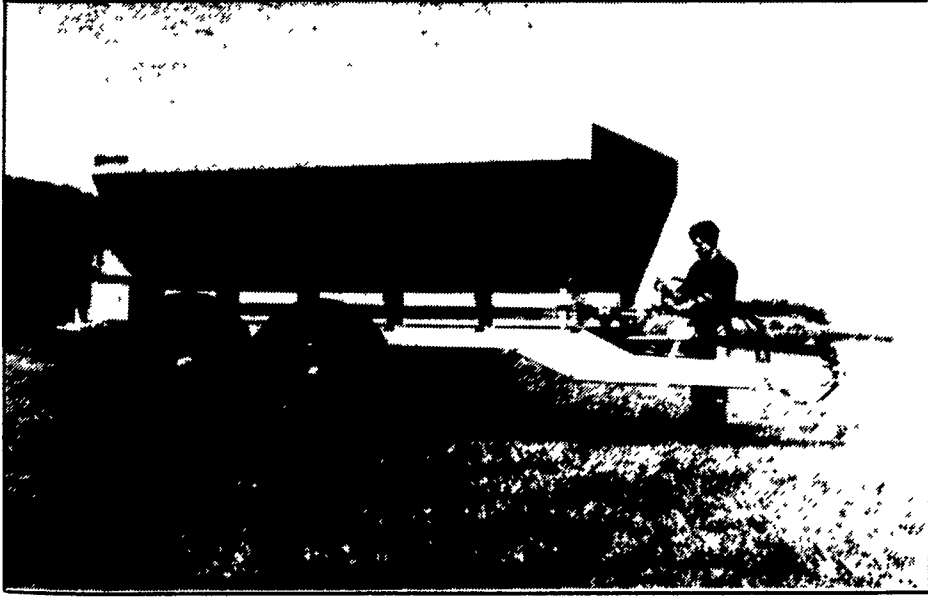
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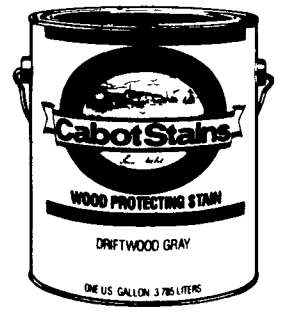
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