

Ida's Notebook

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When our youngest daughter, Cindy, and her husband were at our home over Christmas, they took Allen and I to Hermansader's Galleries in Lancaster. Here were hundreds and hundreds of prints of Lancaster County landmarks. She bought several and had them shipped to her home in Texas.

The pictures brought back many memories of years gone by. When I saw the red brick Central Market House on the square in Lancaster, I remembered the Tuesdays when my Grandfather Shreiner and my Aunt Mary took me along to market. In preparation for the trip to market, I was allowed to go to a pasture some distance from my home and pick flowers. They were similar to snapdragons but they were all a pale pink. These I sold for ten cents a bunch.

And, then I begged to go across the street to the 5 & 10 cent store and spend my money. Another girl my age went with me but I've never met this person since that time although I believe she lives in the county. When one marries and names change it is hard to locate a

My aunt sold many flowers and she cut the gladiolus the night before market and kept them in big stone crocks in their summer-

State Flower Show Scheduled

YORK (York Co.) - An escape from the winter doldrums is just around the corner with the announcement today that the "Pennsylvania Flower Show" will make its inaugural appearance in York the end of February. "Flowers, Folklore and Legends" is the theme of the show-that will be held in conjunction with the second annual York Garden and Flower Show February 24 to 27 at the York Fairgrounds.

house. My Grandmother dressed chickens and eggs were also sold. A tall three-legged stool was chained to the market stand for my Grandfather to sit on during the day.

Anyway, the print of the market brought back so many nice memories and so I bought it. Even though it is large, Allen made a frame for it. He used wood from our tall pine tree that came crashing down on our smokehouse last year during a storm. He finished it so that it matches my kitchen cabinets. One of his Christmas gifts was a clamp to make picture frames up to four feet long.

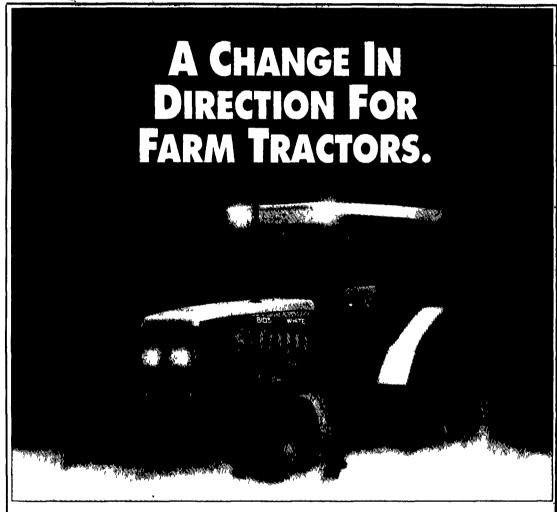
A Standard, or judged, flower show is being staged by District IV of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania and promises to be a major event. District IV is comprised of 16 garden clubs in six counties. The state organization has approved the show which also meets national criteria for accrediation. Judging will be performed by accredited judges.

According to flower show chairperson Audrey Thompson, "this is the largest show we've ever staged in this area." More than 70 different classes for entrants have been approved. The show will include both design and horticultural classes. The show will use nearly 8,000 square feet of exhibit space. Many of the classes will be "staged in unique settings that can only be accomplished in a large show," said Thompson.

The York Garden and Flower Show, which has donated the space for the Pennsylvania Flower Show, is "pleased to be able to bring this major flower show to the central state area," said Larry Shaffer, producer of the York show. The York Garden and Flower Show also will continue to feature exhibits by landscape contractors, garden centers, florists

and other businesses associated with gardens, gardening and outdoor living areas. Again this year, several exhibitors will be constructing full-scale gardens, some including fountains or waterfalls. According to Shaffer, "a second building will be needed to house the show this year," which will be held in Old Main and Horticultural Hall at the fairgrounds. Additional show information is available by calling (717) 755-5885.

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