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Over The Back Fence

by Max Smith

SUPPORTERS of the Lancaster County Farm & Home Center will be glad to know that the building project is advancing and that ground will be broken for this new Center during the summer. Over a quarter million dollars have been paid or pledged and ten acres of ground is now owned by the Foundation. This means that there is only one way to move and that is forward. The fund campaign to obtain the additional one hundred thousand dollars is being continued both to agri-business and to the farmers of the county. I see this as a very worthwhile effort and the possibility of an educational center that is badly needed; great progress has been made but additional help is needed to place this project on good financial footing. Contributions will be tax exempt and we urge local folks to give additional support; you might evaluate your gift contributions on the income tax report and be surprised to learn just how much can be given with due credit and still keep the money within the county. I am told that very few people contribute to the permissible limit on their tax returns. I'd like to continue the plea for additional consideration for more funds for this project.

WE'RE ALL aware of the presence of rabies among our domestic and wild animals. A recent report from Penn State University reveals that skunks are responsible for many cases of human rabies in neighboring states and a few cases in Pennsylvania. We warn against the catching and making pets out of small skunks or foxes because of this potential infection. Also, extreme care should be used in handling stray dogs and cats especially during the summer months. Another survey reveals that 75% of all U. S. rabies reported in the year 1964 occurred in wild-life species.

OBSERVATIONS at the recent County Tobacco Show reflect the high quality of the 1965 crop on many farms; the leaves of tobacco were open-grained and had considerable stretch and size; from the hands on exhibit it would appear that tobacco sheds include some top quality tobacco. Now the question arises as to the delay on the part of buyers in bidding on the crop.

Activity is expected at any time with stripping progressing at full speed. Many growers have one of the best

crops in years to sell and we are sure the potential buyers have recognized this accomplishment. I am not in possession of the answers to many of these questions but want to repeat the suggestion that during the stripping operation that damaged and inferior leaves be kept separate, and that only a minimum amount of water be used on the crop while in the tobacco cellar. Excess moisture is sure to decrease quality and buyer interest.

SWINE producers might focus some additional attention on the problem of high baby pig mortality; we are told that the average number of pigs raised per sow in 1964 was 7.2 — only one pig per litter higher than in 1930. This is not much advancement in a 34 year period. In one mid-western state only 70% of the pigs farrowed ev-

er reach the market. Cost per pig at weaning time largely depends upon the number raised per litter. Additional attention at farrowing time and during the first week of the baby pig's life should improve this situation. The use of more strict sanitation measures, supple-

mental heat at farrowing time, the use of minerals and vitamins in the ration, and more careful management should pay dividends. The swine business has often been mentioned as the "mortgage lifters" of farming; this same thought seems appropriate at this writing.

ester vacation with the Leslie Blakes. These girls are students at Susquehanna U.

Sam Williams, Jr. is attending undergraduate courses at F&M college. The past semester he had courses in government and business.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Wing, Jr. of Rosemont, Pa., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Greer last Sunday.

The newly elected officers of the Maytown Fire Co. are: Pat Crankshaw, president; Bobby Roaten, vice-president; Joe Huntzinger, sec'y.; Mike Kanoff, asst. sec'y.; Earl White, treasurer; Melvin Welcomer trustee and fire chief; Edgar Mayers, 1st asst. chief; Pat Crankshaw, second asst. chief; Bob Welcomer, engineer; Jen Arnold, asst. engineer; Mike Kanoff, hose director; Don Welcomer, assistant hose director and Richard Shirk, chief of the fire police.

MAYTOWN NEWS NOTES

Miss Grace Henderson

Scout Troop #53 committee met last week at the American Legion Home. The following are committee members: Paul Hay, chrm., Wilson Penwell, Sam Williams, Jr., Leslie Blake, Robert Freeman, Warren Rupp, and George Glattacker. Mr. Miller from County Council also attended the meeting. Sam Williams, Jr. is Scout Master and Ronald Schofield is the assistant. It was decided at this meeting to take Troop 53 to Camp Chiquetan the second week of August. They also decided to have Parents' Night Feb. 10 at 7:30. A Court of Honor will be the main feature.

Mrs. Christie Buller will celebrate her 88th birthday anniversary on Thursday.

Helen Hollenbaugh will also celebrate her birthday anniversary on Thursday.

CORRECTION: Mrs. Sarah Sload celebrated her 93rd birthday anniversary last week, instead of her 83rd, as was reported.

Scout Troop 53 attended the morning worship service at Reich's church last Sunday morning. Scout Master, Sam Williams, Jr. accompan-

ied them.

Girl Scout Troop 24 was responsible for the distribution of the yearly report of the Civic Association to the residents of the town last Saturday morning. Mrs. Sager and Mrs. Blake are the troop leaders.

The executive committee of the Civic Association met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. Haines last Thursday evening. One item of interest discussed was the new set-up for welcoming the new residents moving into our town.

Have you joined the Civic Association? Solicitors for membership will be visiting you soon. Sign up your entire family — better still — attend the meetings.

It is the Civic Association that co-sponsors the summer playground with the Donegal school district. Last year 59 beginners and 15 advanced swimmers were transported to the Mount Joy Swimming Pool by this organization.

Jack Frank, a student at York Jr. College spent the weekend at his home.

Carol Blake and her roommate are spending their sem-

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