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A PAIR OF WINNERS — Franklin Ruoss, right, shown with his grand champion 200-pound Duroc-Jersey barrow. This Masonic-Homes-Farm-bred pig is the seventh in a row of that breeding to top the 4-H pig show. At left, Phillip Leininger poses with his reserve grand champion, 180-pound Spotted Poland China gilt. Phillip's gilt was bred by Warren Leininger, Denver-R2. L. F. Photo

Grand Champion 4-H Pig Title To Duroc Shown By Franklin Ruoss

One "tradition" tumbled this grader at Cocalico Union week at the 4-H County Pig School, and is in his third Roundup, but another was perpetuated. When Franklin Ruoss, the 13-year-old son of Mr and Mrs William Ruoss of Ephrata R2, is in his fourth year of club work, and is leading a York-Duroc cross-bred for show at the New Holland Fair at the end of September.

Judge Henry Gruber of A&B Packing Company, Allentown, described the champion Duroc barrow as having "the most balance" and the type of hams we like to see. He rated the barrow as the smoothest animal in the final show-down of winners.

The reserve champion was again a Spotted Poland China. The light-weight gilt was shown by Phillip Leininger, a 13-year-old grandson of well-known Lancaster County Spotted Poland China breeder Warren Leininger. Phillip is a 9th

At the afternoon sale, Ruoss' prize Duroc was knocked down to Kunzler & Co., Inc., Lancaster, at 60. (Continued on Page 6)

County Holstein Showmen Go Dry At District Black & White Show

Lancaster County's two-year reign over the Southeastern Pennsylvania District Black & White Show came to a virtual halt at Hershey on Wednesday. The only major title retained by county showmen was junior champion, won by Linford L. Weaver, Ephrata R1. Weaver's senior yearling, Valley Lane Posch Cochran, was also named junior champion at the Regional FFA Holstein Show at Hershey on Monday.

Weaver is a senior agriculture student at Ephrata High School, and a member of the Cloister FFA Chapter. He is the son of Mr and Mrs Luke Weaver. His junior champion, a daughter of Cochran General, was won by Weaver in a chain-calf essay contest at Ephrata High School in her first year of competition at last season's FFA Regional Show she was first-place intermediate calf.

Although by-passed in titles, area Holsteinmen scored well in the ribbon department, taking a total of 86 — 44 blue, 30 red, and 12 white. With judging on the modified Danish system, all blue and red ribbon winners will be eligible to compete in the State. (Continued on Page 5)

Near Sweep In S. E. Regional FFA Holstein Class for County Showmen

Paced by members of the Cloister Chapter, county Future Farmers concentrated on the 100-head Holstein Class at Monday's Southeast Regional competition at Hershey, taking all but the top title.

Eight county boys captured nine blue ribbons, including three first placings and four major titles. The only double blue ribbon winner from Lancaster this year was Earl Stauffer, Ephrata R1.

Lady Ivanhoe Joan-Twin, shown by David D Zimmerman of Reinholds R1, repeated her last year's State Junior Dairy Show performance of reserve senior and reserve grand championships on Monday.

The junior champion animal, a senior yearling named Valley Lane Posch Cochran, was exhibited by Linford L. Weaver. Reserve junior champion, an intermediate calf.

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Cow Numbers In State Continue To Skid

According to the latest survey of the dairy cow population in Pennsylvania, released this week by the State Crop Reporting Service, cow numbers on hand in June were down five percent from last June's 788,000 head. Compared to the 1960-64 average of 861,000 cows on Pennsylvania farms, the current figure reflects a 13 percent decrease.

Farmers have fared some. (Continued on Page 9)

DHIA Directors To Consider Supervisor Suggestions Monday

At their regular quarterly meeting on Monday, August 29, directors of the Red Rose Dairy Herd Improvement Association will consider some of the recommendations suggested at a recent director-supervisor joint meeting.

Association adviser Victor Plastow urged all directors to attend Monday's meeting to. (Continued on Page 8)

Farm Calendar

Only scheduled meeting announced for this week is a DHIA directors meeting at Farm Credit Office, Lancaster, on Monday at 8 p.m.

Weather

Temperatures for the next five days are expected to average near or above the normal range of 82 to 61 degrees. It will be warmer over the weekend with cooler temperatures about Tuesday and Wednesday.

The weatherman sees little rain coming our way during the period. Scattered showers about Wednesday may yield 1/10 inch.

Pomona Grange Opposes Firearm Restrictions

At its regular meeting last Saturday, the Lancaster County Pomona Grange No. 71 went on record opposing any and all legislation to control the sale of firearms or ammunition in the following terms:

WHEREAS, There has been an honest effort by certain legislators to place the sale of all types of firearms and ammunition under federal control. (Continued on Page 4)



JUNIOR CHAMPION of Southeast District Black & White Show went to this senior yearling, Valley Lane Posch Cochran, owned and exhibited by Linford L. Weaver, Ephrata R1. L. F. Photo