

Grand Champion Steer Brings \$1.30 A Pound

HARRISBURG — "Blackie," the grand champion steer of the eleventh Pennsylvania Live-stock Exposition brought \$1.30 a pound at the auction Thursday that closed the show.

The 970-pound Angus shown by 16-year-old Scott McIntire, of White Post, Va., was purchased by Medford, Inc., of Chester, for Foresta Meats, of Phoenixville. For young McIntire, a 4-H Club member, it meant a return of \$1,261.

The price was 40 cents higher than that obtained for the champion steer last year which was shown by Jay W Fought, of Mechanicsburg, RD 2.

The auctioneer at the Exposition's closing sale was Abe Diffenbach, of Lancaster.

Spirited bidding brought a number of outstanding prices in other categories. The grand champion market lamb, an 88-pound Southdown shown by The Pennsylvania State University, was purchased for \$3.10 a pound by George's Foodliner, of Bethlehem. The price was five times

higher than that received for last year's champion.

The grand champion lamb carcass, a 57-pound Hampshire, was knocked down at \$3.25 a pound, highest price in that category since 1962. It was shown by Fred W. Williamson and Son, of Xenia, Ohio, and purchased by Kunzler and Co., Inc., of Lancaster.

Judging of breeding stock ended Thursday with the selection of champions in the Rambouillet and Merino sheep classes, and the Charolais and Shorthorn classes of the beef cattle division.

Oren A. Wright, of Greenwood, RD 2, Indiana, swept top honors in the Rambouillet judging, while Merino honors were shared by Joan Hess and Sons, of Cable, Ohio, and J. W. Cook and Sons, of Trumansburg, N.Y.

Windholme Farm, of Orange, Va., showed the grand champion Shorthorn bull, while Sangamon Farms, of Dewittville, N.Y., showed the grand champion female.

The grand champion Charolais bull was shown by Litton Charolais Ranch, Inc., of Chillicothe, Mo., while the grand champion female was shown by Michaelis Ranch, of Kyle, Texas

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competition with each other and there is also competition from imports," he noted.

Johnson said city people see farmers as either very poor "hay-seeds" or very rich. "But farmers are really businessmen with all of his problems. A farmer must be a capitalist, manager, laborer, bookkeeper and veterinarian. He has invested between \$100 to \$250 thousand," Johnson pointed out.

The big difference between the city businessman and the farmer, according to Johnson, is that if the farmer loses his business he also loses his home.

Johnson said the farmer is not to be congratulated entirely. "No other industry has put so many people out of work as the farm industry."

Still, Johnson told the group, "You belong to the biggest and most successful business in the world. Foreigners say they could produce food to feed their hungry if they had a farm credit organization," he said.

Another highlight was pre-



A CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION was presented to former Associate County Agent Harry S. Sloat (right) at the Farm Credit meeting, Wednesday, held at the Plain and Fancy Farm. Making the presentation was Richard B. Lefever, president of the Federal Land Bank Association. L. F. Photo

sentation of certificates of recognition to retired Associate County Agent Harry S. Sloat of Lancaster, and John J. Kahler, Millersburg, a director for 26 years. Sloat served in Lancaster County Extension Service from 1921 to 1959, Richard B. Lefever said in making the presentations. Lefever, president of the Federal Land Bank

Assn., served as toastmaster. The certificates noted "outstanding leadership in this community and distinguished service to agriculture and its related interests"

FLBA directors elected were Jacob N Smith, Annville R1, and Allen H Kreider, Palmyra R2. Gorge Speece, Dauphin R1, was named a director in LPCA.

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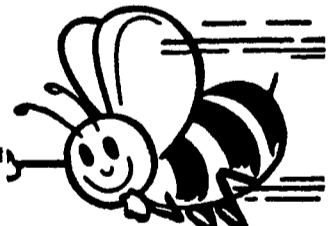
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