

Grube's Hogs Again—Add 4-H Title



Mike Grube of Elm poses with his grand championship Hampshire hog at the Lancaster Stockyards Tuesday.

Mike Grube of Elm did it again. His 220 pound Hampshire hog won the grand championship at the Lancaster County 4-H Pig Roundup and Sale at the Lancaster Stockyards Tuesday.

The animal was bought by E. W. Martin Co., local packer, for one of the top prices for a 4-H hog in recent years. Martin Co. paid \$114 a pound or a total of \$250.80.

Early this month, Grube's hogs won both the grand championship and reserve grand championship at the Eighth Annual Lancaster County FFA Market Hog Show and Sale.

The 14-year-old Grube is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Harold Grube, Elm. He is a sophomore at Warwick High School.

Grube purchased the 4-H pig from Dutch Valley Farms, where his earlier winners were acquired. The price paid for this year's champion topped last year's by 48 cents per pound.

Grube also had the top Yorkshire in the show, a 205 pound animal which was sold for 26 cents per pound to Penn Packing. The animal brought \$53.30.

The reserve champion honors went to Donald Bollinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bollinger, Denver RD2. He is a veteran showman and has been a top competitor since he was 11 years old when he won the 4-H contest.

Bollinger's 205 pound Duroc sold to E. W. Martin for \$53.



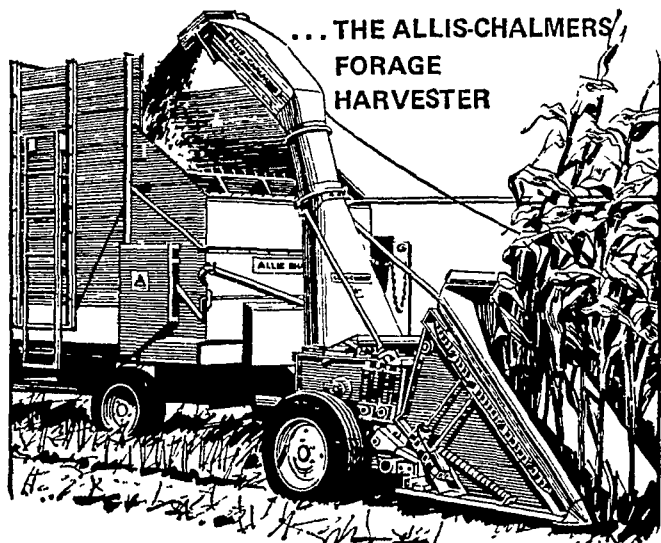
While Mike was trying to get that grand championship pose, the Hampshire had other ideas. After a hot morning in the show ring, he figured he'd earned a nap in

the water trough. Between some splashes in the trough, we finally did get the pose of champions, shown elsewhere.

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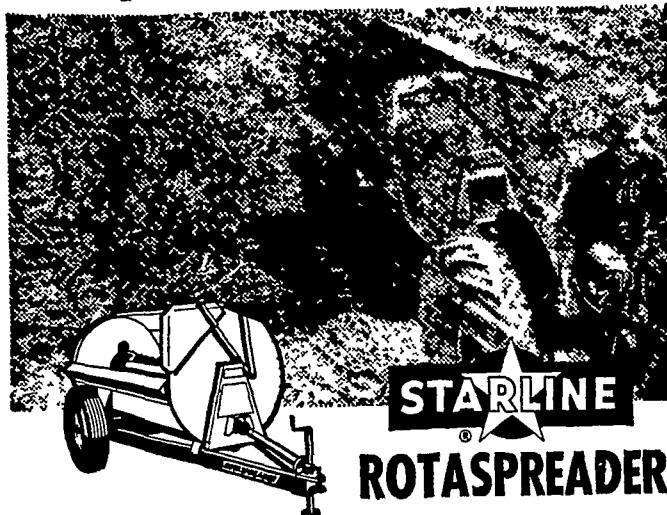
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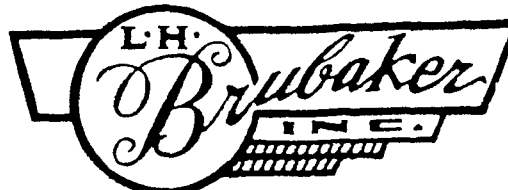
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cents per pound to bring the youth \$108.65. The youth also had the Berkshire champion which sold for \$58.18.

Other winners in the contest were Kelly Boyd, Ephrata RD1, pen-of-ten, Andy Augsberger, Reinholds RD1, Spotted Poland, Audrey Augsberger, Reinholds RD1, Poland China; Dan Baum, Elizabethtown RD3, Landrace and junior fitting and showman; Michael Hastings, Kukwood RD1, Chester White, Timothy Swain, Manheim RD2, cross-bred.

Martin Bollinger, of Denver RD2, was named senior fitter and showman.

Total cash paid for the show's 138 animals was \$6,862.28, for a 24.14 cents per pound average, including the champion. The animals weighed a total of 28,425 pounds, for a 206 pound average per animal. Pigs around the average weight brought the best prices, while those 180 pounds and under sold for as little as 18.5 cents per pound.

Auctioneer was Clyde Wolgemuth, a familiar figure at the youth sales.

Buyers supporting the 4-Hers included E. W. Martin, Kunzler, A and B, Penn Packing, Armour and J. P. Waifel.

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