

3 Hog Cholera Cases Found In Md., 2 Areas Quarantined

Three new hog cholera cases have been detected in Maryland, two in Wicomico County and one in Prince George's County. The Maryland Board of Agriculture quarantined part of Wicomico County and Animal Health officials destroyed two herds of 145 hogs and buried them immediately to prevent any spread of the disease.

The quarantine area beginning at the junction of Route U.S. 50 and Sixty Foot Road south to its junction with Maryland Route 350, thence following Route 350 east to its junction with Route 354 at Powellville, thence following Route 354 south to its junction with Route 374, thence following

Route 374 east to the Pocomoke River, thence following the Pocomoke River in a northerly direction to its junction with U.S. Route 50, thence following U.S. 50 west to its junction with Sixty Foot Road.

"Most of the hog cholera we are finding now is the pregnant sow syndrome type, such as both cases in Wicomico County," says Dr. Robert Hammond, University of Maryland veterinarian.

"In the pregnant sow syndrome, the pregnant sow seems healthy, but her piglets are stillborn, born prematurely, or die shortly after birth, because they have hog cholera. This occurs when the pregnant sow

has hog cholera or carries it," Dr. Hammond explains.

One of the farmers whose hogs were destroyed raised only 16 pigs from 20 sows since early spring. Normally he should have raised at least 180.

"What we would like is for people to report if they have any piglets die. This is important not only for the regulatory program but for the hog raiser's own benefit. One farmer has been having trouble since early spring, another since August. Neither of the farmers asked for professional help," Dr. Hammond adds.

A third case of hog cholera was found in Prince George's County, and a herd of 132 hogs was destroyed. This outbreak occurred within two miles of a previous outbreak in Charles County. The quarantine imposed on the southwestern part of Prince George's County and the northern half of Charles County August 6 will now continue for at least another 30 days.

Farmers owning pigs in quarantined areas are allowed to sell them only for slaughter. Slaughter hogs must be inspected by a veterinarian to make sure they are healthy before they leave the farm.

Livestock inspectors and state and federal veterinarians will be working in quarantined areas, and all farmers are urged to cooperate with them.

DRINC Announces Annual \$1,000 Research Award

An annual award of \$1,000 plus a plaque for outstanding research in dairy products development has been announced by Dr. Richard E. Farrah, Executive Vice President, Dairy Research, Inc., Arlington Heights, Ill.

The award, sponsored by Dairy Research through the American Dairy Science Association, will go to a university researcher chosen by a special committee of ADSA. The first DRINC award will be presented to the chosen recipient at the ADSA Annual Meeting in June 1971.

Established in 1969, DRINC is a non-profit research and market development organization whose goal is to stimulate the development of new and increased uses for milk and dairy products. It is financed entirely by milk producers, who, through their co-ops and Associations, account for about 73 per cent of all milk produced in the U.S.

"We are happy to sponsor this award program," Dr. Farrah said, "and hope it will stimulate some bold, new think-

ing towards the development of increased uses for milk."

Dr. D. H. Jacobsen, Technical Consultant to DRINC, will assist the Internal Affairs Committee of ADSA in the development of a set of guidelines for selecting recipients. Dr. Jacobsen is a former Director of ADSA, and before joining DRINC was Product Research Manager for the American Dairy Association.

Hay, Corn Winners At Ag Progress Days

Warren Bucher of Myerstown, Lebanon County, exhibited the grand champion hay sample, a mainly grass, wilted sample, at the 1970 Agricultural Progress Days at Windy Hill Farms, Titusville last week.

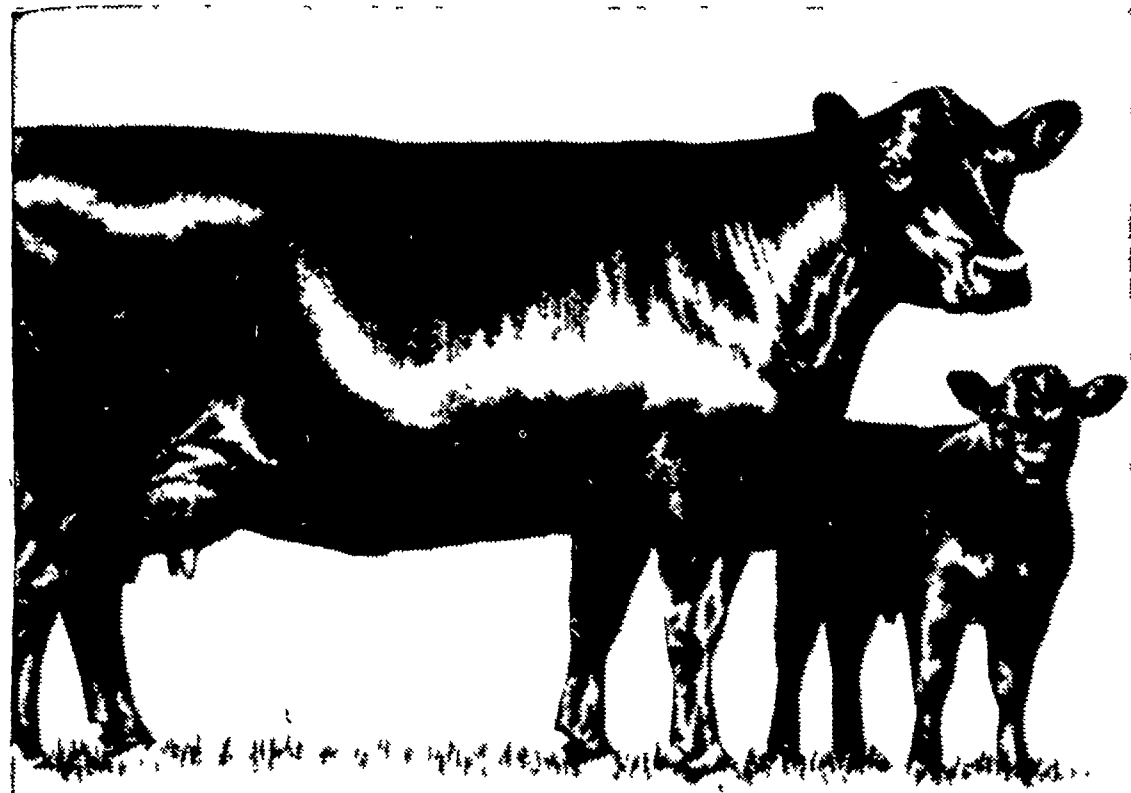
About 20,000 people participated in first day activities in which exhibits were shown by 75 farm products manufacturers and various state and federal agencies.

Reserve champion in the hay

show was Milton Hershey School Farms of Hershey, Dauphin County, a legume and grass mixed wilted sample.

Grand Champion in the Corn Silage Show was Edgar Gish and Son of Lebanon RD3. The Gish sample was whole corn plant silage with no additives.

Reserve silage champion was Ernest Mellinger of Quarryville, Lancaster County. He also exhibited a whole corn plant sample with no additives.



An excellent Angus cow is the subject of this new picture just released by the American Angus Association.

The cow has the femininity and structure to conceive regularly, calve easily and wean a heavy calf at least every 12 months.

She also has the frame, size and muscling to produce fast growing calves that will weigh at least 1,100 pounds as

bulls at a year of age. And she should pass this ability along to her daughters.

Her sons should sire steer calves that weigh at least 1,000 pounds at 365 days and produce an average USDA Choice carcass or better.

If necessary they should also be able to take longer periods of feeding and continue to gain efficiently, then grade USDA high Choice or Prime without excess fat.



SECOND SECTION

Pa. Grange Slates Officer Election

A full staff of officers, including master, for the concluding two years in a century of service will be elected by the Pennsylvania State Grange at its 98th annual meeting October 26 to 29 at Meadville.

They will serve until the centennial meeting in 1972, an event that will fall just prior to the 100th anniversary of the founding or the state unit on September 18, 1873, in Reading.

A Wayne Readinger, master, said William A. Steel, New Freedom and Washington, D.C., assistant steward, and Miss Richard Koenig, Slatington RD1, will retire under a rule limiting tenure to six years. Steel has been doubling in grange work as national director of youth activities.

Others eligible for reelection, in addition to Readinger, are Overseer, Clifford Tinklepaugh Thompson, lecturer, Miss Mildred M. Shultz, Somerset, steward, Marvin Miller, Gettysburg RD3, chaplain, the Rev. James H. Gold, Ickesburg, treasurer, John H. Minor, Waynesburg, secretary, J. Luther Snyder, Camp Hill gatekeeper, Robert E. Steese, Grove City RD1, Ceres, Mrs. Ruth Fish Towanda RD5, Pomona, Miss J. LeRoy Cooke, Cross Creek Flora, Miss William Buffington, Chadds Ford, and two elective committee members, Earl Mosier, Guys Mills RD1, executive committee, and George Cole, Limestone, finance committee. Committee members will be elected for three-year terms, all officers for two years.

Aside from elections, the Meadville session will act on resolutions, hear officer and committee reports and addresses by visiting speakers, select winners in a wide range

Farming News Briefs

IFF Cites Lititz Woman
Edna Shenk, Lititz RD2, received a Landis Certificate during ceremonies at the 25th annual convention of the International Flying Farmers Association recently in Ames, Iowa. The Certificate of Achievement was presented by Rodney M. Tinney, of Continental Motors Corporation.

Among the highlights of the family affair convention were election of international officers, a tour of the Iowa State University Agricultural Engineering and Agronomy Research Center, and a seminar on AgriFutures made up of representatives from five major farm equipment manufacturing companies.

The 1971 IFF Convention will be held in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.

The IFF, which began in Oklahoma in 1944, now has 8,000 members and 39 chapters in the United States and Canada. Other members are scattered throughout the world.

of talent contests and exhibits, and consider convention sites for the next several years, including one for 1976 when the Grange will join in celebrating the nation's bicentennial. Speakers will include State Agriculture secretary Leland Bull.

The oldest and largest farm family fraternity in both the state and nation, and possibly the world, the Grange (short for Order of Patrons of Husbandry) has been active in Pennsylvania since early 1871 when Eagle Grange No. 1 at Montgomery, Lycoming County, was instituted just four years after the founding of the order nationally.



James M. Leuenberger

Holstein Information Director Named for U.S.

The appointment of James M. Leuenberger as director of information for Holstein-Friesian Association of America has been announced by Association management.

In his new position, Leuenberger will be responsible for all internal and external communications for the breed. This will involve a major portion of his time devoted to editing the Registered Holstein News, producing feature stories and standard news releases. Other duties will include the development of promotion and information leaflets produced by the Association.

A native of Iowa, Leuenberger was raised on a Registered Guernsey farm at Fort Atkinson, Iowa. During a nine-year 4-H career, he carried swine and beef projects along with activities in junior dairy work. In addition to holding all club offices, he received the state 4-H dairy award in 1964.

During his college career, he worked at the University dairy farm on various calf feeding experiments. In 1968, he received his B.S. degree in Dairy Science with a minor in journalism from Iowa State University. He served briefly as a County Extension Assistant prior to entering military service.