

Stauffer Cow Tops at Ephrata Again

A four-year-old Holstein was crowned grand champion at the Ephrata Fair last week for the fourth time.

The animal named Smokey Beauty was owned by Earl Stauffer, who was former State FFA treasurer. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Stauffer, Ephrata RD1.

Smokey Beauty won the senior championship and first place in the aged cow competition before being named grand champion in large field.

Stauffer said Smokey Beauty produced 21,202 pounds of milk and 837 pounds of butterfat in a 66-day lactation as a three-year-old.

Besides taking the top spot at the Ephrata Fair four straight years, the animal was reserve champion at the regional FFA show and third in class at the Pennsylvania Junior Dairy Show.

Toughest competition for Stauffer came from Jay Smokey Stevens RD1, whose aged cow placed second behind Smokey Beauty and went on to become the show reserve grand and senior reserve champion.

The junior championship in Holsteins went to Ronald Grube, Elizabethtown, who had the best junior calf. Reserve placing was won by Linford Weaver, Ephrata RD1, who had a junior heifer.

In the Guernsey breed, Jesse Balmer, Lititz RD4, led a two-



Breed champions in the dairy competition at the Ephrata Fair included, left to right: Dennis Martin, Stevens RD1, senior calf, Ayrshire; Earl Stauffer, Eph-

rata RD1, four-year-old Holstein, Jesse Balmer, Lititz RD4; two-year-old Guernsey.

year-old to the breed champion spot, after first being named senior and senior reserve champions. The senior reserve champion was an aged cow.

Jesse's sister, Cheryl, had the

show reserve champion, a senior yearling also named junior champion. The junior reserve was a junior yearling owned by Ken Grube, Lititz RD4.

In the Ayrshire breed, Dennis Martin, Stevens RD1, had the grand champion, best senior calf and junior champion Daryl Martin. Stevens RD1 had the reserve grand and junior reserve champions with a junior yearling Earl Geihart, Reinholds, had the first place senior yearling.

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Cheryl Balmer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Balmer, Lititz RD4, shows her trophy after being named champion heifer at the Ephrata Fair.



Nelson R. Weaver, son of Mr. and Mrs. Luke L. Weaver, Ephrata RD1, displays his award being named champion showman at the Ephrata Fair.

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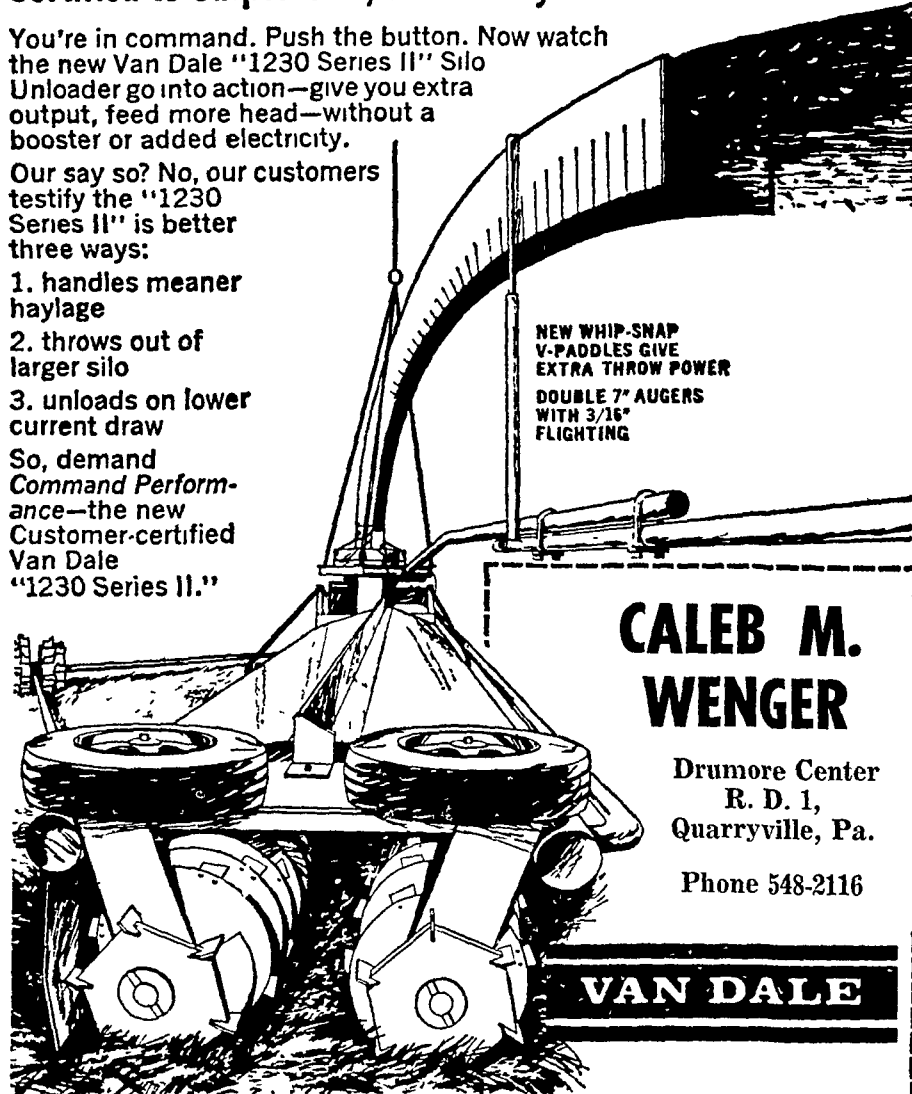
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