

## Judy Longenecker Second Report

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admit I did think Kilts were quite nice, after a bit of adjusting of my own ideas.

Again it was time to move on to the west coast of Scotland in Ayrshire County. Here I lived with the Wilsons, a family of five including two daughters, 15 and 18, and a son of 20. Their farm was a mixed farm of 350 acres with pigs, sheep and beef cattle. The main crops were barley and grass. My host sister had several ponies, so I enjoyed pony trekking (English style) one day. We won't say too much about the day after Riding English is quite different when one is accustomed to a Western Saddle!!

While in Ayrshire County, I visited my first cattle market by going to market with Mr Wilson to sell pigs. I found the market much like our own but

smaller. I should add that almost every town has its own livestock market. I also found that the cow with what I considered, good dairy characteristics not bringing as good a price as one with plenty of beef characteristics and a prospect for milk. Here in the United Kingdom, beef characteristics are most important for the bull calves of these cattle make up the larger percentage of cattle raised for slaughter. Here I also met a new cattle breed, the Bleugiey, which is a combination of a Galloway dam and a white Milking Shorthorn sire. The result is a bluish-grey colored animal with a much better potential for milk production than a purebred beef breed.

It was here in Ayrshire County that I visited Robert Burn's cottage. I also visited the Scottish Moors, which are acres and acres of peat bog. In some areas,

it is used for grazing cattle and sheep. The forestry commission is also planting evergreen trees, which given time will provide timber. The peat is used to a small degree as fuel for heating the homes.

I returned to Edinburgh several days before my actual departure to Northern Ireland. While here, I attended the Military Tattoo held at the Edinburgh Castle. The Tattoo is presented by searchlight with the Castle ramparts at the background. Massed Pipe and Drums, massed bands, a display by the Malay Regiment and a Salute to Canada were on the programme. The members of the bands included men from the Scottish, Canadian, Malayan, and English Regiments. Scottish dancers were also included. The pipe and drum bands and dancers wore the traditional kilts of their regiments' tartan, which was quite colorful. The whole evening was most enjoyable and quite a part of Scottish culture.

The Military Tattoo was a most appropriate way to conclude my stay in Bonnie Scotland. I said my sad goodbyes and on August 26, flew to Ulster (Northern Ireland).

### Soil Surveys Important

Soil surveys for agricultural purposes are important, but information found in a soil survey can be used for a great variety of other purposes, point out extension soil specialists at The Pennsylvania State University. They can be used to locate safe industrial and stable home sites, to evaluate soil conditions for highways, airports and pipelines, and to select sites for open spaces, parks and recreation areas. They are used also for determining the species of flowers, shrubs, trees and lawn grasses that will grow and thrive best and may be used as a basis for health ordinances, zoning and building codes.

## Manheim Fair Hog Brings Record \$1.42 Per Pound

John Fisher, Manheim RD1, received a record \$1.42 a pound for his grand champion hog at the Manheim Fair.

E. W. Martin Co. paid the top price for the 234-pound animal.

Kunzler and Co. paid 45 cents per pound for the 237-pound reserve champion hog owned by Earl Stauffer, Ephrata RD1.

At the FFA Baby Beef Sale, Joe Lefever, Manheim RD4, received 40 cents per pound from Kunzler and Co. for his 1,125 pound Hereford grand champion.

The reserve 1,270 pound Chalolais-Angus cross reserve grand champion steer owned by Ray Erb, Lititz RD2, was bought by Elmer Geib, Manheim RD3, for 35 cents per pound.

Other results at the hog sale included:

The champion trio, weighing 606 pounds, was sold for 345 cents per pound. Purchasing the animals from Joe Lefever, Manheim RD4, was New Holland Sales Stables.

The show had a total of 47 head, weighing 10,363 pounds. Sale average was 27.1 cents, about seven cents above the current market price.

Other youngsters selling top ranking pigs were Daniel Brandt, Manheim RD4, selling the top medium weight pig, and Allen Hess, Manheim RD3, the top lightweight.

In hogs, other top pigs were sold by David Gerlach, Columbia RD2, lightweights, and Allen Hess, heavyweights.

Other buyers for the sale were Groff's Meat Market, J. Kenneth Hoffer, Luke Peters, Lapp's Meats and Seibert's Meat Market.

Auctioneers were Elmer Murry and K. E. Miller, of E. M. Murry Associates.

Chairman of the show and sale was Mark Nestleroth.

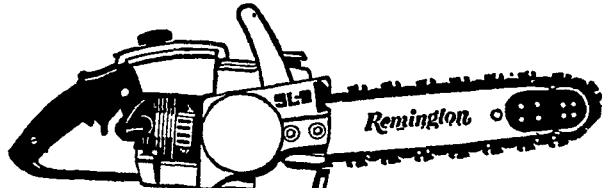
Other results from the beef sale included:

The 20 steers weighed a total of 21,360 pounds and brought an average price of 35.4 cents.

Other buyers at the sale were Leroy Geib Estate, Jacob Ruhl, New Holland Sales Stables, Seibert's Meat Market, Fulton Bank of Manheim, David Smoker, Art Oberholtzer, Manheim National Bank, J. Roy Hershey, Richard Wenger, Bomberger's Store, Elm, and N. G. Hershey.

Auctioneer was E. M. Murry Associates. Chairman of the steer show and sale was Jess Erway.

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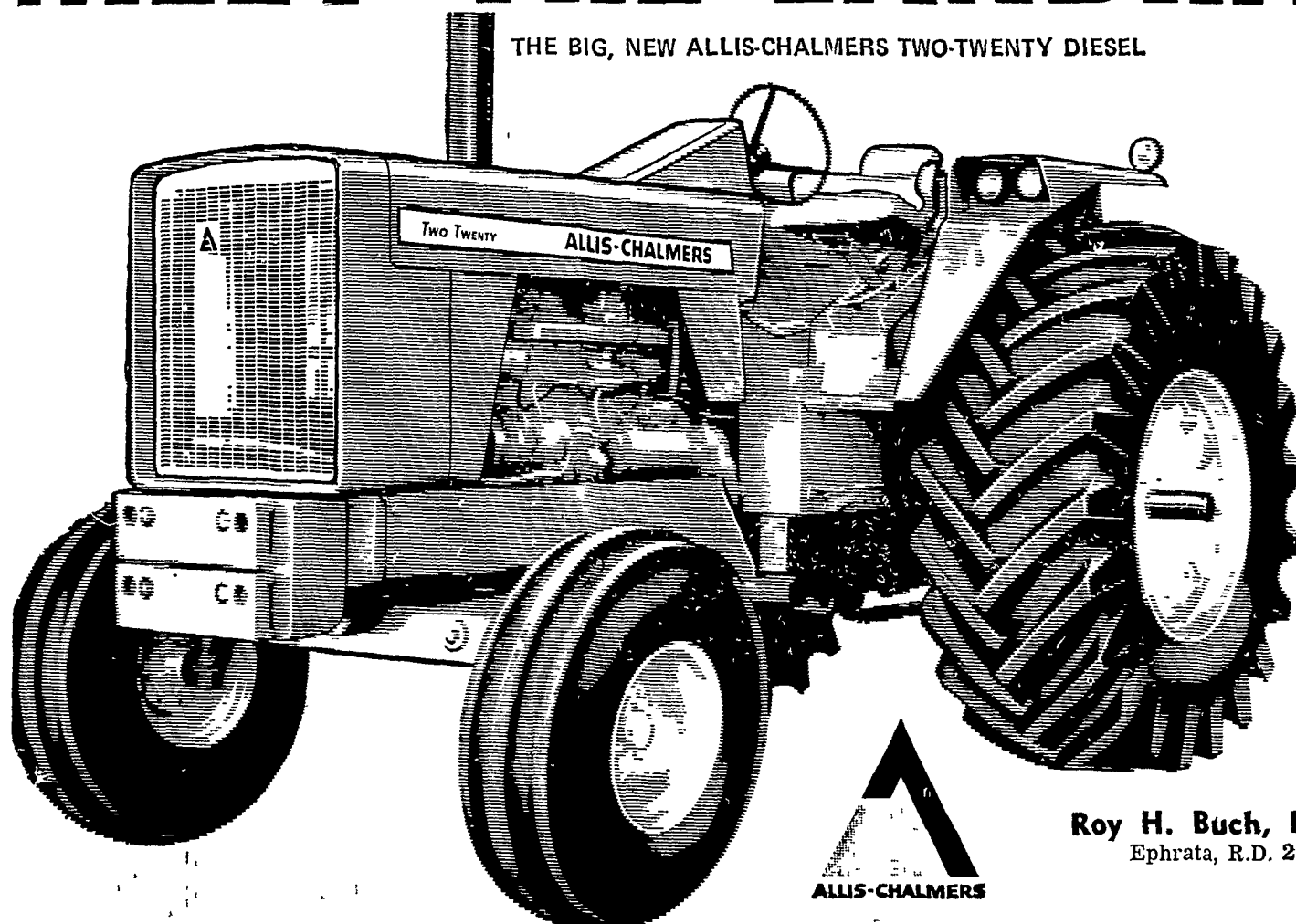
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