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*The Old Timer*



"It doesn't do much good to put your best foot forward, if you are dragging the other one."

The Southeastern Pennsylvania Ayrshire Club held a barn meeting recently at James Martin's Cocalico Farm, Stevens. A group of 75 persons attended.

Charles Ackley, Young Farmer advisor at Ephrata Area High School, demonstrated determining the moisture content of grain and forage.

**Perfect Score At Ayrshire Barn Meeting**

A sire identification contest, was held in which 10 daughters were matched to their respective sires. Winners in this contest were: Earl Keefer, Millersburg, first; David Harnish, Quarryville, second; and Glen Shaffer, Bloomsburg, third.

The high point of the morning program was the judging contest. One class each of aged and three-year-old cows were judged. Official judge was Douglas Forrest, Lakeway-Anchor Mere Farm, Rochelle, Va. Best Judges were:

Youth - Glen Hursh, New Holland, 200 (perfect score); Ray Martin, Voganville; Sharon Henley, Cochranville, and Eddie Henley, Cochranville.

Adult - Nelson Young, West Grove; Abram Shelly, Manheim, Susan Edwards, West Grove, and Mark Clark, Lititz.

George Seidel of Womelsdorf

was elected a director to replace James Esbenshade, Quarryville, who moved to Oklahoma.

Charles Gable reported on the Pennsylvania State meeting, at which time Kennard Henley, Cochranville, was elected president. Other officers are William Kline, Mars, vice-president, and Tom Crittenden, Mansfield, secretary-treasurer.

Pennsylvania Field Day will be held June 30 at Delaware Valley College. The Central Pennsylvania Sale will be held July 11 at the Carlisle Fair Grounds, and the Pennsylvania Classis Sale will be held September 25 at the Farm Show Building, Harrisburg.

A Pennsylvania Junior Ayrshire Club has been established to promote and reward junior members for achievements.

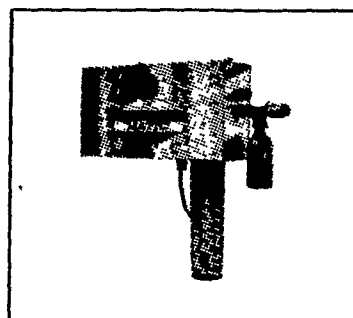
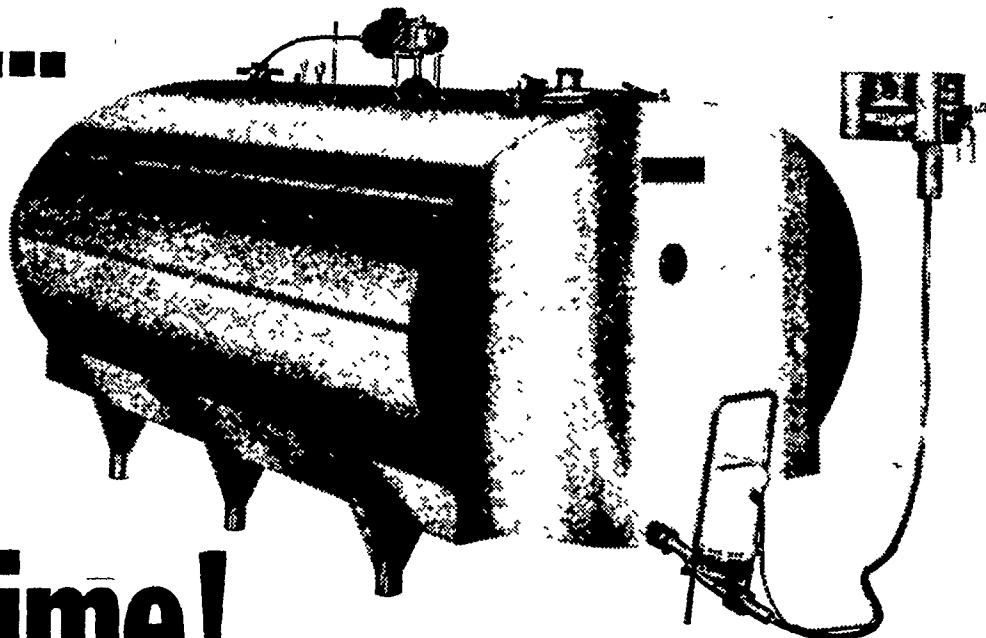
Gary Rutter, national field man from Brandon, Vt., reported on three new Ayrshire herds established in Pennsylvania, as well as four new national milk records made in 1972. Breeders were invited to advertise in the May issue of the Ayrshire Digest which will be the Pennsylvania issue.

The National meeting and sale will be held in Portland, Maine April 26-28.

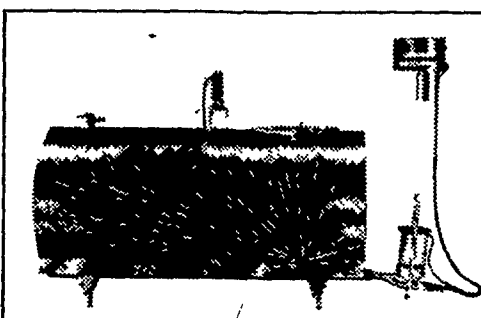
Bennet Cassell, Frederick, Md., sire analyst for Sire Power Breeding Coop at Tunkhannock, was the main speaker. He spoke of the need to test many young sires to find the good ones. With the small number of Ayrshire cattle, it is necessary for Ayrshire breeders to test all cattle possible and to identify the sire of all cows tested. Be quick to cull poor bulls and replace with a strong pedigree young bull in short. Test and identify all cows, sample young bulls and cull without mercy.

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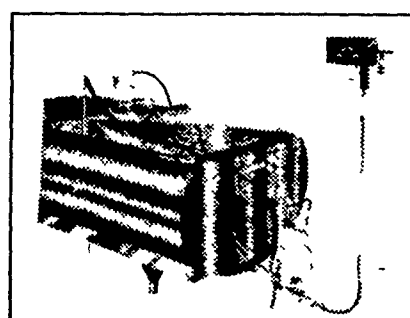
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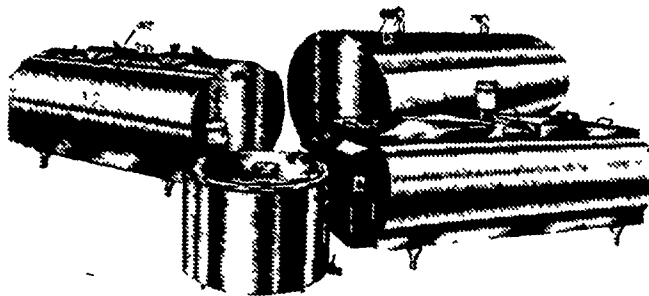


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