

Somerset youth selected Star agribusinessman

HARRISBURG - A 20-year-old Somerset County youth on Wednesday was named State Star Agribusinessman for 1976 - the highest award possible through the Pennsylvania Association of FFA. The award was presented at the State FFA Association meeting held in conjunction with the 60th Pennsylvania State Farm Show.

Thomas J. Berti, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Berti, Rockwood R3, received the award at the Association's 47th Annual Convention in the Forum of the Education Building.

Thomas is a 1973 graduate of the Somerset County Area Vocational-Technical School, and is self-employed in the greenhouse business known as Berti's Greenhouse. He started in the 1971-72 school year with a 21 foot x 28 foot wood and fiberglass greenhouse, using his savings and money borrowed from his parents. Since that time, he had added a 30 foot x 70 foot wood

and polyethylene greenhouse; also a large clearspan-truss building with a galvanized steel frame and covered with fiberglass and a 37 foot x 28 foot permanent boiler house. He is in the process of constructing a 36 foot x 42 foot steel building for storage and office space and a flower arranging room. The surprising part is that Thomas did most of the work himself. He has also found time to take an active part in the local FFA chapter.

The Star Agribusiness Award puts Thomas in the running for additional honors later this year. He will represent Pennsylvania in September in competition for the title of Star Agribusinessman of the North Atlantic Region against similar winners from the 14 northeastern states.

Competing against Thomas this year for the State Star Agribusinessman title were: David C. Nolan, Buttonwood Farms, Birchrunville, Chester County, Eastern Region; Randy L. Watson, RD3, Columbia Crossroads, Bradford County, North Central Region; and Peter B. Slusser, Jr., of RD3, Hanover, York County, South Central Region.

Deadline set for Miss Penna. pageant

Pageant Officials today announced, Sunday, January 18 as the final deadline for applications for the 1976 Miss Pennsylvania Pageant, to be staged again in Washington, Pa. at the Franklin Mall, during March. The Miss Pennsylvania Pageant is an official Miss USA-Miss Universe Contest. There is no "Talent" requirement, all judging is on the basis of poise, personality and beauty of face and figure. Applicants must be between 18 and 28, never married and at least six month residents of Pennsylvania, thus college dorm students are eligible. All girls interested in competing for the Title must write to Miss Pennsylvania Pageant Headquarters, 35 West Chestnut, Washington, Pa. 15301 by January 18. Letters must include a recent photo,

a brief biography and phone number.

The new Miss Pennsylvania will receive a \$500 Fashion Bug Wardrobe among her many prizes. She will be crowned by the current Titlest, 22 year old Pat Hurley of Wilkes-Barre, who will be present for the entire four day event at the Franklin Mall.

The girl chosen as Miss Pennsylvania, will represent the Keystone State in the Miss USA Pageant, nationally televised on CBS-TV from Niagara Falls, N.Y. in May. The new Winner will be awarded a host of prizes including her Official Jewelry and magnificent Crown provided by Sarah Coventry, Inc. She will of course spend 11 whirlwind days in Niagara Fall.

Applications must be postmarked by Sunday, January 18.

Cattle group elects officers

The Pa. Red and White Dairy Cattle Association held their annual meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 6, at the Farm Show Building in Harrisburg. Kenneth Myer, Elizabethtown R3, was elected as president of the organization with Carl Herr, Kirkwood, assuming the

vice-president duties. Aldora Young, Cogans Station, was elected secretary with Samuel Myer, Elizabethtown R3, to serve as treasurer.

Following the elections, the association selected April 19th as the date for their 2nd Annual Pen-

national Red and White Sale. The sale will be held at the Guernsey Barn beginning at 12:30 p.m. and will be managed by Mervin Scott, Ontario, Canada and Kenneth Myer.

Harry Roth, representing Atlantic Breeders Co-op, was speaker for the afternoon program and told the dairymen that 1976 looks like a good year for the agricultural enterprise. Roth cautioned however that dairymen should exercise control when spending, as costs will still remain high. The dairy official noted that good producing herds on a small basis could prove more effective than large herds producing on a smaller basis of output.

Agway to sponsor

management meeting

A meeting on dairy, livestock and crops will be held Tuesday, Jan. 20, at the Holiday Inn, Lititz Pike near Lancaster, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Sponsored by Agway Inc., the meeting will feature two speakers, Dr. Gilbert H. Porter, Agway vice president and John Porter, crops management director for Agway.

Dr. Gilbert Porter will be speaking on Agway's new herd replacement program and on dairy herd management. Roughage and forages will be the topic of discussion from John Porter.

A question and answer period will be featured during the program. Tickets for the lunch are now available from Agway

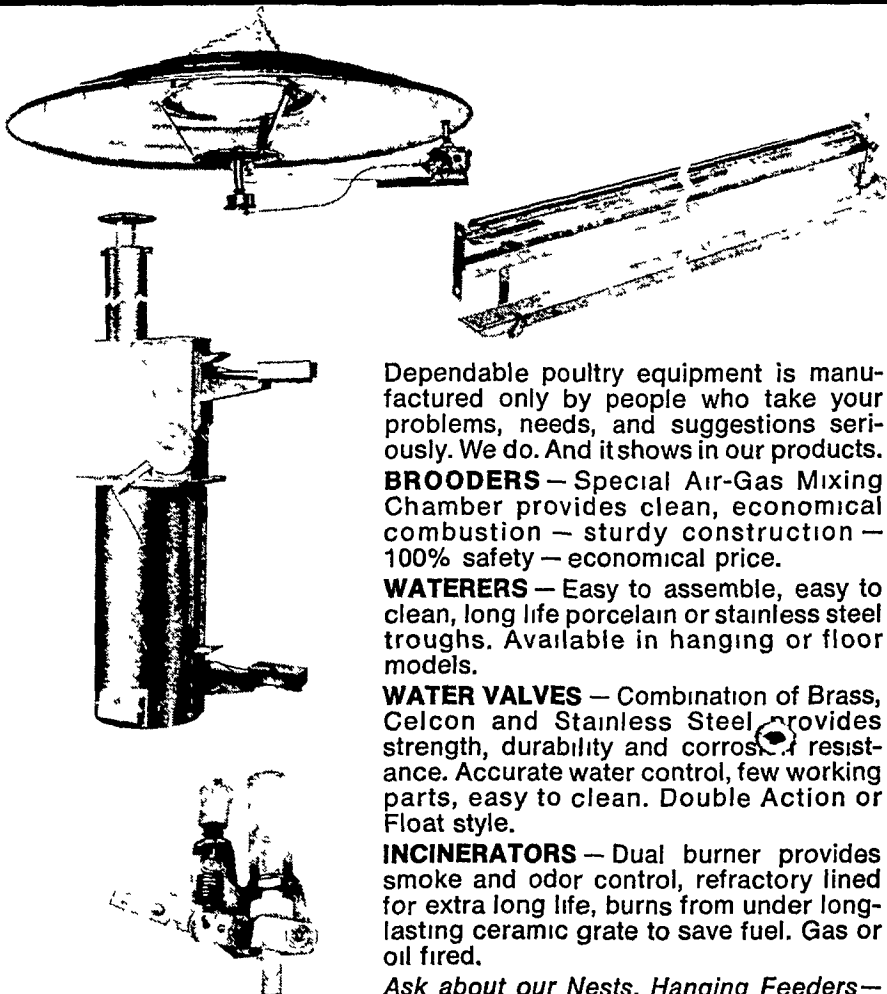
xxx
The wise man has his follies no less than the fool, but herein lies the difference - the follies of the fool are known to the world, but are hidden from himself; the follies of the wise man are known to himself, but are hidden from the world.

C. C. Colton

FORTY-TWO YEARS OF SERVICE . . .
to the farmer, to the dealer and to the packer.
May we serve you?
S. K. SHOTZBERGER, INC.
LIVESTOCK TRANSPORTATION
Gene Zwally, President
Marvin Johns, Secy.-Treasurer
P.O. Box 925, Lancaster, PA 17604
Phone: 393-4641 (day or night)

AUTHORIZED DISTRIBUTOR OF CHORE-TIME AND SHENANDOAH POULTRY EQUIPMENT

The **DEPENDABLES**
from Shenandoah



Dependable poultry equipment is manufactured only by people who take your problems, needs, and suggestions seriously. We do. And it shows in our products.

BROODERS - Special Air-Gas Mixing Chamber provides clean, economical combustion - sturdy construction - 100% safety - economical price.

WATERERS - Easy to assemble, easy to clean, long life porcelain or stainless steel troughs. Available in hanging or floor models.

WATER VALVES - Combination of Brass, Celcon and Stainless Steel provides strength, durability and corrosion resistance. Accurate water control, few working parts, easy to clean. Double Action or Float style.

INCINERATORS - Dual burner provides smoke and odor control, refractory lined for extra long life, burns from under long-lasting ceramic grate to save fuel. Gas or oil fired.

Ask about our Nests, Hanging Feeders - Turkey Nest Traps, Feeders and Waterers.



Poultry and Livestock Systems

<p>CHORE-TIME</p> <p>Advanced Air-Systems Featuring The Automatic Air Inlet</p>	<p>CHORE-TIME</p> <p>Feed Storage & Flex Auger Delivery System for Confinement Feeding</p>	<p>CHORE-TIME</p> <p>Cage Layer Systems & Components Featuring POCKMAN "Galv-A-Weld" Cages</p>
<p>CHORE-TIME</p> <p>Controlled Feeder System for Breeder Pullets and Hens</p>	<p>CHORE-TIME</p> <p>Adult Turkey Confinement Production Systems</p>	<p>CHORE-TIME</p> <p>Completely Automatic Feeding System Featuring The CHORE-MATIC</p>

Agri Equip., Inc. offers complete

- SALES
- INSTALLATION
- SERVICE



RD2 Ephrata, PA 17522
(Farmersville)

Phone
Bus. 717-354-4271

Shenandoah