

# Angus association sponsoring new event

ST. JOSEPH, Mo. - The Liberty Bell Angus Sire Evaluation Contest, the first event of its kind sponsored by a breed association, will proclaim the results of one of the most complete and practical steer show competitions on August 19-20-21 reports Lloyd D. Miller, executive secretary of the American Angus Association, St. Joseph, Missouri. The event will be a featured part of the Iowa

Expo '76's "Angus Week" held in conjunction with the Iowa State Fair, Des Moines, and will feature the progeny results of 17 Angus sires involved in the program. Other activities during the Angus Week will include the U.S. Bicentennial National Angus Show of bulls and heifers.

The Liberty Bell Contest hosts the progeny groups of 17 Angus sires all enrolled in the National Sire Evaluation

part of AHIR and a total of 254 calves are now on feed at the Beukema All-Angus Feedlot east of Newton, Iowa, off Interstate 80. The groups of 10 to 12 calves by each registered Angus sire, plus a representative number of Reference Sire calves, were all born between February and May of 1975. The calves were identified at birth by the herd owner and later tattooed with a special Liberty

Bell tattoo and number by regional managers of the American Angus Association.

In November of 1975 the calves were received at the Beukema Test Station where they were placed on a wintering ration. After five months wintering they will then be placed on 140-day feed test March 26 in time to complete the finishing period by the third week of August. After the gaining period, one-half of the steers will be slaughtered and the remaining calves will be kept for exhibition during a special Sire Evaluation Program at the Iowa Expo '76's "Angus Week" in Des Moines. Following the first

day's activities at Des Moines, the remaining calves will be slaughtered and complete carcass data made available on the progeny groups before the show is over.

The Liberty Bell event, Miller added, is designed to allow breeders to participate in the National Sire Evaluation part of A.H.I.R. and compete for top prizes in the steer progeny competition as well. Special awards and extra publicity

are being planned for the winners in the Liberty Bell Contest.

Information gathered on the progeny groups will include records of ease of calving, weaning and yearling weights, average daily gains during both the growing phase and finishing period in the feedlot, carcass quality and carcass cutability and trimmed retail cuts per day of age. Final placings will be made from this information.

## Wm. Penn's work appraised

William Penn could be considered one of history's greatest real estate developers, according to an article which appeared in a special bicentennial issue of *The Appraisal Journal*, published by the American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers.

When Penn inherited a near-worthless 16,000 pound note signed by King Charles II, he negotiated an agreement with the king to exchange the note for the states of Pennsylvania and Delaware in the New World at a price equivalent to \$1 for each 564 acres. Then, before ever stepping foot on the territory, Penn sold 2 percent of his holdings, pocketing some \$40,000. And, according to the article, "All of this was accomplished

without ever having to file an environmental impact statement or to appear before a single planning commission."

The article, "Penn's 'Greene Countrie Towne'," by Robert W. Hall, MAI, traces development of Pennsylvania and, more particularly, of Philadelphia.

A firm believer in advertising, Penn promoted the province of Pennsylvania both in the British Isles and on the Continent through a document, "Some Account of the Province of Pennsylvania," which begins:

"Since (by the good providence of God) a country in America is fallen to my lot, I thought it not less my duty than my honest interest, to give some public

notice of it to the world, that those of our own, or other nations, that are inclined to transport themselves or families beyond the seas, may find another country added to their choice, that if they shall happen to like the place, conditions, and constitutions, (so far as the present infancy of things will allow us any prospect), they may, if they please, fix with me in the province hereafter described . . ."

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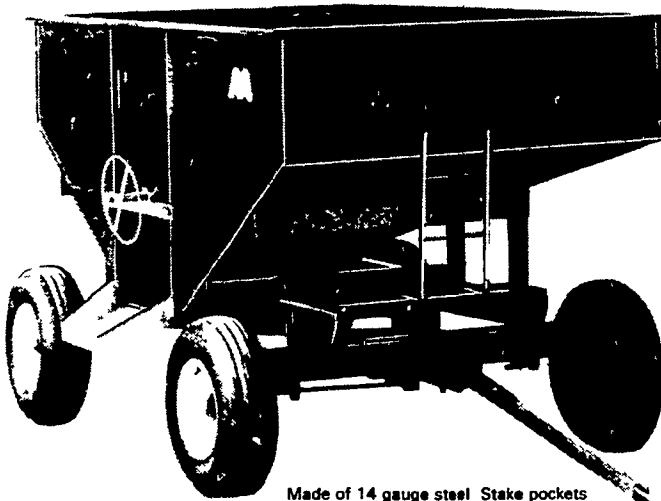
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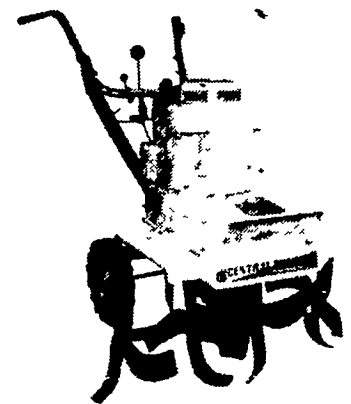
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