Solanco market hog champ goes to Phillips

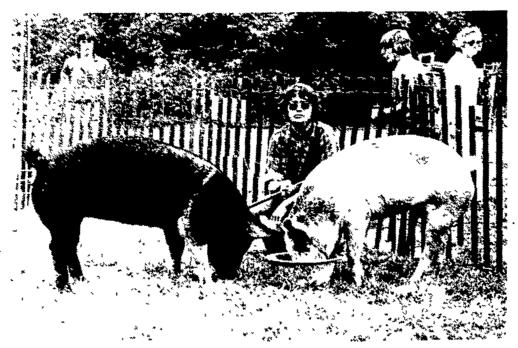
By JOANNE SPAHR QUARRYVILLE - A pair of mediumweight hogs noted for their trimness and uniformity walked away with the grand champion rosettes of the open class market hog show of the Solanco Fair last Thursday. Greg Phillips, 16, the son of Arthur Phillips, Peach Bottom R1, showed that champion pair of crossbreds which were part of his FFA project at Solanco High School this year. Although in his third year of FFA, this is Phillips' first hog show.

Judge John Henkel," Willow Glen Yorkshire Farm, Strasburg, praised the animals, saying, "They're really trim. They would do well in any show. They also had very good length of side." Henkel also like the uniformity of the pair.

To get his animals into this condition, Phillips self-fed the animals, and for about one week before the show,

et on the feed and ed them steadily. Breeder of the champion pen of two was Charles Murphy, Drumore.

Thursday's show,



Greg Phillips, Peach Bottom R1, showed the grand champion pen of market hogs at the Solanco Fair.

place fitter.

The reserve champion pen of two market hogs were heavyweights shown by Morris Young, the son of

Phillips took another win Ray M. Young, Peach when he was named second Bottom R1. The crossbred animals were bred by Carl Martin, Peach Bottom R1.

> Young, 16, a Solanco student who has been showing hogs for about

seven years, said he really didn't have to do too much to the heavyweights to get them ready for the show. Apparently, there was more to Young's fitting ability then he realized, because Judge Henkel named Young champion fitter of the show.

Champion showman went to Nelson Breneman, and reserve champion showman went to Vickie Warfel, Quarryville, R1. Richard Merers, swine herdsman for Willow Glen Farm, was judge of the showmanship contest.

All totaled, 36 animals were entered by 13 exhibitors. And, of all the FFA members who participated, all but two were from Solanco.

Results from the show were as follows:

> **Light Weight** Pen of Two

Tom Aument, Quarryville R1; 2. John

Groff, Christiana R2; 3. Philip Aument, Quarryville R1; Gordon Long, Columbia

Middle Weight Pen of Two

1. Greg Phillips, 2. Morris Young, 3. Robert Work, Peach Bottom R2; 4. Tom McMillion, Quarryville R2.

Heavy Weight Pen of Two

1. Morris Young, 2. Carl Hershey, Kirkwood R1; 3. Richard Baylis, Quarryville

Pen of Four **Market Hogs**

1. Tom McMillion, 2. Steve Todd, 597 Stony Battery Road, Lancaster.

${\it Babcock\,\, tells\,\, of\,\, new\,\, B300V}$

STRASBURG - Bruce M. Babcock, president and chief executive officer of Babcock Poultry Farms, Inc., was the keynote speaker at a dinner and program September 15 held at The Historic Strasburg Restaurant, Strasburg. Approximately 180 poultry farmers, egg producers, and allied industry men attended to hear and see Babcock reintroduce the B-300V chicken to the Pa. marketplace.

Babcock remarked about the progressiveness of Lancaster County and Pennsylvania people in the poultry business. Mentioning the new Babcock B-300V chicken, he promised good results and hoped poultry farmers would try it. He also stated that even though the Lititz Babcock hatchery had been closed down, the Ithica, N.Y. field service was still available for now and perhaps in the future the

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Fair Olympics, with both youth and open competition. The contest consisted of a course laid out which was run through by six man relay teams, with time and penalties for being off course counting. The course included a 12 foot high inclined plane, ladder monkey bars over water, tires and two barrels

The Lancaster County Upper-Class FFA judging competition was held at the Solance Fair September 15 with the various judgings being scattered throughout the fairgrounds Over 350 students participated in this

event For the first time, the new pole barn for the beef and sheep divisions of the livestock was used at the Solanco Fair. The sturdy building added to the housing room of the animals competing

Lititz plant would open

again. The evening also included a talk by Dr. Andrew Wyett, vice-president for research at the Babcock Poultry Farm, Ithica, N.Y. and a slide presentation on the Babcock story.

Wyett gave a short history of the research done for Babcock birds. Speaking of the new B-300V, he mentioned that the bird had a strengthened egg shell, and of varieties tested, including some competitive birds, the new chicken had the highest performance index, making it the most profitable. He also stated that the chicken had some improvements over liability over birds offered in the past.



Bruce M. Babcock

The slide presentation told of the 42 year old operation and gave a brief historical sketch of its growth and

research mentioning the advantages of the Babcock bird B-300V.

After the meeting, questions were answered and information pertaining to the B-300V was given out. David Delaney, Babcock spokesman for the Lititz area, told anyone interested in the new bird should contact him for further data.

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