

Livestock market and auction news

St. Louis Cattle

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54.00-58.75. Mixed Good and Choice 400-600 lbs. 60.00-63.50. Couple lots Standard and Good 500-700 lbs. Holsteins 50.50-52.75.

FEEDER HEIFERS: Choice 300-500 lbs. 56.00-61.00. Mixed Good and Choice 300-500 lbs. 50.00-57.00.

PAIRS: Lot Choice 2-3 year old cows with calves at side 480.00 per pair.

Market courtesy of USDA.

Carlisle Auction

Carlisle, Pa. November 22, 1978

STEERS: Choice 52.50-55.50; Good 49.50-52.00; Standard 44.75-48.00.

COWS: Utility & Commercial 43.25-45.50; Cutter 41.00-44.00; Canner & Low Cutter 36.50-40.00.

BULLS: Yield Grade No. 1 45.25-51.50.

CALVES: Choice 78.50-96.50; Good 67.50-80.00; Standard & Good 110-130 lbs. 55.00-70.00; 90-110 lbs. 50.00-62.50;

HOLSTEIN HEIFERS: 115.00-140.00.

HOGS: Barrows & gilt US

2 50.00-52.25; US No. 1-3 45.00-49.85;

SOWS: US No. 1-3 37.50-40.75.

FEEDER PIGS: US No. 1-3 20-35 lbs. 23.00-34.00 per head, No. 1-3 35-50 lbs. 36.00-41.00.

SHEEP: Slaughter Lambs Good 48.00-51.00.

Carroll's Market

Felton, Delaware

November 17, 1978

COWS: Utility 40.00-43.00; Cutter 37.00-40.00.

STEERS: Choice Heifers 50.00-53.00; Good 50.00-53.00; Standard 45.00-50.00.

BULLS: 45.00-50.50.

VEAL CALVES: Prime 70.00-77.00; Choice 65.00-70.00; Good 60.00-65.00; Standard 50.00-60.00; Monkeys returning to farm 50.00-80.00.

LAMBS: No test; Ewes 25.00-33.00.

HOGS: 48.00-48.25.

SOWS: -300-600 lbs. 38.00-42.25.

BOARS: 300 lbs. & up 36.00-39.25.

Pigs sold between 18.00-60.00.

New Holland Dairy

New Holland Sales Stables

Wed. November 22, 1978

Reported receipts of 143 cows, 158 heifers, and 5 bulls. Market steady with last week's market.

Load of Pa. fresh 900-1400, load of Butler County, fresh 1250-1375, springers 810-1025; load of Pa. fresh 950-1200; two loads of N.Y. purebreds and grades, fresh 900-1525, springers 910-1725; load of Canada fresh 925-1075, springers 690-725; local cows 650-1600; springing heifers, grades 750-950, purebreds 875-1100; open heifers 225-650; bulls 420-600.

Delaware opens first central milk testing lab

NEWARK, Del. - Delaware milk producers and dairy dealers need no longer travel out of state to have their products tested. The state's first central milk testing laboratory opened on November 13, 1978 at the Department of Agriculture Building in Dover.

Before the computer age, milk was tested by individuals employed by each county's Dairy Herd Improvement Association, explains Delaware Extension dairy specialist Dr. George Haenlein. These milk testers visited each farm, sampled the milk, and analyzed it themselves with their own chemical apparatus. Since the dawning of the computer age, however, the DHIA testers have found they could cover more ground by doing only the sampling and record keeping themselves, then sending the samples to a central laboratory for analyses. The collected information then is stored and processed by regional computers.

Until recently, the closest central testing laboratory to Delaware was the one which is located in Bucks County, Pennsylvania. Now, for the first time, Delaware has its own facility. The new laboratory was established with funds appropriated by the Delaware Legislature, but in time it will become self-supporting with users'

fees. Some dairy farmers pay more than \$100 per month to have their cows' production tested. The fee depends upon the size of the farmer's herd.

The Dairy Herd Improvement Association is a voluntary non-profit organization of dairy producers. In addition to testing milk, DHIA keeps records of the genetic potential of each animal based on its production and offspring. This is to insure that the best animals are bred in each successive generation.

Farmers who are not members of the DHIA may have their milk tested at the new central laboratory, but production records are only kept for members of DHIA. Members' dues and testing fees are used to pay the testers' salaries and to operate the regional computer at Cornell University. The federal government also supports the DHIA in a limited manner by providing the use of a national computer in Washington, D.C., and by lending the support of Cooperative Extension Service personnel such as Dr. Haenlein.

States are mandated by the federal government to have dairy herd improvement programs. DHIA has become the model for a number of similar voluntary producer organizations in other livestock industries.

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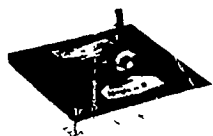
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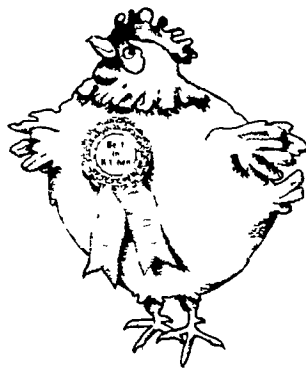


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Tractor stolen from York man

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The tractor had brand new Goodyear tires. The serial number is T213P161594R and the engine number is 23E166093.

Also stolen were hand tools, a power chain saw, and hydraulic jack.

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regarding the stolen property should contact Schriver.



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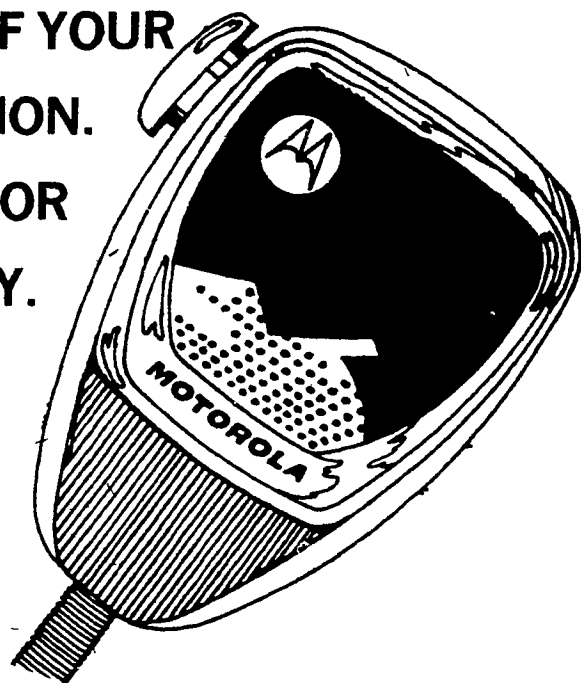
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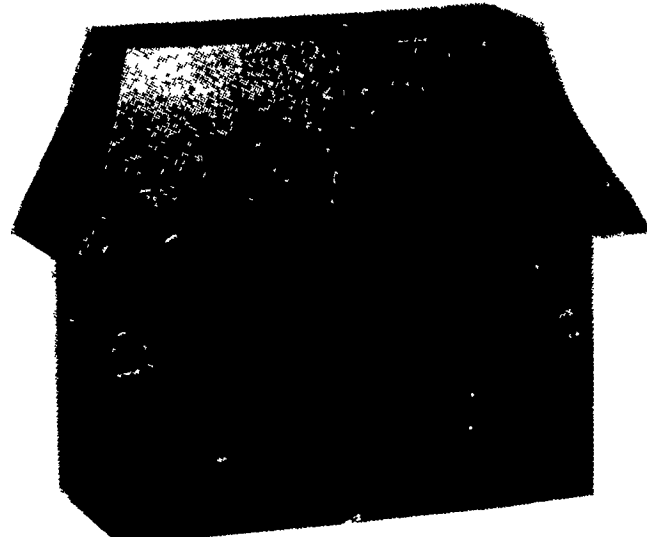
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