

## Pa. Shorthorn Breeders elect new officers

**BUTLER** — Officers elected at the 1980 Annual Dinner Meeting of the Pennsylvania Shorthorn & Polled Shorthorn Breeders' Association on Feb. 16 were president, Richard C. McElhaney, McElhaney Stock Farm, R.D. 1 Hookstown; vice-president, Gregg Kerr, Duncancroft, R.D. 1 Saxonburg; and secretary-treasurer, Mr. & Mrs. Richard C. Peoples, Mapleview Ranch, R.D. 2 Volant.

Directors elected to 3-year terms were: Jim Fogal, Tuscarora Shorthorns, Neelyton; George Six, 6'S Polled Shorthorns, R.D. 1 New Freeport; Denise Whiting, D.L. & D.R. Enterprises, R.D. 1, Box 258A, Eidenburg, Pa. 16116 and George Fairchild, Breezy Acres Ranch, R.D. 1, Monroeton.

Eric Peoples was appointed to serve as the junior representative on the Board of Directors.

Plans were made for several 1980 events. The Annual Spring Sale will be held at the Mercer 4-H Park on Saturday, May 3,

beginning with a show at 3 p.m., followed by the sale at 7:30 p.m.

The Pennsylvania State Shorthorn Show will be held in conjunction with the Greene County Fair, Aug. 3-9 at Waynesburg. The date has been set for the Annual Fall Sale to be held at Waynesburg on Saturday, Oct. 18.

The Pennsylvania Junior Association announced it will be holding a raffle again this year to help defray the expenses of the juniors attending the 1980 National Junior Shorthorn Youth Conference in Rochester, Mn., June 13-15. First prize will be a Frey Brothers Blocking Chute, 2nd prize a Goose Down Vest and 3rd prize a Leather Show Halter. The drawing will be held during the 1981 Pennsylvania Farm Show in Harrisburg. The Pennsylvania delegates to the 1980 Youth Conference will be Nadine Butler of Clinton and Sheila Peoples, with Jeanne Peoples serving as alternate.

## Top dollar paid for Belgian mare

**HARRISBURG** — The first draft horse and mule sale was held at this year's Farm Machinery Exposition. The sale was held after the Thursday morning show, also a first at the Expo.

The high selling animal consigned at the sale was a Belgian filly, Julie Du Marais. The young draft horse was sold by Jacon L. Kanagy, Belleville.

Julie, who is not quite a year old will be travelling to

Fisher, West Virginia today. She was purchased by Emory Crites, a farmer and machinery businessman, for the top dollar of \$2750.

Crites said he has been in the horse-raising business all of his life, recalling his father always loved horses and working with them. Presently, Crites said he has around 20 grade Belgians, along with twenty-five to thirty saddlebred light horses.

The West Virginia farmer

raises roughly 500 head of beef cattle, too, on his two farms of 620 acres total. Besides the young stock, Crites runs a herd of about 200 commercial cows, primarily Charolais, Hereford, and Angus, and rents close to 500 acres in addition to the land he owns.

In his spare time, Crites takes his big heavy horses in parades. He said they are somewhat of a hobby for him.

Before coming to the sale

in Pennsylvania, he had travelled to a sale in Columbus, Ohio, but didn't find anything that matched what he was looking for and his pocketbook too. Crites said he came to the Expo sale to buy a couple of the better draft horses.

The grand champion stallion was pulled from the sale when the bidding closed at \$2750.

There were twenty-two animals consigned for an average price of \$1162. SM

## USDA approves meat extenders

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** — The U.S. Department of Agriculture added two enzyme-treated milk products to the list of binders and extenders approved for use in meat and poultry products, effective February 15.

Under revised meat and poultry inspection regulations, enzyme-treated calcium-reduced dried skim milk will be permitted in sausage, imitation sausage, nonspecific loaves (luncheon loaf, honey loaf, etc.), soups,

stews and various poultry products. Enzyme-treated sodium caseinate will be permitted in all those products except sausage.

Rennet, the enzyme used in treating calcium-reduced dried skim milk and sodium caseinate, has been used for many years in making cheese. Rennet is generally recognized as safe by the Food and Drug Administration and does not alter the nutritional character of the binder-extendere.

The revised regulations were published in the February 13 Federal Register. For a copy of the final impact statement, write to: Robert G. Hibbert, Meat and Poultry Standards and Labeling Division, FSQS, USDA, Washington, D.C., 20250.

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