

# KILE

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always held the first week in November, right before KILE," he said, "and there were problems moving livestock in for KILE because of the overlap in moving horses out."

But the change in dates does have some drawbacks. Halloway pointed out, it's a bad time to hold KILE because it will fall at a time when farmers are filling silos.

Sharing her sentiments, but from a slightly different perspective, was Roger Bankert, president of the Pa. Duroc and Chester White Associations. He said he personally would rather have the show in November because farmers will be picking corn in October.

Bankert also noted that having the show a month earlier will create problems for hogmen in getting the weight on their animals. He recalled that the May gilts he showed at previous Expo's were 40 pounds smaller than the April gilts—and now, he said, the show is a whole month earlier.

"You can't go into your May pigs for a show prospect," Bankert stated, "and expect to reach the 190 pound weight limit. They just won't have the size. You're going to need April pigs."

"If the KILE committee would have told us back in November about the change of date, we could have bred our sows right after last year's Expo, and would have

been finished breeding in December. As it stands now, some breeders were still breeding their sows in February."

Mrs. Clyde Brubaker, a Lancaster County Hampshire sheep breeder, commented that people will need to gear their hogs, sheep, steers, and lambs with the earlier date in mind.

"A lamb can gain a lot of weight in one month's time. No matter what the age of the lamb, the ration will have to be increased at just the right time to be ready."

As far as the affects the new date will have on the show schedule of sheep producers, Brubaker said she felt the only conflicts would be in schedules of local fairs, like Manheim.

But, concerning the bred ewe sale scheduled for October 4, she said the buyers will have to know that the ewes they're buying were with the ram one month less. This will mean a

change in the wording of the terms of the sale regarding breeding, she added.

The breeding swine sale that has been tentatively planned for KILE will be an added incentive for many exhibitors to bring hogs to the show.

Leon Arnold, a swine producer in Lebanon County, stated he doesn't show breeding stock where he has to bring them along home—it has to be a show, sale combination.

Arnold said he thought there may be more of a market for boar hogs at the newly scheduled October KILE than there would have been if the show date was not changed and the sale held. "You don't want much traffic of new pigs in Winter," he said.

Bankert also felt the sale of breeding swine would be a good idea. "You can get pigs home in October and have them bred in November without disease problems in your breeding gilts. If you

buy an open gilt at KILE and bring her to the Keystone Classic, (held in late February at the Farm Show), as a bred gilt, it will be a good business venture," he said.

Lowell Wilson, secretary of the Pa. Cattlemen's Association, said the association feels it is a good idea for the change of Keystone's date. But, he added, it will mean some cattle breeders will have a more difficult time getting their cattle ready on time.

"It was essential for KILE to have an earlier date so that the show will continue to grow," he concluded.

The Twenty-Fourth Annual Keystone International Livestock Exposition will have four horse shows: Appaloosa, Friday, October 3; Paint, Saturday, October 4; Quarter Horse, Sunday, October 5; and Arabian, Monday, October 6.

The National 4-H Horse Judging Contest is scheduled for Saturday, October 4, with

the National Horse Bowl on the same day. The Northeast Regional Intercollegiate Horse Judging Contest will take place on Saturday, also.

The Intercollegiate, 4-H, and FFA Livestock Judging Contest will be held on Friday, October 3. And on Monday, October 6, the Keystone Livestock and

Meats Judging Contest will take place.

Feeder pig and feeder calf sales are scheduled for Friday, October 3, with the bred ewe sale to be held on Saturday, October 4.

The Premium List and entry cards will be mailed around July 1, 1980. The entry deadline is August 31.

## Broilers chick placement up

**HARRISBURG** — Placements of broiler chicks in the Commonwealth during the week ending April 12 were 2,281,000, according to the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service.

The placements were eight percent above the corresponding week a year earlier and four percent above the previous week. Average placements during the past nine weeks were four percent above the previous week.

Placements in the 21 key poultry producing states were 81,896,000, one percent

above the previous week but one percent below the same week a year ago. Average placements during the past nine weeks were four percent above a year ago.

Broiler-fryers slaughtered in Pennsylvania under Federal inspection during the week ending April 2 totaled 1,697,000, with an average liveweight of 4.04 pounds.



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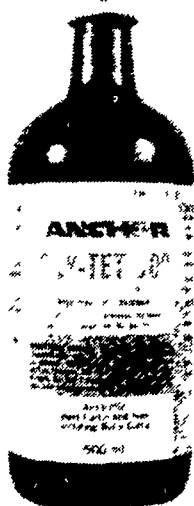


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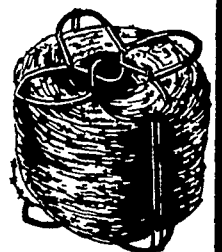
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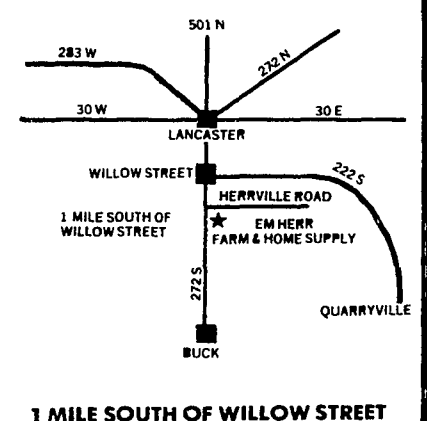
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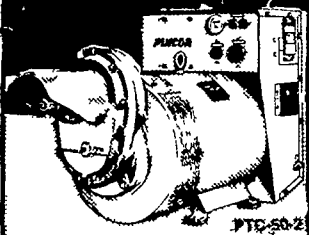


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