

Lycoming County Fair sets livestock judging schedule

WILLIAMSPORT — Monday, July 14, at 10 a.m. the Market Lamb Show at the Lycoming County Fair will get under way in the Livestock Arena. There are seven market lambs entered. Carl Everett, Vo Ag Teacher, Bloomsburg, will be the judge.

The Open Sheep Breeding Show will follow Harry Rogers Jr. of Hughesville, is Show Chairman, with over 100 head entered.

The Steer Show is scheduled for 6:30 p.m., Monday, July 14 with 30 head entered. The Beef Breeding

Show with 14 head will follow in the Livestock Arena. Tony Dobrosky, York County Agent will be the Judge.

Tuesday, July 15, will feature the Market Hog Show starting at 9 a.m. Tony Dobrosky, York County Agent will judge the 30 entries.

The Youth Dairy Show will get under way at 10 a.m., Tuesday, July 15 in the Livestock Arena. Dick Packard of Troy, will be the type judge and Dick Plotts, Clinton County Agent will judge fitting while Larue Thomas, Tioga County Agent will select showing winners. There are 75 head entered.

Wednesday, July 16 the Open Dairy Show starts at 9

a.m. with 165 head entered. Obie Snider, of Imler, will be the type judge.

Thursday, July 17 the Open Halter Show starts at 9 a.m. and the Open Pony Show gets under way at 1 p.m. Jack Wagner, of York, will be the judge.

Thursday, July 17, 7 p.m., the Youth Livestock Sale will get under way in the Livestock Arena. Market lambs, hogs, and steers will be offered at public auction

to the highest bidder. Arrangements for trucking may be made at sale time. Max Fraley and Son, Clarkstown, will be the auctioneer. Elwin Ream, Hughesville is sale chairman.

If you would like more information on any of these events, please contact William E. Messersmith, Extension Service, Courthouse, Williamsport, 717/323-9811 Ext. 2350.

Rules toughened on interstate swine shipment

LITITZ — Beginning July 1, federal regulations for moving feeder pigs across state lines were strengthened in an effort to prevent the spread of pseudorabies, an official of the U.S. Department of Agriculture said.

Jim Downard, chief staff veterinarian of pseudorabies activities for USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, said feeder pigs moving across state lines must either be tested and found negative for pseudorabies or originate in a state with authority to quarantine herds where the disease is diagnosed or suspected.

Federal shipping regulations for pseudorabies went into effect Feb. 16, 1979, except for the regulation requiring state quarantine, which was postponed until July 1, 1980. Thus, states had over a year to obtain legislative authority to

quarantine affected herds, Downard said.

Pseudorabies—also known as Aujeszky's disease, mad itch and infectious bulbar paralysis—is a virus disease primarily affecting swine. It also can spread to cattle, sheep, wildlife and dogs, where it is often fatal. It does not affect humans, however.

Under the federal pseudorabies requirements, a known infected herd must be quarantined and animals can be moved out of the herd under stringent regulation, either directly to slaughter or to quarantined feedlots and then to slaughter, Downard said.

Producers can have their herds released from state quarantine by.

Removing all swine found infected—by test—from the premises;

No livestock on the premises have shown clinical signs of pseudorabies after the in-

fecting swine are removed; or,

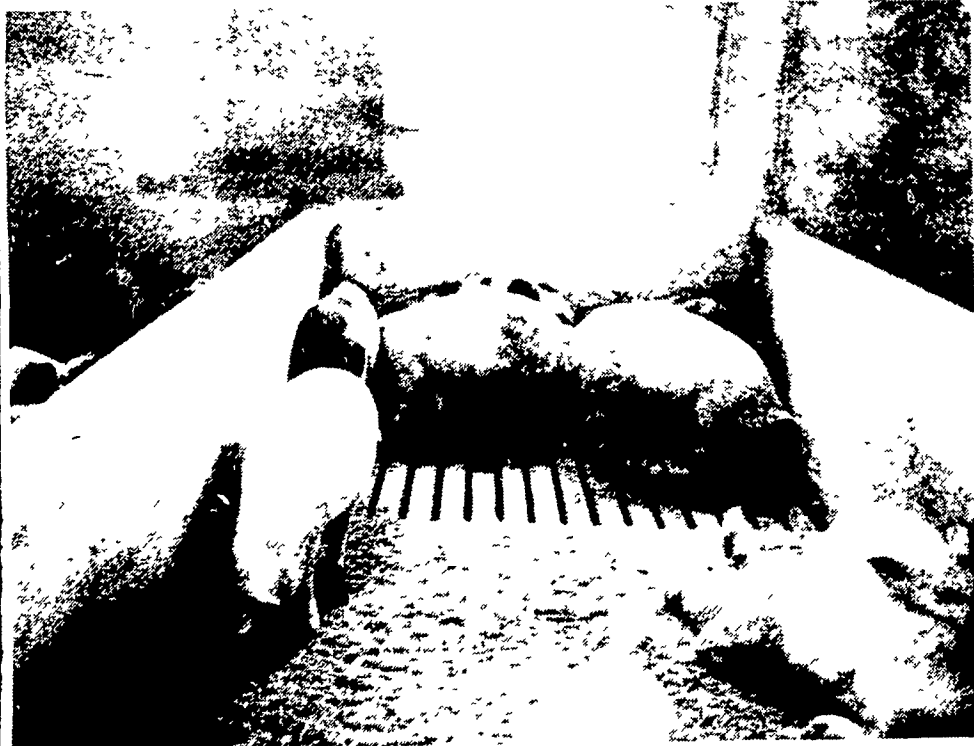
All swine have been sent to slaughter; the premises left empty for 30 days and then cleaned and disinfected with one of the disinfectants recommended to destroy the herpes virus.

Downard said most states have the legal authority to quarantine the premises of known infected herds and the rest of the states are in the process of obtaining this authority.



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