Frey bull is reserve Sr. champ

Competitive 1980 Angus Breeders' Futurity staged in Louisville

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — A full-house crowd packed the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center to witness the debut of many of the Angus breed's leading contenders for the 1980-81 show season from July 28-29 at the 33rd American Angus Breeders' Futurity in Louisville, Kentucky.

Doug Parrett, University of Illinois, Champaign, selected the champions from a field of 137 entries in one of the most competitive Futurities ever.

Briarhill Jay, grand champion bull, captured the supreme championship for owners James J Hicks, M D , Union Springs, Alabama; Picket Fence & Lincolnland, Grayslake, Illinois; and L.B. Pierce & Sons, Inc., Creston, Illinois. The May 11, 1978, bull tipped the scales at 2,015 pounds on show day and measured 58.25 inches at the hip.

Creston Mr America stood as reserve grand champion bull The May 2, 1979, bull is owned by Weaver Angus Farm, Peoria, Illinois; and Mr and Mrs W B Henley, Paso Robles, California He weighed 1,445 pounds and stood 57 inches at the hip

R&J Duchess 1239 moved into the grand champion female spot The April 26, 1979, heifer was a joint entry of R&J Ranch, Briggs, Texas, Empire Angus, Pleasant Hill, Missouri, Gallagher's Farm, Inc., Ghent, New York; and Picket Fence Farm, Grayslake, Illinois. Her hip height was 53.75 inches.

Reserve grand champion heifer honors went to Archies Emma, a January 18, 1979, entry of Premier Beef Cattle, Fowlerville, Michigan; and Buck & Barbara Stevens, Point Reyes, California. The reserve champ measured 54 inches.

Most of the group awards went the R&J Ranch way. They topped the Best Six Head class and put together Premier Jackpot progeny to take first in the senior get-of-sire class.

R&J won the Produce of Dam award with offspring of Albern Duchess 5773. The offspring were grand champion female R&J Duchess 1239 and reserve intermediate champion bull R&J Ike, the same two animals that earned the McCorkle Challenge Trophy given to the best bull and best female shown together and owned or co-owned by one exhibitor R&J Ike is co-owned by R&J Ranch and Briarwood Farms, Curtis W. and Ann H. Long, Butler, Missouri.

Briarhill Angus Farms, Union Spring, Alabama, owned the top junior get, sired by Briarhill Bartman, and also won the Premier Exhibitor award.

Continental was the serve senior champion bull entered by Continental Associates, Phelps, New York; and Fred C. Frey & Sons, Quarryville, Pennsylvania.

Champion of the junior bull division was Summitcrest Puritan, jointly owned by Summitcrest Farms, Summitville, Ohio, and Briarwood Associates, West Bend, Wisconsin.

Reserve junior champ was Rosebank Connection 69, owned by Rally Farms, Millbrook, New York; Rosebank Angus Farm, Germantown, New York; and Timber Valley Farms, Dawn, Missouri.

Skarship Farm, Hillsdale, New York, took bull calf champion honors with Skarship Primemover. Jane Dawes, Urbana, Indian, stood in reserve with DD Black Stud 929.

Leland J Boggs, Claverack, New York, led out the intermediate champion heifer, Sir Wms Patricia 982. Mr. and Mrs Sayre MacLeod, Phelps, New York, took reserve intermediate honors with Blackcap 434L of Sayre.

Heifer calf champ was Briarhill Joan, co-owned by James J. Hicks, M.D.; Briarwood Farm; Lovana Farms, Inc., Clarksville, Georgia; and Picket Fence Farm.

George Fincher, Auburn, Alabama, owned the reserve heifer calf champion, Briarhill Blackcap 969.

Bill Avery received the Robert L. Asher Memorial Trophy for being the outstanding herdsman at this year's show. He's herdsman for Premier Angus, Inc.,, Cloverdale, Indiana.

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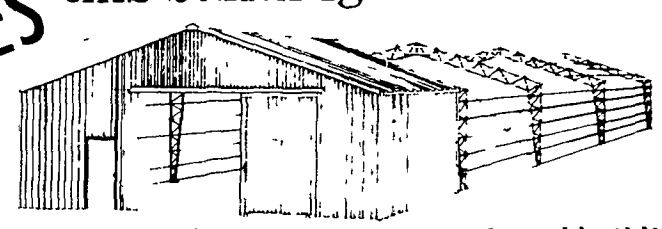

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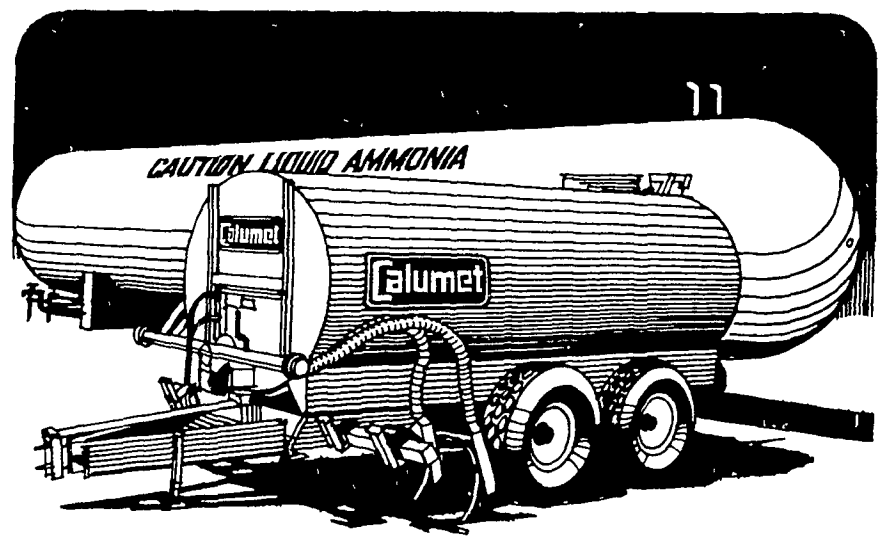

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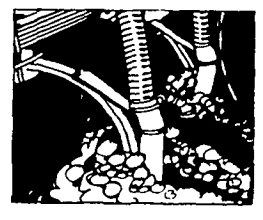

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