

Franklin Co.

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Champion and Reserve Champion honors. It was the first Franklin County Jersey Open Show, at the Franklin County Fair in conjunction with the Guernsey Show. The winners' three year old Reserve Grand Champion was his two year old Reserve Grand Champion of both the open show 4-H and FFA show. Junior Champion open show honors went to David Robinson of Waynesboro his Junior Yearling and Reserve Junior Champion

honor went to a Senior Yearling owned by Douglas Martin, Chambersburg.

Junior Champion 4-H and FFA Show honors went to Doug Martin's senior yearling while Doug's sister Tina won Reserve Junior Champion with her senior heifer calf.

Doug Martin was also named both Grand Champion Fitter and Grand Champion Showman during the Jersey 4-H and FFA Showing and Fitting Contest.

Doug is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Martin

CHAMBERSBURG — Winners were named in several FFA contests during the Franklin County Fair, held last week in Chambersburg.

Among the ribbon winners were:

FFA TRACTOR DRIVING CONTEST - 1. Bentley Gamble, Path Valley; 2. Mike Offutt, Path Valley; 3. Harold Fitz, Waynesboro; 4. Rick Rosenberry, Chambersburg; 5. Jesse Reichard, Waynesboro.

FFA DAIRY JUDGING CONTEST - 1. Mike Offutt, Path Valley; 2. Jerry Negley, James Buchanan; 3. Keith Bricker, James Buchanan; 4. Steve Mong, Waynesboro; 5. Edward Umbrell, Path Valley.

FFA LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST - 1. Jere Wingert, James Buchanan; 2. Craig Burkholder, James Buchanan; 3. Ivan Niswander, James Buchanan; 4. Mike Neslon, James Buchanan; 5. Bentley Gamble, Path Valley.

FFA ROUNDUP - 1. Robert Shank, Waynesboro; 2. Timothy Meyers, James Buchanan; 3. Mike Nelson, James Buchanan.

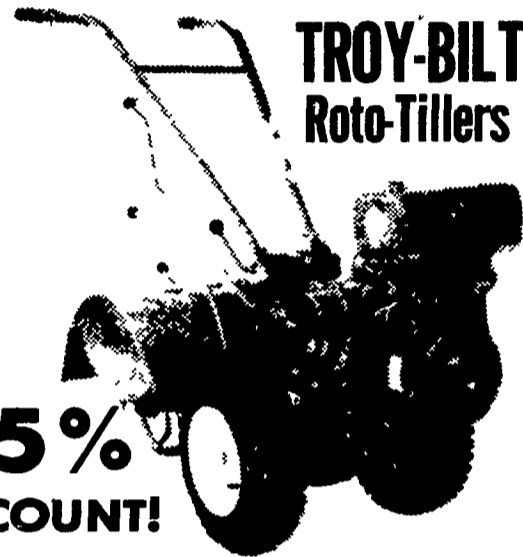
GROUP EXHIBITS - 1. Chambersburg FFA; 2. James Buchanan; 3. Path Valley FFA; 4. Waynesboro FFA.



John Mummert, left, Chambersburg, received Reserve Junior Champion and Douglas Layman, of Waynesboro, right, won Junior Champion honors during the Franklin County Guernsey Open Show.

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Lehigh VP sounds call for dairy organization

ALLENTOWN — "History has clearly demonstrated that dairy farmers need to belong to an effective dairy organization," suggests John C. York, Vice President, Member Relations, Lehigh Valley Farmers.

The past three decades have demonstrated that dairy farmers have repeatedly found themselves left without a secure milk market. Milk companies after milk companies have

exited from the milk business for one reason or another. Thousands of farmers were dropped and left without a milk market and many never recovered the money for the milk they sold when bankruptcies occurred.

The reason for such happenings can be traced to many factors. In fact, the reasons may differ as between various parts of the country, the market, or by company for these failures, York said.

The future clearly indicates a constant trend toward the growth of milk marketed by cooperatives across the United States. The Northeast will follow this same pattern and it appears that the Northeast is on the brink of an acceleration in this direction, he said.

The Farmers Cooperative Service, a branch of the United States Department of Agriculture, suggests sweeping changes in the structure of dairy industries by 1985.

They predict a volume of milk marketed by cooperatives is expected to reach 98 billion pounds—about 80 percent of all the milk sold to plants and

dealers. In addition, they expect the amount of milk bottled or manufactured by cooperatives will increase to 41 billion pounds.

Lehigh Valley Farmers, through its affiliation with Atlantic Processing Federation, is capable of meeting today's and tomorrow's industry challenges, York said.

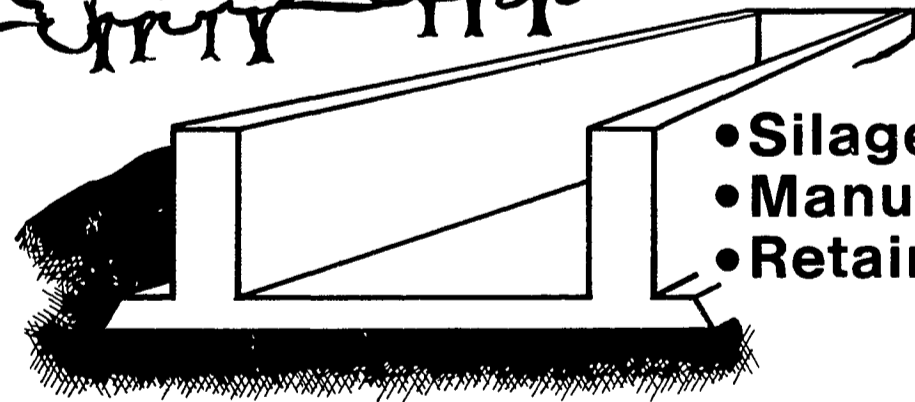
He said Lehigh will provide a strong contribution to the stability of the dairy industry of the Northeast. It can assure markets for dairymen today and in the future.

Through its organizational structure, it is a leader in the State of Pennsylvania with respect to such items as packaging whole milk, balancing of surplus milk and the production of cheddar cheese, York said.

"Dairy cooperatives, like Lehigh, will continue their growth trends while there can be expected a continuous decline in milk bottling firms.

"The role of Lehigh will expand as a stabilizing force in assuring dairymen outlets for their milk in the future. This will all add up to a plus for dairymen who are in the region serviced by Lehigh," according to York.

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