## ican Agri. Na Survival-Success in the '80's

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HERSHEY - Chocolate town, U.S.A. will be the center of tempting events next week and it's not due to candy.

American Agri-Women from across the country will meet for their annual convention, November 10 to 13, at the Hershey Lodge and Convention Center and will numerous feature workshops with broadcast personalities and farm women.

Penn's Agri-Women, the only affiliate in the east 1s hosting the event which is being held for the first time in this region and probably the last time for quite awhile, according to Emilie Welsh, publicity chairman. This is due to the fact that Agri-Women members are located in 35 states across the country.

According to Gail Mc-Pherson, state president of Agri-Women, AAW is a coalition of 20 affiliates and individual members representing 22,000 members located throughout the country.

"It is a completely volunteer organization with no professional staff; only dedicated women who take time from their busy farm and family lives to do the job that needs doing so badly.'

American Agri-Women hope to be the voice for farmers because "they're so busy working to produce the best and most food in the world to speak up for themselves"

At the convention, a Media Communication Workshop lasting from 8 a.m. till 5 p.m. will be presented all three davs.

Monday's opening session will be on the Incredible Bread Machine. On the panel will be Hiram Drachey and

critical food issues.

Tuesday's opening session will be Washington On The Line and will include an international panel of foreign agricultural attaches representing Australia, Brazil, and the Netherlands. Moderator will be Larry Waterfield, Washington, editor of the Packer.

Land use, importing and exporting, fruit and vegetable trade will be discussed.

Following a luncheon, Eileen Nutting, Agriculture Advisory Committee, Michigan Department of Agriculture, will talk on The Double Burden of Soviet Farm Women. The afternoon session Tuesday will include a debate, Should Food Be Used as a Foreign Policy Tool?

Wednesday there will be a convention tour to Donegal Mills Plantation, Groff's Restaurant for lunch and to Sperry New Holland's plant.

Thursday morning Lilly Vincent, director of Consumer Information, USDA will be speaking on People on the Farm.

Puppetry will be utilized throughout the program at various occassions as a wide variety of fruits, vegetables and meats come to life. Then on Tuesday evening a puppet show will be shown for pediatrics at the Hershey Medical Center.

American Agri-Women, who follow the motto "We can do it together," have nine members sitting on federal commodity boards and twelve on national trade advisory boards.

These farm women have testified at pesticide, farm labor, land use, labeling and Susan Sechler. The af- mechanization hearings, and

ternoon session will include Peg Rogers, director of food advisory board, talking on

have spoken out in promotion of agriculture, the free enterprise system and against excessive government regulation.

Penn's Agri-Women was formed in October of 1977 as an affiliate of AAW. Since then, PAW has addressed the 1977 Farm Bill.

legislative and regulatory issues at the federal level which affect agriculture.

Notable among these has been work on reform of the estate tax laws, the 1902 Reclamation issue, the FIFRA amendments, and

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champion bull at the experiences in hauling hvestock show in Kentucky. Probably the most famous

of Lauxmont's Chianmas is a bull called Lombard. The 3860 pound bull has sired many champions since he has stood at stud at Lauxmont's farm in Missouri.

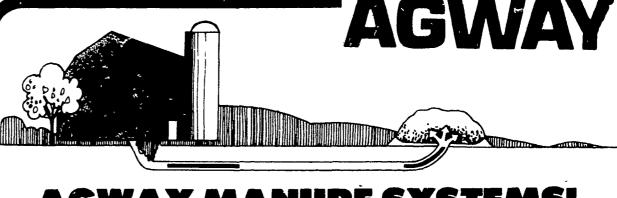
Lombard and the 600 percentage females in Missouri will soon be joined by the 39 European imported purebloods that are still grazing at the Wrightsville Farm.

Kohr, born and raised on a 146 acre farm in Foustown, York County, said his interest in cattle grew from his horses.

feeder cattle from Virginia to his father's farm.

"I would get to see some purebred Hereford operations on my way. And in 1955, while I was a student at the National Agricultural College (now Delaware Valley College), I bought my first Hereford cows."

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# Calves average \$645 at Piedmont

FREDERICK, Md. — The first Piedmont Invitational Club Calf Sale met a strong demand as 51 calves averaged an impressive \$645. The sale was held November 1 here at the fairgrounds, and featured top consignments from breeders throughout Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware and Virginia.

Topping the sale was a black Limousin crossbred consigned by Russell C. Bennett & Sons of Woodbine Maryland. Bidding stopped when the calf's price tag reached \$1000. It sold to W.A. Shearer of Avonmore.

Nittany Farms of State College, consigned a top Chianina cross, bringing a \$900 bid from Brady Gillmore of Bellefonte.

Pigeon Hill Farms of Abbottstown received \$375 from Richard Klair of

Hockession, Delaware, on their Hereford calf consignment.

John Hausner of JDH Polled Herefords topped the Hereford Division with a \$550 bid from Scott Kessling of Lovettsville, Virginia.

John Bassler of Hayland Farms in Ellicott City, Maryland, sold a black Limousin for \$850 to Rick Morrall of Everett.

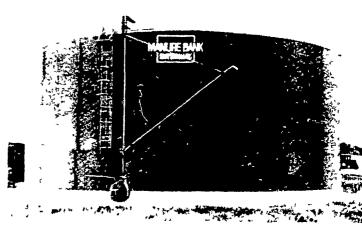
E & K Club Calves of Lancaster sold a top summental crossbred calf to Jeff Greider, Lancaster, for \$800.

Brown's Ranch, located in Gettysburg, consigned a Limousin crossbred which sold to Mike Catrino of Sykesville, Maryland for **\$**625.

The sale was jointly managed by Ollie Bennett of Woodbine, Maryland, and Ken Brubaker of Lancaster Brubaker also auctioneered the sale

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