

Farm Business News



Pep-L-Lea Hilton

Hilton enters co-op stud

OXFORD — Pep-L-Lea a young bull bred by Robert Pepple of Oxford, Chester County, has been selected to enter the 1980 young sire sampling program at Atlantic Breeders Cooperative. He is one of 40 Holstein bulls to enter the program this year and will be known as 15H387 Hilton.

During sampling, Hilton will be randomly mated to approximately 600 Holstein cows through artificial insemination service in herds owned by Atlantic members. He will remain at Lancaster headquarters barns for the next four years as he continues to grow and await evaluation of his progeny. If the results prove satisfactory, Hilton will go into extensive service throughout

the Cooperative's 11,000-member area and his semen may be marketed to other parts of the world.

The bloodlines in this young bull's pedigree are specially selected for Atlantic's breeding program. His sire, Wapa Arlinda Conductor, is classified "Excellent" in body conformation and received the Gold Medal Sire award earlier this year from the Holstein Association of America.

Hilton's dam, W-V-U Elevation Hulda has a 297-day production record of 17,610 pounds of milk and 663 pounds of fat at two years of age. She is classified Very Good at 87 points in body conformation in Pepple's herd. Her sire is the well-

BROWNS TOWN — Directors of American Bank and Trust Co. of Pa. and The Brownstown National Bank have signed a definitive merger agreement, according to a joint announcement made today by Samuel A. McCullough, President and Chief Executive Officer of American Bank, and Paul D. Wenger, President of The Brownstown National Bank.

The Brownstown National Bank, founded in 1908 and headquartered in Brownstown, Lancaster County, has branch offices in Leola and Rothsville in addition to a wholly-owned subsidiary, Brownstown Agri-Loan Corp.

The bank reported the following unaudited figures at September 30, 1980: \$40,263,000 in total assets; \$34,713,000 in total deposits, and \$26,523,000 in total loans.

Under the terms of the merger agreement, American Bank will be the surviving institution. Brownstown shareholders will receive 8½ shares of American Bank stock in exchange for each of their

known Round Oak Rag Apple Elevation, scored "Excellent", and is a Gold Medal Sire. Her dam, a Kingpin daughter, has two records over 22,000M and 650F and scored "Very Good" at 88 points.

15H387 Hilton is available to dairymen who call the Atlantic Breeders Cooperative toll-free phone numbers, 717/569-0411, 800/732-0391, or 800/233-0216

existing shares, or they may elect to receive cash value of \$123.25 per share. The ability to receive cash, however, is limited to a maximum of 19,500 shares. At September 30, 1980, Brownstown had 40,000 shares of common stock outstanding, and

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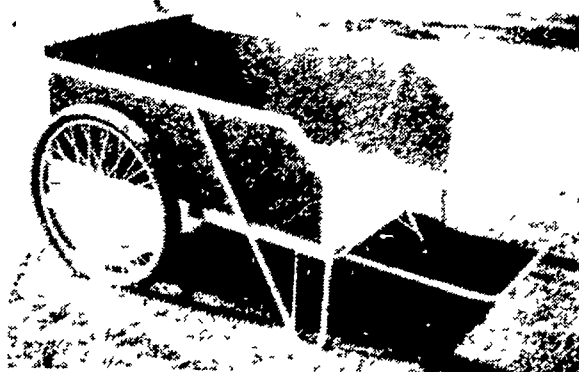
American Bank had 6,893,443 shares outstanding.

The proposed merger is subject to approval by the shareholders of both banks at meetings tentatively scheduled for early in 1981, and by appropriate Federal and State regulatory agencies. Both banks believe the proposed merger will enhance banking competition and services to customers in the area, and they anticipate favorable

consideration from regulatory authorities.

American Bank, headquartered in Reading, has 66 community branch banking offices in Berks, Chester, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lehigh, Montgomery, and Schuylkill Counties. At September 30, 1980, American Bank reported \$1,900,395,000 in total assets, \$1,640,171,000 in total deposits, and \$1,311,905,000 in total loans.

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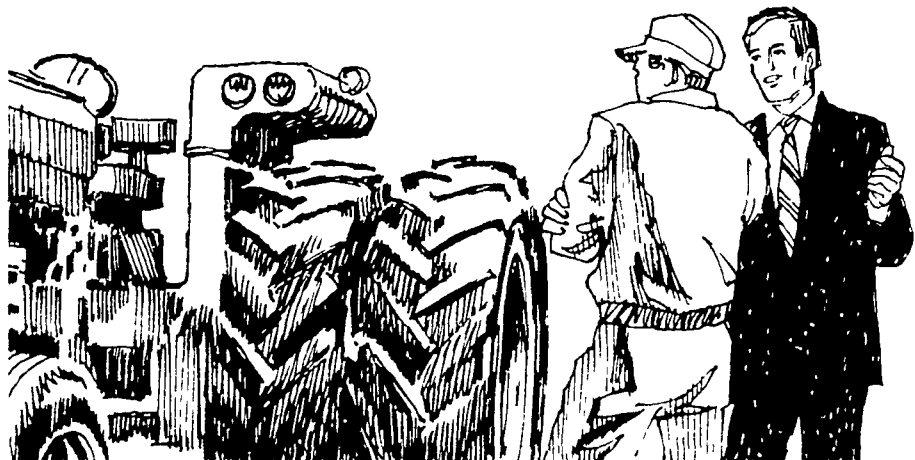
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