

Governor signs Young Farmers proclamation

HARRISBURG — Governor Dick Thornburgh took time from his schedule to meet with the Executive Committee of the Pennsylvania Young Farmers Association recently to sign a proclamation denoting February 8 to 14, 1981 as Pennsylvania Young Farmers Week in the Commonwealth.

Recognizing the necessity of a strong agricultural economy to both producers and consumers in the state and the need for capable and knowledgeable leadership, Governor Thornburgh recognized "the important role of this organization and its members in the future of agriculture in the Keystone State and the growth of our economy."

Governor Thornburgh voiced his pride in Pennsylvania's role as an agricultural leader and its rural population, the largest in the nation.

Pointing toward the participation of individual communities in this statewide organization, the proclamation says, "The PYFA was organized through the Vocational Agricultural Programs in public schools to provide continued educational opportunities for young farm families and agriculturists."

The week of February 8 to 14 was chosen to coincide with PYFA's State Convention and Annual Meeting to be held this year in Hershey, February 9 and 10.



The Governor signs Young Farmer Week Proclamation. Front row, Robert G. Scanlon, Secretary, Pennsylvania Department of Education; Governor Thornburgh, Caleb Williams, Pennsylvania Young Farmer President. From left standing, James Fink, PYFA State Advisor; Stanley Wolf, 1981 National Young Farmer Educational Institute Chairman; Jay Grove, Region IV Vice-President; Robert Kreger,

Region VII Vice-President; Earl Stauffer, President-elect; Terry Martin, Co-editor; Henry Sanders, Secretary; Dale Rossman, Region III, Vice-President; Donald Mooney, Co-editor, George Musser, Treasurer (front); Phillip Gorda, Region I, Vice-President; Tom Zartman, Region II, Vice-President.

Shorthorns average \$2374 at nat'l sale

DENVER, Colo. — A standing room only crowd gathered for the National Shorthorn Sale held during the National Western Livestock Show in Denver, Co. Demand was strong on the female lots while commercial support was conservative due to numerous environmental and economic conditions facing the cattle industry.

Spruce Hill Image x, the recent grand champion bull from the North American International Livestock Exposition, Louisville, Ky., was consigned by Joseph Galbraith & Sons and Debbie

Gilbraith of Atkinson, Ill. The white, September '79 son of Cromellar Image Seal x, was also the reserve grand champion bull at the 1980 American Royal in Kansas City and was the calf champion bull in the National Shorthorn Show at the National Western. Two-thirds interest went on a final bid from Arrowhead Farm, Richard Prentice and E J Wenning, Fulton, Mo. for \$9700.

The second high selling bull came from Alden Farms, George Alden & Sons, Hamilton, Mo. AF Dividend's Robin 2nd, a roan, January '80 son of Deerpark

Leader 13th, had been the calf champion bull at the 1980 Illinois and Missouri State Fairs and was the reserve calf champion bull at the National Western. He sold to new owners, Walter J. Hoyt & Sons, Burns, Or., and Damar Farms, Inc., Marvin & Randy Repp, St. John, Wa. for \$6000.

From Sutherland Farms, Mrs. G.P. Brown Albrecht, owner, it was Sutherland Lady Gallant 651 x, a roan, March '79 daughter of Seven T's American x, who topped the sale. She sold as bred to Lazy D Irish Jack, the national champion

bull with rebreeding privileges to the \$48,000 Highfield Rathcannon. The purchaser at \$4000 was Jim and Alene McCollum, Redding, Ca.

The 37 lots sold for a total of \$87,850, averaging \$2,374. The bulls, which numbered 28 lots, sold for an average of \$2417 while the nine females averaged \$2242.

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