

Berks Holstein claims Futurity banner



A friend succeeds in getting both the attention of Penn-Springs Elevation Candi and Steve Kauffman Candi was selected for Best Udder in the Futurity and placed third in the class. She is owned and shown by Robert Kauffman, Elizabethtown.

Grangers push for casein quotas

HARRISBURG — While President Ronald W. Reagan signed a bill canceling the April 1 dairy price adjustment, leaders from the Pennsylvania State Grange, on tour in Washington, D.C., pushed for a ban on casein (artificial milk protein) imports.

The State Grange delegation, totaling 50 persons, made a two-day tour of the Capitol City. The purpose of the trip was for members of the 44,000-strong organization to meet with Pennsylvania Senators and Congressmen to discuss issues concerning farming and rural Pennsylvania.

At a Congressional Breakfast attended by representatives of the Congressional delegation, the following concerns were voiced:

—that legislation be introduced to ban imports on casein, a chemical substance used in artificial milk products costing farmers to lose \$232 million each year;

—that tax credits be used as incentive for conservation work,

—that proposed cuts in the school lunch and special milk programs do not cause these programs to fall apart;

—and that Farmers Home Administration loans be geared toward young farmers starting out.

Representatives from the U.S. Department of Agriculture reported on the Rural Electric Assn. loans and indemnity money for herd-depopulation due to brucellosis. The Grange leaders also made a tour of the Department's Agricultural Research Center in Beltsville, Maryland.

State Master Charles Wismer said this year's Legislative Tour was very successful.

"We learned first-hand what is going on in Washington," he said. "In turn, I think we got our ideas across to our Pennsylvania delegation."

HARRISBURG — The top-placing 3-year-old in the 1981 Keystone Holstein Futurity, held Wednesday evening at the Farm Show Complex in conjunction with the 28th State Holstein Show, was a Berks County entry named W-S Lunden-Loch Milu Sulee.

Shown by Lunden Loch Farm, Oley, the first place registered Holstein is actually owned by 20-year-old Wendy Shaw, daughter of James and Barbara Shaw, owners of the 150-acre farm. Wendy also owns her dam, W-S-Lunden-Loch R A Sulee. The Futurity winner is sired by Milu Betty Ivanhoe Chief.

One of the 50 head in the Lunden Loch milking string, Sulee will be finishing her 2-year-old lactation milking around 18,000 pounds with about 250 pounds fat, according to Shaw. Sulee's dam completed her 3-year-old lactation with a record of 33,000 pounds milk and 1200 pounds fat, earning her the classification Ex-91.

In previous Holstein events, Shaw recalled Sulee ranked first in Junior Two-Year-Olds competition at the Eastern Championship Show held in Kutztown.

The Shaws moved to Berks County from Hagerstown, Maryland in 1967.

Trophy for Best Udder went to the third place 3-year-old exhibited by Robert Kauffman of Elizabethtown, Lancaster County. Penn-Springs Elevation Candi, sired by the well-known Round Oak Rag Apple Elevation, freshened.

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Animal rights

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urban high-rise apartment,' he says, noting that the animals used in confinement operations are bred to thrive on that type of environment.

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wartare against young, impressionable children rather than sticking to a debate based on raw facts.

Black referred specifically to a pilot program in Minnesota.

The program developed by the National Association for the Advancement of Humane Education, a division of the Humane Society of the United States, would have teachers ask children such questions as 'How many animals did you eat today?'

Raised with that kind of philosophy, Mary and Johnny would no more eat a cow or a pig than their classmates, Black says.

Fidler notes today's farm animals and birds are a far cry from the original animals from which they have evolved.

It's like putting a nomad in an

Whereas their wild cousins would, he concedes, be quite upset in a confinement house, so too the domestic bird or animal would be at a loss in the wild.

I don't think animal and human values are the same, Fidler says.

But the fact remains there is an active and well-funded group of people who would take issue with Fidler on that subject.

They have vowed to do their best to see something is done to make animal living conditions better.

The outcome of the conflict, while perhaps not the single most pressing matter confronting modern agriculture today, surely is one which will demand attention, time and money from farmers and ag industry if they intend to meet the challenge set down by the animal rights groups.



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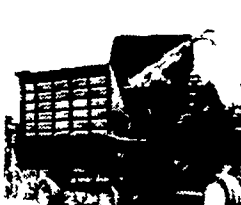

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