

Pigeon Hills entry is reserve champ Hereford

TIMONIUM, Md., Hereford exhibitors from four eastern states gathered at the Maryland State Fairgrounds in Timonium with 37 head for the Eastern National Live Stock Show judged by James Gillooly, Washington, In.

A senior yearling class winner and senior champion was chosen as grand champion bull. He is Adv 359 Domino 9158 sired by CH Domino 359 and exhibited by Grandview Farm, Springfield, Oh.

The reserve grand champion bull, LS L1 Domino 254A, came from the winter calf class and had been the calf champion. He was shown by Moody Herefords, New Concord, Oh., and sired by L1 Domino 75827.

The top award in the female show was claimed by Tim Dennis, Penn Yan, N.Y., with GH Ms Prospect 0860, a summer yearling sired by RH Prospector 7002.

The reserve grand champion female came from the early spring yearling class. She is Honey Skle Rose 230, sired by WCFL1 Domino 9264 and owned by Pigeon Hill Farms, Abbottstown, Pa. This pair of females were earlier named yearling and reserve yearling champions.

Greg Moody, New Concord, Oh., claimed both the yearling champion bull and reserve bull calf champion honors. The champion was MH Major 0075, the late spring yearling class winner, sired by Selkirk Captain 509. The

senior calf, MH Mark Domino 0100, sired by BB Mark Domino 726, took the reserve calf ribbon.

Earl and William Renner, Waynesburg, led their first-place junior yearling entry, TF Adv Dom 84, to the reserve yearling bull championship. He was sired by B&C Adv Dom 304.

Grandview Farm, Springfield, Oh., made a trip to the winner's circle with their junior heifer calf, GHF Q Dona 4609-81, named calf champion. She is a daughter of GP 147 Don 406. The reserve calf honor went to Greg Moody with MH Miss U 01Z1, a winter calf sired by CLI Domino 298.

Moody Herefords swept the

group competition, winning the get-of-sire class with the progeny of Selkirk Captain 509, and the best six-head award as well.

In the 4-H and FFA Hereford steer show, William D. Ferrell, Mount Airy, Md., took grand champion honors with his 1,180-pound heavyweight entry, while honors went to a 1,125-

pound lightweight steer shown by John P. Hausner, Dover.

Other first-place class winners in the open show included: Senior Heifer Calf, Greg Moody, Late Spring Yearling Heifer, Diane Moody, New Concord, Oh.; Junior Bull Calf, Earl & William Renner.

Oil tax threatens soybean farmers

URBANA, Ill. — Increasing trade protectionism in the form of proposed European vegetable oil taxes and Spanish import quotas threatens to further erode soybean profits for U.S. farmers.

"The European Community purchases nearly two of every 10 rows of soybeans grown in the U.S.," former American Soybean Association Chairman Allan Aves said in remarks prepared for a hearing before Senator Charles Percy (R-Ill.) Friday, October 16. "Any loss of our European market would greatly damage the financial stability of U.S. farmers who are already reeling from low prices, increasing costs and high interest charges."

"As a result of the tremendous impact, these two issues have not only for farmers, but also for the U.S. economy, we believe the European vegetable oil tax and Spanish import quotas questions should be elevated to the highest

priority at the highest level of the Reagan Administration."

U.S. soybeans and soybean products currently enter the European Economic Community duty-free, the result of U.S. and European trade concessions during the 1982 Dillon Round of the multinational trade negotiations.

"With a guaranteed free market access, soybean farmers—in cooperation with USDA's Foreign Agricultural Service—have invested their checkoff dollars to build this market," Aves, a Kirkland, Illinois farmer, said.

"U.S. soybean exports to Europe have doubled since farmers began soybean checkoffs in 1966. And, the value of soybeans and soybean product exports to the European Community have increased from less than \$100 million in 1962 to nearly \$4 billion in 1980. Europe represents nearly 40 percent of our total soybean exports."

The Senate hearing also

discussed Spanish vegetable oil quotas. As a result Spanish quotas, Spain is exporting more than 400,000 metric tons of soybean oil processed in Spain from soybeans imported mainly from the United States.

"These discriminatory, and we believe, illegal, quotas have allowed Spain to export huge amounts of soybean oil at subsidized rates to markets in North Africa and elsewhere," Aves said in his statement. "The Spanish soybean oil exports have greatly reduced U.S. soybean oil exports which have resulted in substantial losses to U.S. soybean farmers."

Aves urged the United States to take strong action to prevent European Community vegetable

oil taxes and to have the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) Council rule the Spanish quotas illegal.

"U.S. soybean farmers as well as the entire nation have an enormous stake in the export of soybeans and soybean products," Aves said. "We're pleased that at least Senator Percy has recognized the importance of these issues and hope these hearings will help elevate the issue to the highest level of U.S. foreign policy. U.S. farmers can compete in world markets without special concessions. But, we do ask that our government help maintain free access to these important markets."

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important in this area as some other things in terms of proprietor and labor income in the counties involved. And the trend is headed

in an irreversible direction. There's not one region in the whole country that doesn't show fewer counties dependent on farming now than there were in the 1950s.

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