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\$7.50 Per Year

NY Holstein brings \$440,000 bid



Balls Pollyboots Demand sold for \$440,000 last Saturday at the Poverty Hollow Dispersal and set an all-time sale record. The Excellent Demand daughter out of a Bootmaker was purchased by B. Giles Brophy and John Knight, owners of Hilltop Hanover Farm in New York.

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — A 5-year-old Poverty Hollow Burkgov Demand daughter set an all-time sale record, Saturday at the Poverty Hollow Dispersal, with a price tag of \$440,000, said auctioneer William Kent, Bergen, N.Y. But before the day ended, the large crowd of investors and many foreign buyers saw yet another record broken.

The Designer Fashion Sale held in conjunction with the Poverty Hollow Dispersal and the Hanover Hill Sale grossed \$3,671,500 and averaged a record-breaking \$50,013 for the 60 head sold.

Hilltop Hanover Farm owners, B. Giles Brophy and John Knight purchased the \$440,000 Demand daughter, Balls Pollyboots Demand. The record-breaking Black and White is a fourth generation Excellent out of an Excellent Bootmaker, Balls Ned Pollyboots.

Boasting a top record of 30,184 pounds of milk and 1,073 pounds of fat as a 4-year-old, the Demand carries a Cow Index of +2,763M and is due to freshen in March to

Gold Medal Proven Sire, Sweet-Haven Tradition.

The top-pedigreed dispersal averaged \$22,315 on 60 head.

Claude Pickett, Ontario, Ca., paid

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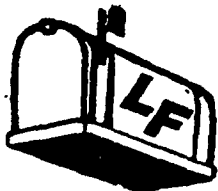
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Lanc. Ag Preserve Board gets \$83,000

LANCASTER — A grant totalling over \$83,000 has been awarded to the Lancaster Planning Commission and the Agricultural Preserve Board to further their work in agricultural preservation.

The majority of the funds, provided under the Federal Community Development Program, are to be used by local municipalities in their agricultural preservation planning efforts. So far, eight Lancaster County townships—Brecknock, Clay, East Cocalico, Ephrata, Manor, Paradise, Pequea, and West Cocalico—have submitted ap-

plications totalling approximately one-half of the \$50,000 earmarked for local grants.

Municipalities may still apply for the remaining funds. Any local official interested in applying for some of the grant money or in learning more about the program should contact Robert S. Yates, Chief Community Planner, at the Planning Commission, phone 717/299-8333.

The remaining \$33,150 of the Community Development Program grant will be used to employ a staff for the Agricultural Preserve Board.

Espy tops alfalfa competition

BY DONNA TOMMELLEO
UNIVERSITY PARK — Herman Espy, Spruce Creek, was named grand champion alfalfa grower, Monday evening, during the 1981 Forage and Seed Conference sponsored by Penn State in cooperation with the Pa. Forage and Grassland Council and the Pa. Seedmen's Association.

Espy, who owns a large feeder steer operation in Huntingdon County, competed with 77 other participants in the contest. He turned in an all-time high yield of 10.7 tons per acre.

Espy's 18 acres were seeded with Saranac AR and Penlate Orchard Grass in April 1980. The field, previously in corn, was made up of

Hagerstown soil. The grand champ bandseeded and cultipacked the field at a rate of 18 pounds of alfalfa per acre and 5 pounds of orchard grass per acre.

In the fall of 1979, Espy fertilized the field with 20 tons of dry steer manure per acre. The following spring he added another 20 tons per

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The grand champion alfalfa grower, Herman and Connie Espy, left of Huntingdon County and the reserve champions Norma and J. Allen Baker, right, of Bedford County display the fruits of victory Monday night following the

Pennsylvania Forage and Grassland Banquet. Espy turned in a first place yield of 10.7 tons per acre. Baker finished with 9.8 tons per acre.