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At Lebanon Fair Holstein Show

Myerstown youth notches dairy win

BY DONNA McCONAUGHEY
LEBANON — ELCO High School junior Dale Weaver of Myerstown captured Grand Champion honors with senior 2-year-old Lime Rock First Sharon during the Open Dairy Show at the Lebanon Fair, Thursday.

This Keystone First Jaycee daughter, bred by Dale's grandfather, the late Hubert S. Miller, also earned him the title of Reserve Champion in the FFA Competition.

In the open Holstein competition, Reserve Champion honors went to Fanny EM Ivan-OC shown by Daryl Balmer of Lebanon. This 3-

year-old, bred by Ellis Myer of Annville, is one of seven head of registered Holsteins owned by Daryl.

A recent graduate of Annville-Cleona High School, Daryl houses his cattle at the Kenneth Sellers farm where he has been employed for the past six years. Daryl's prizewinner placed second as a senior 2-year-old at the 1982 Farm Show and has just completed an 18,000 pound lactation with a 4 percent test.

Junior Champion honors in open Holstein competition went to Gary and Barbara Lentz of Lebanon

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Grand Champion Holstein honors of the Lebanon Fair's open show, Thursday, went to Lime Rock First Sharon exhibited by Dale Weaver of Myerstown. With the prize-winning senior 2-year-old are left to right: Judge Obie Snider; Chester E. Heim, deputy secretary of agriculture; Roy Miller, breeder; Dale Weaver, owner; and Carl Weaver, showman.

School lunch program rescue begins

BY DICK ANGLESTEIN
WASHINGTON, D.C. — A dual agricultural stake — both humanitarian and economic — is emerging in current efforts in the nation's capital to rescue the school lunch program from President Reagan's Federalism.

A resolution introduced in the House of Representatives to keep the school lunch program under federal responsibility is gaining momentum and support.

House Concurrent Resolution 384 is in answer to the Administration's proposed

Federalism program in which responsibility, including financial, for school lunches would be turned back to the individual states.

The resolution has been introduced by Congressman William F. Goodling (R-Pa.), of the 19th District of York, Adams and Cumberland Counties, and Carl D. Perkins (D-Ky.), chairman of the House Committee on Education and Labor.

Rep. Goodling is the ranking GOP member of the Subcommittee on Elementary, Secondary and Vocational Education.

The bi-partisan resolution has picked up some 26 co-sponsors in the past couple of weeks since introduction.

Hearings on the resolution have been scheduled for Sept. 21. While the resolution doesn't carry the weight of law, its outcome will serve as a guide for further Administration efforts to include school lunches in the Federalism turnback to the states.

In introducing the resolution, Congressman Goodling said:

"A child's nutritional needs do not vary from state to state.

"However, the Administration's plan doesn't recognize that a child residing in a state with a low tax base is less likely to receive a nutritionally adequate diet than a child whose parents reside in a state with a higher or more favorable tax base."

Among agricultural organizations with a vital interest in supporting passage of the resolution are the various commodity groups, such as the National Milk Producers and the United Egg Producers.

For these commodity groups and the segments of agriculture they represent, the school lunch program represents not only an equal nutritional responsibility to all of the nation's youth, but an important market, too.

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Ag Progress is little more than a week away, and Lancaster Farming is preparing a special issue to honor the annual event, coming Aug. 21. Inside this issue will be dates, places and times of special events so you won't miss what you want to see, and an exhibitor's list and a map so you can talk with the experts on the latest trends in farming. Also featured will be stories on several demonstrations and daily events, as well as scenes from last year's record-breaking affair. But take note, advertising deadline for this issue is this Monday, Aug. 16!

NMPF plan enters House-Senate talks

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The National Milk Producers' Federation Dairy Stabilization plan met with approval, Tuesday, during U.S. House budget talks and has moved into the Senate-House Conference Committee for further deliberation, said NMPF spokesperson Doni Dondero.

Meanwhile, the U.S. Senate twice rejected a proposed amendment, this week, which would have lowered the \$13.10 dairy support price by 50 cents. The defeated amendment was proposed by Florida Senator Paula Hawkins.

Instead, the Senate Agriculture Committee has agreed to the \$13.10 price in their budget but is expected to resume dairy legislation talks in January, said Hawkins' aide Mary Kenkel.

Members of the House and Senate met Thursday afternoon to discuss each other's budget version. At press time, the Conference Committee was still in session.

In other legislative action, the U.S. House ag committee has voted to require the Reagan Ad-

ministration to boost price support loan rates for corn by five percent if the administration continues to refuse to negotiate a "long term" grain sales agreement with the Soviet Union.

The action came in a 37-2 vote to approve an emergency farm aid package drafted by a bi-partisan coalition of farm state legislators.

Tom Harkin (D-Ia.), who participated in the coalition noted that the action "is a clear message from the ag committee to the Administration that farmers should not be asked to pay the price for this Administration's eagerness to use food as a foreign policy weapon."

Closer to home, the wheels have begun turning for the commonwealth's proposed higher standards milk and voluntary promotion program. The ideas were introduced in a meeting of dairy leaders, this summer, which followed on the heels of the defeated milk referendum.

"We are now in the process of establishing two committees,"

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Lancaster Holstein triumphs

Donald Hostetter, left, of Parkesburg repeated his 1981 performance and captured both the Premier Breeder and Exhibitor banners, Monday night at this year's Eastern Pennsylvania Championship Holstein Show at Kutztown. Joining Hostetter are show judge Neil Bowen, center, of Wellsboro and Harvey W. Stoltzfus, Morgantown, show chairman and runner-up for the banners. Get complete details of the show and its new grand champion, a Lancaster County black and white, on page C2.