

Greg Bankert wins lamb title

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THOMASVILLE — Well-known around 4-H hog show circuits, 12-year-old Greg Bankert added a different kind of feather to his winner's cap Tuesday as he walked off with the champion honors in the York-Adams 4-H lamb roundup. His 130-pound Suffolk, purchased at a Western sale for the Hanover

4-H'ers' project use, opened the sale that followed the fall lamb roundup at Thomasville Auction.

Buyer of the purebred wether, at \$1.90 per pound, was Willie "the Butcher" Kreider, for Stauffers of Kissel Hill Markets of Lancaster, Littitz, Leola and Rohrerstown.

It marked the second roundup lamb champion win for the Hanover youngster, who took

similar honors in 1961. His Hampshire entry was also a champion breed class winner during the competition. Greg is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rogert Bankert.

York grain and vegetable cropper John Shearer was the winning bidder for the reserve champion lamb, exhibited by Sonja Shearer. Shearer took the 100-pound runnerup with a final bid of \$1.50 per pound.

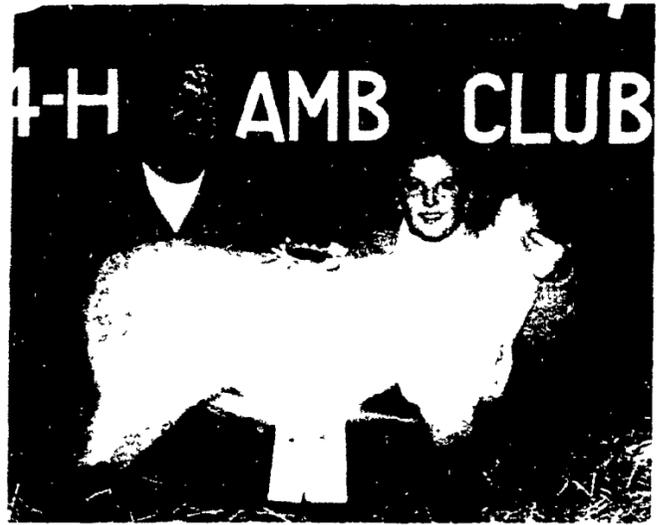
Sonja's entry, bred in the Suffolk flock of Albert Sneeringer, had taken the same ribbons in the breed class category. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Shearer, Abbottstown.

In other breed competition, Greg Bankert's Hampshire champion placed over the reserve entry exhibited by John Myers of Dallastown. Oxford breed honors all went to Bev Eisenhart, Dover, and Tim Flory, Red Lion, gathered the awards in the Cheviot classes.

Southdown awards were shared, with Tiffany Carroll York, claiming the championship trophy, over reserve place exhibitor Teffanie Dietz, York.

Travis Renfro, Seven Valleys, was the champion exhibitor in Dorset competition, topping reserve winner John Myers, Dallastown. In crossbred judging, Gettysburg, exhibitor Pam Hawn topped the reserve entry of Tina Shaffer, East Berlin.

Judge for the annual lamb roundup was Penn State livestock specialist Lester Burdette.



A final bid of \$1.50 per pound by John Shearer topped contenders for the reserve champion lamb exhibited by Sonja Shearer.

A total of \$3719.15 was earned for the 4-H'ers in the lamb sale, with the 44 animals averaging a weight of 103 pounds. Average price, with the champion, was 81 cents, and 76 cents without the champion.



Greg Bankert fattened his bank account with the proceeds from his champion lamb, selling the 130-pound Suffolk for \$1.90 per pound to Willie "the Butcher" Kreider, for Stauffer's of Kissel Hill.

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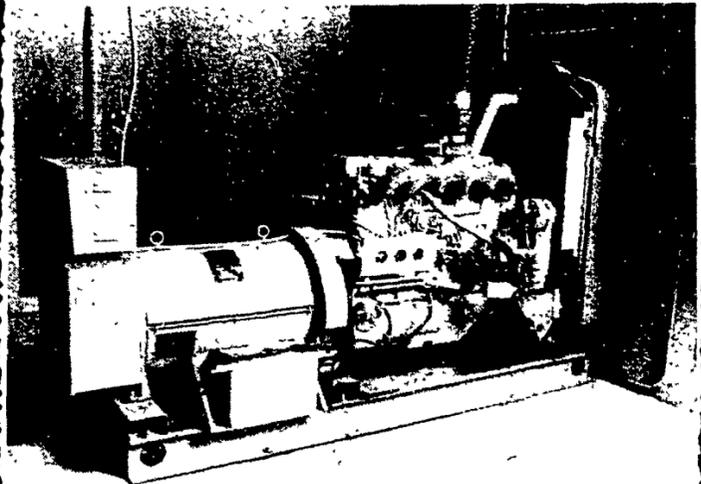


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