

GREG
KRUEGER
& FAMILY

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PARKESBURG — In horse racing, the Triple Crown means a win at the Kentucky Derby, the Preakness and Belmont.

But among breeders of black beef the race for the Triple begins in Louisville with the American Angus Breeders Futurity in August. Aspirants again return to Louisville in November for the North American International Livestock Exposition, and a final win at Denver's National Western

Stock Show in January clinches the crown.

For most Angus breeders the Triple Crown is a once-in-a-lifetime goal, but thanks to Krueger's Scaara, Greg Krueger of Fairview Farm is already working toward his second win. A Sayre Patriot daughter, Scaara swept the three events during the 1981-82 show season.

Greg's involvement with Angus cattle began with the 4-H program and his father's Indiana dairy farm. By the time the young cattleman was 16, the family had sold its dairy herd in favor of beef cattle.

After high school, Greg pursued his interest in beef, earning a B.S. in animal science at Purdue in 1974, and completing his Masters program three years later.

Following graduation, Krueger became assistant manager for

New York's Sayre Farms, where he met his future business partner, Jim Evans. As head of the embryo transfer division of the University of Pennsylvania's New Bolton Center, Evans was doing work for Sayre Farms when the prominent Angus farm decided to sell its cow herd in 1981.

Evans had a proposition for his friend, Greg Krueger. Why not pool their talents, offering embryo transfers while at the same time developing a championship Angus herd? Krueger liked the idea and Genetics Unlimited of West Grove was born.

The firm handles about 1,000 to 1,200 pregnancies a year, made up of about 60 percent beef cattle and 40 percent dairy animals, with Holsteins used as recipient cows for the embryos.

Though the bull market has



Pride of Fairview Farm is Krueger's Foolish Pride, born on April Fools Day, 1981.

History-making Angus



Greg Krueger poses with the farm's premier female, Krueger's Scaara of Sayre. Scaara was the first heifer in the history of Angus show cattle to win the Triple Crown.

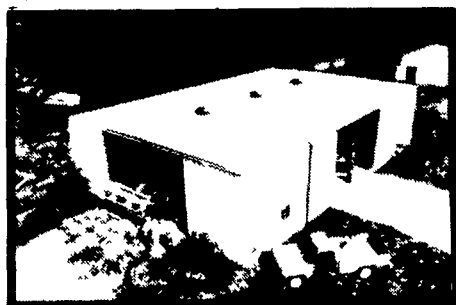


admittedly been "tough here in the East," according to Krueger, the Angus breeder sees a bright future for the female market, due, in part, to embryo transfer technology.

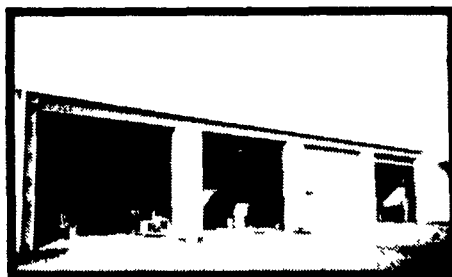
Krueger cites the ability to freeze large numbers of embryos as a great advantage to cattlemen, and points out that ET technicians are currently able to split the fertilized egg, producing two offspring from a single egg.

With the veterinary staff and three technicians handling embryo transfer responsibilities, Krueger manages the company's beef operations at his 33 acre farm located nine miles west of West Chester.

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