

Thomasville auction

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Thomasville business. The family maintains its own retail establishment in Gettysburg, the Weikert Meat Market, Inc., managed by daughter Roberta.

A large crowd turned out for the nostalgic last sale, packing the arena to standing room only and jamming the sprawling parking lot.

On hand to help keep this final auction running smoothly were a number of the 25 farmer-stockholders who cooperatively purchased the establishment in 1975. Current president Charles Sunday, York, reminisced about having attended the auction "as a kid", as he congratulated the new owner of the facility surrounded by

the maze of pens full of cattle.

Thomasville Auction opened in 1947, by ag entrepreneurs Peter and Earl Koons of Harrisburg, and William Peters, Millersburg.

A fire totally destroyed the facility in 1980. It was then modernized and rebuilt by the farmer-owners group. The auction has been a frequent host to 4-H livestock events, including the annual York-Adams beef and sheep roundups.

Livestock sellers interested in additional information on the Weikert Livestock Buying Station may contact Robert Weikert at Box 68, Fairfield, or by calling the business at (717) 642-8412, 642-8164 or 642-5773.

Milk sanitarians to meet in Nashville

AMES, Iowa — The 72nd annual meeting of the International Association of Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians, Inc. (IAMFES) will be held August 4-8, at the Hyatt Regency, Nashville, Tenn.

The international educational conference will feature a full two days of panels, symposia and individual speakers.

Screening loads of milk for quality will be the topic of one panel discussion on August 6. Franklin R. Balliet, Dairy Lea, will serve as moderator.

Panel members include: John J. Althaus, Milk Marketing, Inc., Strongsville, Ohio; Rya Koeppl,

Heritage Farms Dairy, Murfreesboro, Tenn.; and William A. Brown, Florida Dept. of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Tallahassee, Fla.

A symposia on microbiological criteria for foods will be chaired by H. Michael Wehr and John Williker on August 7.

Individual speakers include J. Zindulis, T. Tsang and S. Semuta, Bactomatic, Princeton, N.J., speaking on the estimation of the total number of aerobic bacteria in ice cream; Martin Welt, Radiation Technology, Rockaway, N.J., speaking on facilities and their control for commercial irradiation of foods; and Jerry Trumpev,

Chemical and Environmental Conservation Systems, Cincinnati, Ohio, speaking on new techniques in toxic waste management.

In addition to the educational aspects of the meeting, a partner program has been planned for those who would like to explore the sites of Nashville.

The IAMFES annual awards banquet will be held on the evening of August 7.

For more information or to request a copy of the entire program or a meeting/hotel registration form, contact: Kathy R. Hathaway, IAMFES, Inc., P.O. Box 701, Ames, Iowa 50010; phone 515-232-6699.

Computer software show

UNIVERSITY PARK — One of Pennsylvania's first trade shows for demonstrating the use of computer software in agriculture will be held May 22 and 23 at the Juniata Valley High School in Alexandria.

"The trade show is one of many efforts we are making to relate the real world of new technology to people who need training to meet the changing demands of businesses and industries," said Dr. Donald Evans, superintendent of the Juniata Valley School District.

"Various departments of Penn State's College of Agriculture will show microcomputer software developed by University faculty and people at other institutions and industries," according to Ellis Griffith, director of the Vo-Tech School.

Demonstrations will include the NEW Production Records System for Vocational Agriculture, VisiCalc templates and basic

programs in production areas such as livestock, crops, dairy, and items developed by specialists from the Cooperative Extension Service for Macintosh computers and the Pennsylvania Extension Network.

The software trade show will be held, starting each day at 9 a.m., in the Juniata Valley High School in Alexandria. For further information, contact Ruth Cox at 814-643-0951.

The school district and the Huntingdon County Area Vocational-Technical School also are sponsoring a series of workshops on new technology. Five of them, along with the trade

show, are in cooperation with the Advanced Technology Center of Central and Northern Pennsylvania (ATC/CNP), Ben Franklin Partnership.

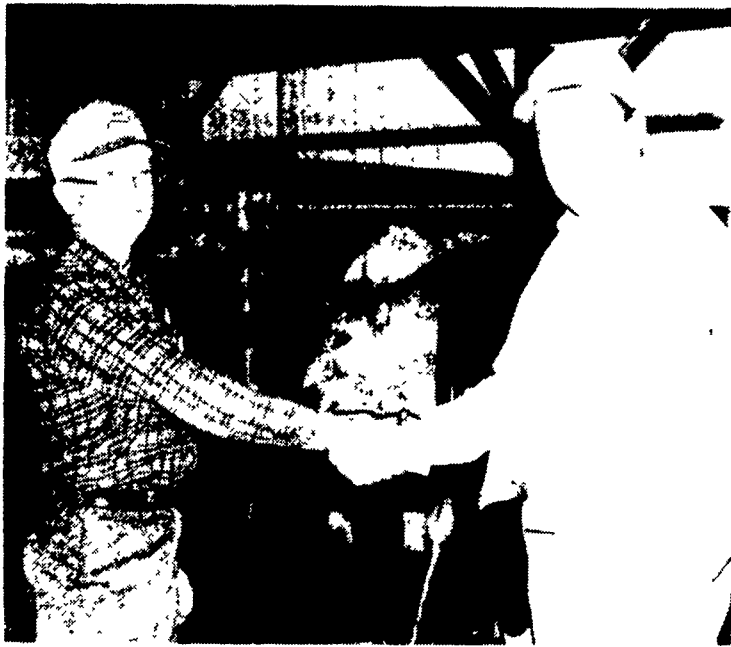
The workshops, to be held May 17-18, are: Computer Assisted Drafting, Juniata Valley High School; Computer Servicing Technology, Digital Electronics, Computerized Numerical Control Systems and Electro-Mechanical Technology, all in the Huntingdon County Area Vocational-Technical School, Mill Creek.

A workshop on Digital Electronics also will be held May 24-25 in the Bethlehem (PA) Area Vocational-Technical School.

Upper Dauphin FFA

Upper Dauphin FFA recently celebrated its 30th anniversary with a parent-member banquet.

David Savidge received an honorary Chapter Farmer degree. Dale Smeltz received the Keystone Degree.



Robert Weikert, right, accepts congratulations and best wishes for his private livestock buying business from Thomasville Auction's president Charles Sunday.

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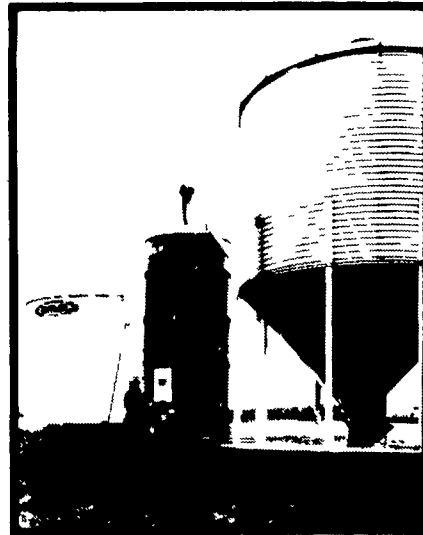
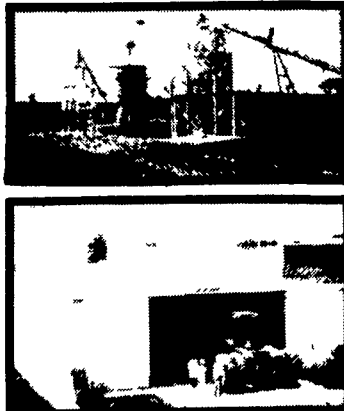
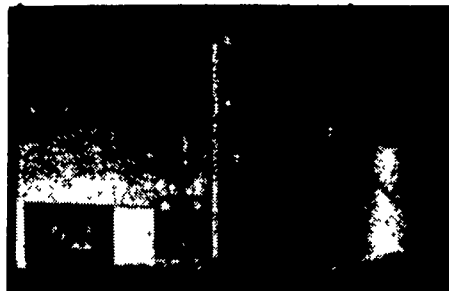
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