

## MacCauleys Sweep Chester Co. Market Lamb Show

**BY JACK HUBLEY**  
**WEST CHESTER** — It seems that the Chester County 4-H Market Lamb Show usually comes down to a family feud between members of Atglen's MacCauley family. Although owners Joan and Bill MacCauley don't have any problem producing Suffolk lambs that will top the market show, just which one of the sisters will take top honors is hard to predict.

It was only fitting, though, that older sister Nancy would show the grand champion in this year's

event, held at the Goshen Fair on Monday. A junior at Lancaster General Hospital's School of Nursing, this is Nancy's final year of 4-H competition.

The winning lamb was a 128-pound wether out of MacCauley's Nightrider ram, a previous Farm Show Suffolk champion.

This was the second year that Nancy managed to unseat younger sister, Donna, who maintained a five-year winning streaking from 1980 to '84. Show judge Robert Leib of Mechanicsburg singled out the

grade Suffolk lamb shown by Donna for reserve honors. Donna's 118-pound wether was also sired by Nightrider.

Bidding was spirited at Wednesday night's 4-H lamb sale, with prices staying above \$1.10 throughout the sale. Gerry Williams, representing Brandywine Savings and Loan of Downingtown, set a new sale record when he offered the final bid of \$3.65 per pound for the grand champion. Williams then donated the lamb back to the club, and it



Nancy MacCauley had Chester County's champion 4-H market lamb. Lamb sold to Gerry Williams, of Brandywine Savings and Loan for a record \$3.65 a pound.



C. Aquilante (rear) pictured with his granddaughter, Jennifer Nemeth, once again dominated the Chester County 4-H sale. Club members who sold him their lambs are pictured.

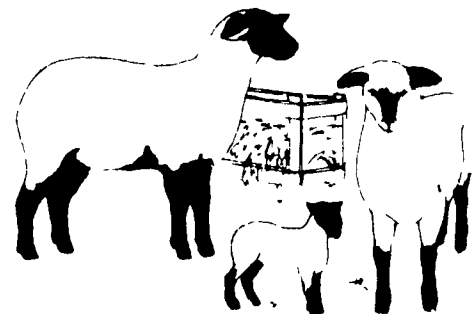
was resold for \$1.55. Three additional lambs crossed the auction block twice by sale's end.

Once again this year, the sale's most enthusiastic buyer was C. Aquilante, owner of Aquilante's Market, Berwyn.

Although he himself was never involved in the 4-H program, Aquilante has been buying project lambs for the past 20 years.

"There's nothing like helping the kid's," the grandfather of 30 confides. "These kids send me a note, and it gives me joy to receive them." The veteran 4-H supporter took home eight lambs this year.

The sale average was \$1.39, not counting champions. A total of 2,131 pounds of lamb crossed the block, earning 4-H'ers \$3,255.



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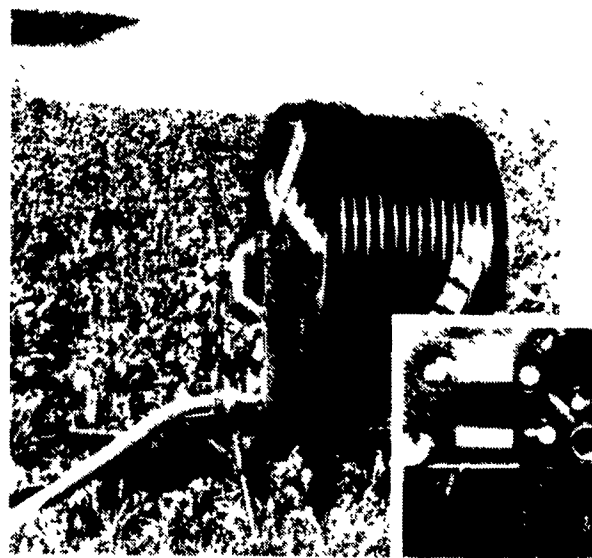
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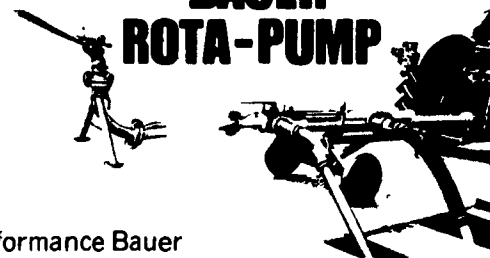
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