

### Horsewoman Wins Colt

A few years ago Billie Jo Conrad of Georgetown, Del., was thrown from a pony and never wanted to ride horseback again. Now the 13-year-old 4-H'er is the 1988 winner of a quarter horse weanling from famous sausage-maker Bob Evans.

Every year the restaurateur invites one teenager from each of the 12 states where his products are sold to a Western-style roundup on his 1,000-acre farm in Ohio. The teens are chosen on the basis of citizenship and involvement in 4-H. All return home with their own quarter horse weanling.

This year's roundup, complete with campfires and trail rides, was held September 9-11.

Billie Jo has been in 4-H for five years and in the 4-H horse program for two. She belongs to the Just Kidding Around 4-H Club. She is also a member of the Delaware Appaloosa Youth Association (DAYA) and has won many ribbons in 4-H and DAYA horse shows.

The horse she won is an eight-month-old chestnut colt with a star, a stripe and a snip, and a white front foot. He's named Split Image Wimpy, and Billy Jo plans to train and ride him for pleasure Western style.

Billie Jo, an eighth grader at Sussex Central Junior High School, has had a lot of experience working with horses. She helps her parents take care of their two ponies and four horses on the Conrads' Georgetown farm. She has taken riding lessons for two years at Martin's Horse Farm in Milton. Bob Evans winners are

expected to keep their foals for at least two years, but Billie Jo would like "Wimpy" to be her very own horse permanently.

The brother-sister team of Justin and Allyson Comes, children of Joe and Trudy Comes of Smethport, captured the championship beef honors at the McKean Co. Fair, respectively



taking the grand and reserve titles. Their animals also were rate-of-gain co-champions with an average daily gain for the 274 day feeding period of 2.62 pounds per day. Justin's 1,240-pound Simmental-cross grand champion sold to Gleason Distributing Company of Bradford for \$1.55 per pound. Allyson's 1,250-pound reserve champion, also a Simmental-cross, sold to Vale View Farms, Rixford, for \$1.60 per pound.

Ten steers sold averaged \$1.5 with the champions and \$.90 per pound excluding the champions.

Two brothers divided the championship honors in the market swine competition. The son of Dan and Cheri Detrick of Kane, Robbie Detrick sold his 212-pound Yorkshire grand champion to First National Bank of Port Allegany for \$2.30 per pound. His brother, Steve's 209-pound Yorkshire also sold for \$2.30 per pound to Pine Valley Nursery of Port Allegany.

Nineteen hogs sold averaged \$1.45 per pound with the champions and \$1.35 per pound excluding the champions.

Shannon Safford's 141-pound Suffolk champion heavyweight went on to capture the grand champion lamb title. Buyer Penn Bank of Bradford paid a hefty sum of \$4 per pound.

Rae Ann Kleisath of Smethport sold her 126-pound reserve champion Suffolk lamb to Heaters Farm Credit of Co. for \$2.20 per pound.

Twenty-three lambs sold for an average \$1.80 per pound with champions and \$1.70 per pound excluding the champions.

Total receipts of the sale were \$23,220.65. A total of 42 buyers purchased the 52 animals offered for sale. The 4-H'ers sponsored a pig roast for the buyers in appreciation of their support.

Other results of the livestock show featured Matt Van Giesen of Kane as swine rate-of-gain champion with a 100-day average daily gain of 1.85 pounds per day. Lamb rate-of-gain champion was Chad Kleisath of Smethport with 100-day average daily gain of 1.8 pounds per day. Fourteen-year-old Pam Bosworth of Eldred garnered both master fitter and master showman honors in beef. Pam also was the master showman in sheep. Master fitter for sheep was 11-year-old Shannon Safford with her grand champion lamb. Master fitter in the swine show was 16-year-old Dave Stanko of Kane in his first year of showing. Ten-year-old Shawn Ackley of Kane took his first-place junior showmanship all the way to master showman in swine.

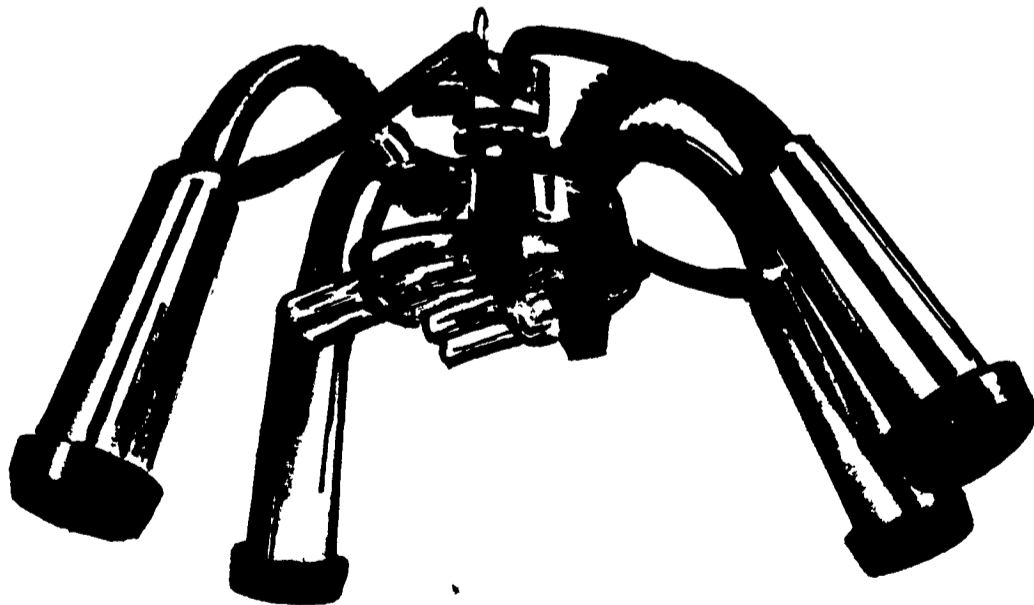
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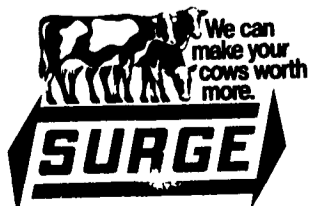
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