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Keister's Middleburg Auction

Middleburg, Pa.
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CATTLE 371...Supplied by the auction..High Choice and Prime steers 72.75-75.25, Choice 70.00-73.75, Good 68.00-70.00. Choice Holsteins 66.00-68.75, Good 63.00-66.00, Standard 58.50-62.75. Choice heifers 69.00-71.50, few to 74.75, Good 64.00-68.75, Standard 55.00-60.75. Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows 48.00-51.50, Cutter & Boning Utility 46.00-51.00, Canner & Low Cutter 42.00-46.00. Shells down to 35.00-40.00. Choice bullocks 65.00-70.50, Good 55.00-60.00. Yield Grade No. 1, sl. bulls 58.00-65.00. Feeder Cattle: 400/775 lbs. steers 56.00-86.00, 350/870 lbs. heifers 56.00-76.00, 415/825 lbs. bulls 64.00-85.00.

CALVES 226...Choice vealers 95.00-97.00. Good 60/110 lbs. sl. calves 68.00-85.00. Farm Calves: Holstein bulls No. 1, 80/90 lbs. 115.00-137.50, No. 2 90/120 lbs. 130.00-148.00, Holsteins heifers No. 1, 80/125 lbs. 125.00-199.00.

HOGS 341...(07/13/92)..No. 1 220/250 lbs. barrows and gilts 46.00-46.75, No. 1-2 220/250 lbs. 42.00-46.00, No. 1-3, 220/250 lbs. 44.00-45.00, 2-3 210/300 lbs. 42.00-43.75, few late Tuesday 1-3 39.00-41.75. Sows: 1-3 380/690 lbs. 32.00-38.75, 2-3 29.00-34.00. Boars 30.50-33.75.

FEEDER PIGS 428...US 1-3 20/40 lbs. feeder pigs 17.00-28.00, 40/60 lbs. 26.00-31.00. --- all per head.

SHEEP 27...Choice 70/100 lbs. Spring sl. lambs 56.00-59.00, few 35 lbs. 60.00-72.00, Good 40/75 lbs. 44.00-55.00. Slaughter Ewes 12.00-23.00, Yearlings 31.00-38.00. - all cwt.

GOATS 28...Small 20.00-43.00. --- all per head.

Card Grading Offers Alternative Sheep Judging

PITTSBORO, N.C. — Among the many exciting events at the 1992 Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival was a demonstration of card grading, an alternative method of evaluating breeding stock.

The American Minor Breeds Conservancy sponsored the demonstration to evaluate groups of sheep representing five minor breeds - Cotswold, English Leicester, Clun Forest, Jacob, and Shetlands.

Card grading is an evaluation system designed to measure an animal's breeding potential. It is non-competitive as each animal is measured against standard for the breed rather than other animals at the show or the commercial ideal. This means that if there are several excellent animals in a group all will be graded as excellent.

Dr. Don Bixby, executive director of AMBC chaired the event. Other evaluators were David Greene, Cooperative Extension Service sheep specialist for Maryland, and Dr. David Lincicome, sheep and goat breeder and judge.

Each animal is examined by three breed specialists using the breed standard to evaluate each animal. Animals are not compared with pen mates or neighbors.

A verbal or written report is provided by the evaluators and a colored card is attached to the animal or pen which designates its quality as a breeding animal: Blue - Excellent breeding stock; Red - Good; Yellow - Acceptable; White - Unacceptable for breeding.

Unacceptable animals are those which do not conform to the breed standard or are suffering from genetic or physical unsoundness. These animals are excused from the show and should not be used for breeding or sold as breeding stock.

Greene pointed out that a strong pressure exists among breeders of show stock to select for characteristics favoring success in the show ring. This selection can lead to decreased genetic diversity and even away from soundness and productivity.

The American Minor Breeds Conservancy is an organization of over 4,000 members promoting rare and endangered breeds of livestock and the genetic diversity these breeds represent.

AMBC is promoting card grading, says Bixby, because many judges in the show ring are unfamiliar with rare breeds and therefore evaluate them using the same criteria as for popular commercial breeds.

Plushanski Bull For Testing

PLAIN CITY, Ohio — A young Holstein sire bred by Charles Plushanski, of Kutztown, has been chosen to enter a sire sampling program.

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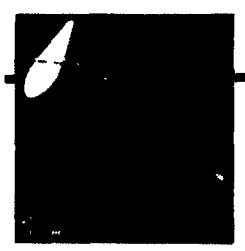

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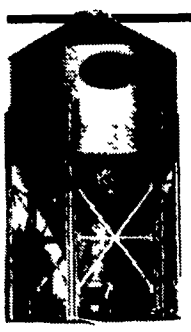

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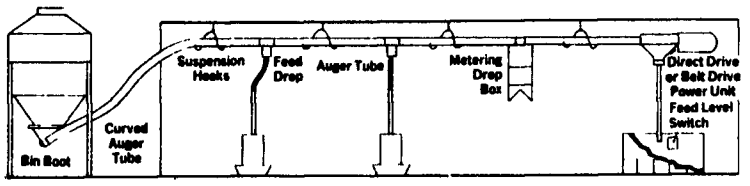

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