

Meat Center Announces Results

UNIVERSITY PARK (Centre Co.) — Pennsylvania's Meat Animal Evaluation Center has announced the results of the 84-day weighing of the bulls on Pennsylvania's Performance testing program.

The bulls are still gaining extremely well in spite of the severe winter. The bulls were weighed off test March 5 and then the bulls will be scanned ultrasonically to determine fat thickness and loin-eye area. The bulls will all be given a comprehensive breeding soundness exam and be required to meet minimum requirements for breeding soundness, semen quality and structural correctness.

The center will calculate a great deal of information on all of these bulls, such as adjusted 365 days weights, feed efficiencies, and current EPDs. The top 75 percent of the bulls will be offered in Pennsylvania's 23rd Performance

Tested Bull Sale, scheduled for Friday, March 29.

The bull sale is again one of the focal points of Pennsylvania's 7th Annual Beef Expo scheduled for March 28-31 at the Ag Arena on the Penn State University campus. The highlights of the Expo are the educational symposium on Thursday; Friday will feature the bull sale, commercial heifer sale, and the annual Pennsylvania Cattle-men's Association (PCA) banquet.

Saturday, March 30 will be a full day with the Junior Beef Skill-a-thon, Purebred Angus sale, Purebred Simmental sale, Purebred Polled Hereford sale, other breed sale, and the Junior Quiz Bowl. Sunday, March 31 will be the Junior Heifer and Junior Steer Shows. There will be a large trade show and animal exhibits throughout the Expo. A variety of food will also be available.

In the bull testing program, the 15 Simmental bulls have maintained a breed average daily gain of 4.25 pounds per day through 84 days on test. The top-gaining Simmental is the April 10, 1995 Holley's By The Numbers son Consigned by Miller and Shoemaker's Simmentals. This top-gaining bull overall breeds has gained 5.12 pounds per day on test with a ratio of 120. (A ratio of 120 means that he is 20 percent above the average gain of his breed.) The second fastest-gaining Simmental is the March 1st M4 Advantage son consigned by Kenneth Foust. This growthy bull gained 5.06 pounds per day on test and has a lifetime weight per day of age of 3.95 pounds per day.

The 28 Angus bulls have maintained a breed average daily gain of 4.09 pounds per day on test. The top-gaining Angus bull is the N. Bar Emulation EXT son consigned by Monica Feeser. This Feb. 14 bull has gained 5.04 pounds per day gain on test, a ratio of 123, and also has the highest lifetime weight per day of age among the Angus with a 3.80 pounds per day lifetime. The second fastest-gaining Angus bull is the DHD Traveler 6807 son consigned by Marlin and Steve Paul.

This March 16 bull gained 4.99 pounds per day on test with a ratio

of 122. The 26 Polled Hereford bulls averaged 3.67 pounds per day on test. The top-gaining Polled Hereford is the I.G.S. Forecaster 173G son consigned by Paul and Bette Slayton. This January 1,500-pound bull has maintained a gain of 4.78 pounds per day with a ratio of 130. This bull also registers the top lifetime weight per day of age among the Herefords with a 3.77 pounds per day lifetime. The second fastest-gaining Hereford is the R.W.J. Perfect 849 326 son that was consigned by Ralph Strouse. This bull has gained 4.54 pounds per day.

The three Charolais on test have maintained a breed average daily gain of 3.96 pounds per day. The top-gaining Charolais is a BR

Duke 295 son consigned by John Myers. This April 15 bull gained 4.24 pounds per day on test and also recorded the top lifetime weight per day of age with a 3.73 pounds per day. The second fastest-gaining Charolais is the MCF New Trend son consigned by Ray Bratton. This March bull gained 3.94 pounds per day on test.

The two Gelbvieh bulls gained an average of 4.07 pounds per day on test. Both of these bulls are owned by Dunkwalke Farm in New Jersey.

For more information on the bulls, the bull sale, or the Beef Expo, please contact Glenn Eberly, Meat Animal Evaluation Center, 651 Fox Hollow Rd., State College, PA 16803, (814) 238-2527.

Sale Reports

BIXLER & DISSINGER ESTATE SALE

Nazi memorabilia went on the block Wednesday afternoon at the Horst Auction Center, Ephrata. More than 500 bidders registered for the public sale held for John Bixler of Myerstown and for the estate of the late Lester Dissinger of Akron.

Nazi military sold included a coat and whistle, \$650; a hat, \$600; a banner, \$350; a knife, \$310; and a bayonet, \$190. A 1993 Pontiac Sunbird went for \$5,175; a Fox Sterlingsworth shotgun, \$1,525; a roly-poly Santa, \$650; an Appel Jewelers clock, \$460; an oak stacked bookcase, \$380; bedroom suites, \$340 and \$500; a gate-leg table, \$265; an Empire card table, \$245; a decorated iron chair, \$200; and a blanket chest, \$180.

Auctioneers were T. Glenn, Tim and Tom Horst.

MULL SALE

A consignment sale of antiques, household goods, collectibles and tools was held Saturday at the Horst Auction Center, Ephrata for Harry Mull and others.

A total of 395 registered bidders attended the sale, conducted by Horst Auctioneers.

Items sold included a cherry Dutch cupboard, \$2,100; a cherry modern highboy, \$700; 10-piece cherry dining-room suite, \$1,245; a clawfoot mahogany extension table, \$1,500; a Victorian-era mahogany china closet, \$1,275; a Hepplewhite mahogany sideboard, \$625; and a mahogany grandfather clock, \$850.

Also sold were an oak bowed china closet, \$575; a stacking bookcase, \$650; a child's oak bonnet chest, \$375; a grained, decorated jel-

ly cupboard, \$575; a lamp, \$600; and a blue pine step-back cupboard, \$900; a tumbling block quilt, \$500; a three-armed hanging light, \$575; a double brass-based student

lamp, \$600; and a blue pine step-back cupboard, \$900. Other items sold included a Moxie match holder, \$310, and ser-vice for 12 of Franciscan dinnerware, \$575.



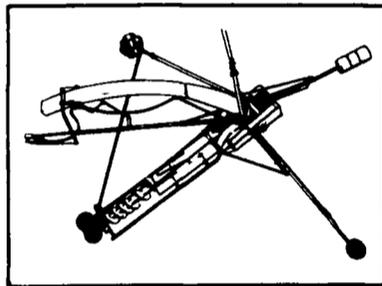
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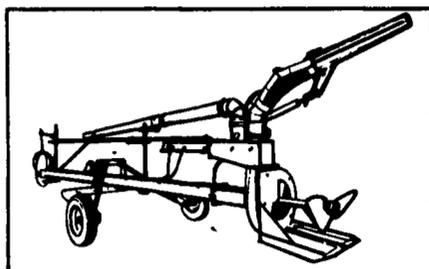
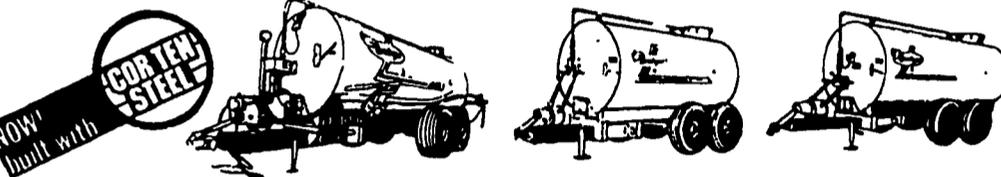
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