

Several Dairy Herds Reduced In September

HARRISBURG — Drastic reductions in hay and grain crops due to excessive rains led some western Pennsylvania farmers to sell their dairy cows during September rather than attempt to carry the animals over the winter months, the State Department of Agriculture reported today.

But pastures over the State were equal to the best ever known for the month and milk production declines in western counties were offset by normal seasonal increases in other areas, a Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service survey report declared.

September statewide milk output was 516 million pounds, 2 per cent above the same month last year. Production each month this year has exceeded corresponding months in all previous years, the Department said.

Western Pennsylvania counties had more than 30 inches of rain during the growing season. Some farmers were still making first cuttings of hay in September. Others in the northwest section still had some oats and a little wheat remaining to be cut in late September. Hay supplies in the west are spotty and show lowest quality in many years.

Killing frosts struck all areas early this year (Sept. 21). Damage was light in the southeast but increased to the north and west where damage to corn was severe. Much corn was in the milk stage and cutting for ensilage was rushed. Many new trench and temporary silos were constructed. The freeze reduced the corn acreage to be picked for grain, lowered yield prospects and affected quality of ensilage. In the southeast much corn is the best in years.

Wet ground reduced plantings of winter grains in the north and west but wheat seeding was in full swing in the southeast by October 1.

Pastures were so good during September that few farmers resorted to supplemental feeding of hay and ensilage, the Department said. Cows in milking herds totaled 946,000 for September, 3,000 above the same month last year.

Poland Uping Canned Ham Imports into U. S.

Chicago — Communist Poland continues to step up its canned ham business in the United States, the American Meat Institute disclosed today.

"During the first eight months — January through August — of this year," the Institute said, "Poland upped canned pork — mostly ham — arrivals by more than three million lbs, over the same period of last year; 18,210,000 against 15,037,000.

"It would be interesting to know what use Poland makes of the dollars received for these sales. These dollars have not — as is the case with countries of Western Europe shipping canned pork products to the United States — been used to purchase American agricultural products.

"Denmark, Germany and Holland subscribe to the two-way policy of foreign trade. They purchase our products for the money they obtain from canned pork sales to the United States. Official figures show U.S. imports from Denmark declined three million pounds, from West Germany about two million pounds with Holland increasing its shipments about 2½ million pounds. Holland is — as are Denmark and Germany — an excellent market for U.S. meat and animal products.

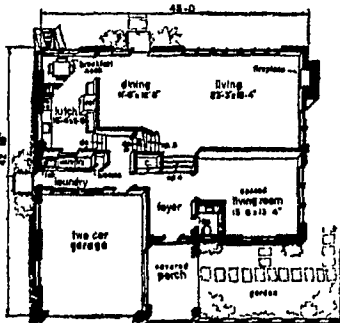
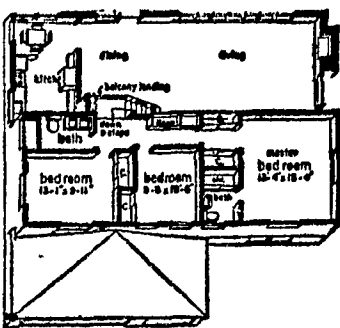
Front-To-Back-Split Plan From Small Homes Guide

The wide facade of this design from the large house plans section of SMALL HOMES GUIDE magazine has a look of luxury about it. The house, by Architect Rudolph A. Matern, is a split-level from front to back, something a bit unusual. The result is an imposing structure, convenient room arrangement, and good orientation of house to lot.

The plan is arranged so that the living room can have a high "studio" ceiling. The balcony, too, makes for additional charm.

One of the most interesting — and utilitarian features of this house is the second living room on the lower level. This room can be used for games, music, TV watching, is extra convenient because it is on the same level as the foyer and garage.

The three levels shown have a total area of 1,924 sq. ft. Information on blueprints and their cost can be obtained by writing to SMALL HOMES GUIDE, Dept. 1615, 621 N. Dearborn, Chicago 10, Ill.



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Entomologists Save Farmers Many Millions

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. — Agricultural extension entomologists, through their work in control of insects and other pests, help Pennsylvania farmers increase their income by millions of dollars annually and also improve the quality of products the consumer use, declares Dr. H. R. Albrecht, director of agricultural and home economics extension of the Pennsylvania State University.

Practicing insect control as given in the 12 or more timely spray information letters, apple growers gain more than a million dollars annually.

Use of information on control of spittlebugs, leafhoppers, and alfalfa weevils has helped farmers produce about 500,000 tons of better-quality hay each year.

Lindane recommended for lice control has increased beef production about a million pounds annually since 1950.

Fly control, as taught by the entomologists, saves a loss of 15 to 30 pounds per beef animal during the season and the cost of control is less than a quarter-cent per pound of beef saved. Similar fly control on dairy cattle increased milk production 15 per cent.

Use of a recommended insecticide before planting as protection against seed-corn in-

sects increases the value of the Pennsylvania corn crop about five million dollars a year.

The rat control program advocated by the entomologists could easily reduce the annual loss from rats as much as ten million dollars a year.

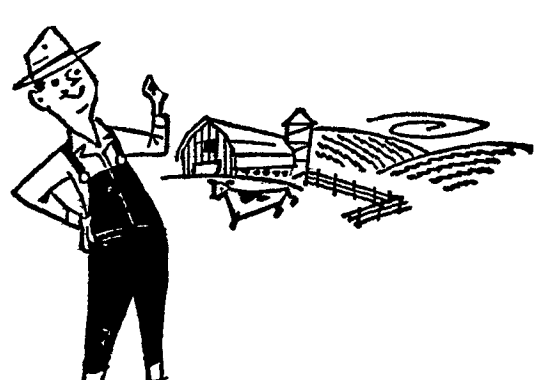
"More than 50 new insecticides, miticides, nematocides, and rodenticides have appeared on the market in the last 10 years," says Dr. Albrecht, "and the entomologists perform an important service by informing the people of the Commonwealth of their proper and effective use."

Penn State Among Top Teams in 1956 World Match

Early October proved to be a championship time for the dairy cattle judging team from the Pennsylvania State University.

The team won second place in the International Intercollegiate Dairy Cattle Judging Contest Oct. 8 in Chicago. A few days earlier the team won first place in judging Holsteins at the National Inter-collegiate Dairy Cattle Judging Contest at Waterloo, Iowa.

At Chicago the team was outstanding in judging Holsteins, winning top honors as a team while Earl E. Berger, senior from Lehigh won third place in Holsteins.



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