

## Holstein Is Tops In DHIA With 711 Pounds Of Butterfat

Twenty one cows in the herd of Leroy S Smucker, New Holland R1, average 68 pounds of butterfat each during the May testing month according to a report released this week by the Red Rose Dairy Herd Improvement Association.

The registered and grade Holsteins made 1861 pounds of milk with a 3.6 test to post the highest average in the association for the month.

With 66 pounds of butterfat in 1674 pounds of 4.0 per cent milk the 22 registered and grade Holstein cows in the herd of Edwin N Kurtz Ephrata R1 had the second highest average.

The highest 305 day lactation record completed during the month was 711 pounds of butterfat in 16,687 pounds of 3.3 per cent milk, made by Betsy a Registered Holstein in the herd of Ernest J Sauder, Lancaster R1.

Second high lactation record was posted by Dinah another Holstein who made 593 pounds of butterfat in 17,772 pounds of milk with a 3.9 test. She is in the herd of George M Weaver Narvon R1.

Only one pound of butterfat separated the second and third highest producers. A registered Holstein in the herd of Raymond M Hoover Gay R1, made 692 pounds of butterfat in 17,629 pounds of milk with a 3.9 per cent test.

Other cows producing over 500 pounds of butterfat during a lactation ending during the month were in the herds of

I Eby Hostetter., Henry E. Kettering, John S Shelly, and Calvin D Beiler. Seventeen other cows in the association made 600 pounds or better during lactations ending in the month.

In the herd averages during the testing month the registered and grade Holstein herd of Ivan S Stoltzfus and the registered Guernsey herd of Raymond and Louise Witmer each had 61 pound butterfat averages. The 33 cows in the Stoltzfus herd made 1661 pounds of milk with a 3.6 test while the 45 cows in the Witmer herd had 1156 pounds of milk with a 3.3 per cent test.

A total of 70 other herds in the association averaged more than 50 pounds of butterfat during the month.

## Wheat

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farmers before harvest began. In most instances the contract price is very nearly in line with the present market price, and reports of contracts as low as \$1.75 per bushel could not be verified.

Most millers contacted late this week reported that the quality of the crop is the best in years. Several reported some garlic and one buyer reported more garlic than last year but in the majority of cases no penalty has been assessed for the foreign seed. Farmers reporting yields ranging from about 35 bushels to in excess of 45 bushels contribute the good yields in part to the early spring rains and the high test weight at harvest time.

One farmer reported that he believes the grains are smaller than normal, but the heads have a large number of grains.

In the southern end of the

county, wheat combined as late as July 4 was ranging up to 17.5 per cent moisture, but "mostly on the Pennoll variety."

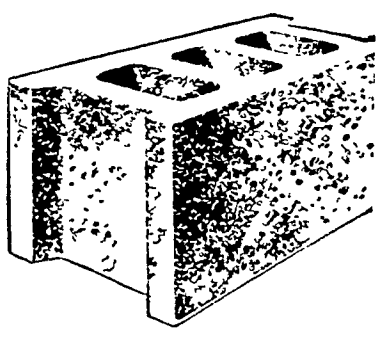
Estimates of the per cent of the crop harvested range from "nearly complete by the end of the week" to "not more than 30 to 40 per cent" complete. The harvest season was more advanced in the western and northern portions of the county with reports from the southern section indicating that some farmers were "holding off" as late as Friday.

While wheat growers waited for dry weather to bring their crop to harvest conditions, corn and tobacco began

to suffer from lack of rain. In some northern and western sections of the county corn showed some wilting during the afternoons late in the week and tobacco growth came to a virtual standstill. Some of the earlier fields continued growth in spite of the drought conditions.

Pastures supplied very little feed and most dairymen are on a hay and silage feeding program. Some dairymen report a full feed program for their cows. Haying conditions were good, but the crop is short.

The Pennsylvania Crop Reporting service summed up the farm situation around the state with three words, "Dry! Dry! Dry!"



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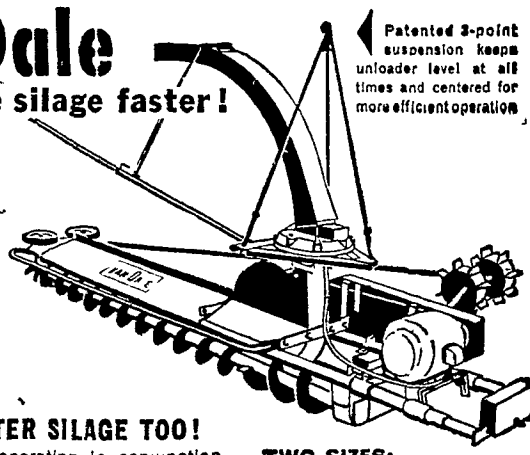
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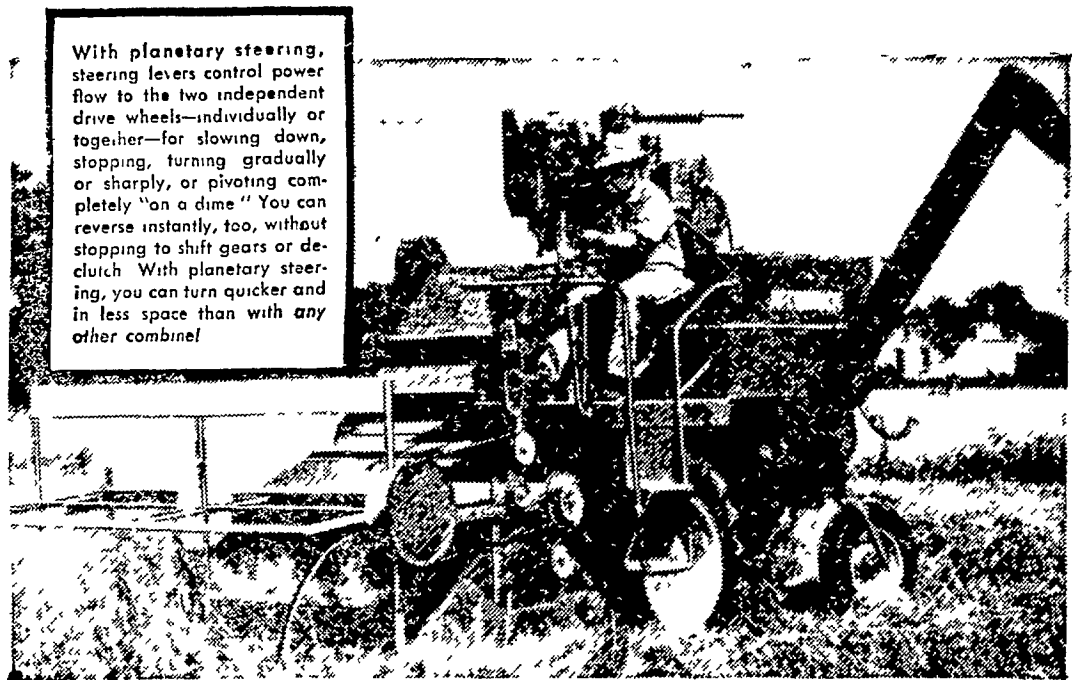
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