

## Conoy Farms Have High Herd in Co. DHIA

The 33 registered Holstein cows in the herd of Conoy Farms, Bainbridge R1, had the highest monthly butterfat average in the Red Rose Dairy Herd Improvement Association during February.

The herd produced an average of 64 pounds of butterfat in 1,706 pounds of milk with

a 3.8 per cent test.

Second high average was the 62 pounds of butterfat produced by the herds of Henry E. Kettering, Lititz R3, and Harry S. Aungst, Marietta R1. The 43 registered Holsteins in the Kettering herd had 1,616 lbs. of milk with a 3.8 per cent test while the Aungst herd of 24 registered Holsteins averaged 1,465 pounds of milk with a 4.3 per cent test.

A registered Holstein in the herd of Harold and Roy Book, Ronks R1, completed the high-

est lactation record during the month. The nine year old cow made 840 pounds of butterfat in 19,855 pounds of milk testing 4.2 per cent.

A six year old registered Holstein cow in the herd of Robert Kauffman, Elizabethtown R1, had 813 pounds of butterfat in 17,092 pounds of 4.8 per cent milk. Both lactation records were made in 305 days.

Completing lactations with records of more than 750 lbs. of butterfat were Holstein cows in the herds of J. Robert

Shenk, Harry G. Kreider, Willis A. Kilheffer, Ellis D. Kreider, and H. H. Haverstick. Raymond and Louise Witmer, Willow Street R2, had the only Guernsey in the association to complete a lactation with more than 750 pounds of butterfat.

Four other county herds had monthly averages of 60 or more pounds of butterfat. They were the herds of Samuel A. Dum, Ivan G. Martin, Paul B. Zimmerman, and Furry H. Frey.

## Hog Slaughter Up 1 Per Cent Over Last Year

The slaughter of hogs by commercial slaughter plants in Pennsylvania during February was 1 per cent above a year earlier according to the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service. For January-February hog slaughter was 5 per cent above the comparable month last year.

Slaughter of other species registered declines from year ago levels. Beef cattle slaughter was down 1 per cent and calves down 7 per cent. Slaughter of sheep and lambs declined sharply because a specialty plant discontinued slaughter of this species.

Commercial production of red meat during February in the 48 States was 2,390 million pounds — up 8 per cent from a year earlier, but 15 per cent less than the previous month. Commercial meat production includes slaughter in Federally inspected and other commercial plants but excludes farm slaughter.

There were 5,208 million pounds of red meat produced during the first two months of 1964, an increase of 9 per cent from the corresponding period of 1963. Of the January-February total, 2,810 million pounds were beef, up 12 per cent from a year earlier; 139 million were veal, down 3 per cent; 2,133 million were pork, up 7 per cent, and 126 million pounds were lamb and mutton, down 5 per cent. Lard production for January-February was 424 million pounds, up 6 per cent from the same period a year earlier.

Beef production during February was 1,299 million pounds — 11 per cent above February 1963 but 14 per cent less than January 1964. The number of cattle slaughtered during February was 2,116,500 head, 7 per cent greater than a year earlier but 16 per cent less than a month earlier. The average live weight of cattle slaughtered in February was 1,055 pounds per head, 23 pounds heavier than February 1963, and 12 pounds heavier than January 1964.

## Holstein Tour Is April 21

The Lancaster County Holstein Friesian Association has set April 21 as the date for the annual spring tour.

The tour will stop at two farms and a tourist attraction in Bedford County.

At the Singing Brook Farm, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Obie Snyder, county dairymen will see a herd of 65 registered Holsteins. One of the attractions will be Singing Brook Miss Piess who has completed an unofficial lactation record of 30,097 pounds of milk and 1,257 pounds of butterfat in 365 days. Another animal of interest will be the "Sissy" cow who has 29,984 pounds of milk and 1,098 pounds of butterfat in 365 days, as well as an impressive record in the show ring.

Local farmers will inspect the retail selling of milk in jugs at the Singing Brook Farm.

At Roaring Springs Farm owned by Kenneth Mowry and his father, the local dairy farmers will see a herd of 125 milking animals with an average classification of 83. The herd has four excellent cows with a H.I.R. average of 14,000 pounds of milk and 528 pounds of butterfat.

Last stop on the tour will be at the Blue Knob Ski Resort where the touring countians will see snow making machinery in operation and have the opportunity to ride on the ski lift.

The tour will leave Lancaster at 7 a.m. April 29. Reservations must be made before April 15.

The Veterans Administration is providing care of eligible veterans in 168 hospitals, 18 domiciliarys and 217 out-patient clinics.

Cirrhosis of the liver is the fifth leading cause of death between the ages of 45 to 64 and claims 20,000 lives a year in this country.

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