

THIS IS WHAT THE PHARES M. WEAVER BARN looked like at 12:45 p.m. Thursday. Approximately 125 men gathered to help replace the Lititz R4 structure lost to fire in February. At 7 a.m. there was nothing above the barn floor. L. F. Photo.

● **Barn Raising**

(Continued from Page 1) by Mrs. Weaver and 11 other women.

Some of the builders are from the Lititz area, but many came from the Farmersville and Groffdale area where the Weavers formerly lived.

They came to help Weavers replace the barn which burned on February 11, and they gave a day's work to help a fellowman in need. But Mrs. Weaver said, "They always do that when somebody needs a barn — not only when they get burned out"

To an outsider, it looked like confusion compounded with so much going on at one

time, but under the organization of Addison Martin, Farmersville, the barn went up on schedule. No short-cut barn this. All the beams and plates were morticed, the tendons cut and placed, holes bored through both and the whole thing pegged together with tough wooden pegs. While this is not the fastest method of construction, the large number of county barns still standing after a hundred years attests to the fact that it is a good method. When the day ended, only the finishing touches remained to be done and 125 men went home with a good feeling of having done something worthwhile.

● **Milk Production**

(Continued from Page 1) Crop Reporting Service in the State Department of Agriculture.

March milk output totaled 644 million pounds, down about 1½ per cent from 1963, but up 7 per cent from average.

Milk cow numbers were estimated at 825,000, or 4 per cent fewer than for March 1963, and 7 per cent less than average.

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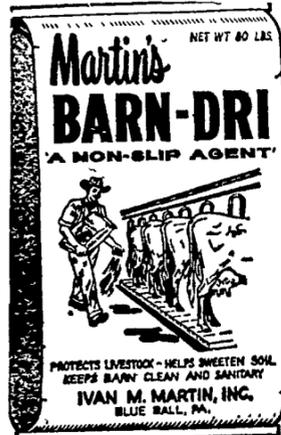
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