

Crop & Livestock Round-Up

CATTLE NUMBERS UP

Significant increases in the number of cattle on feed April 1 have been reported in both the state and nation, according to the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service.

Cattle and calves being fed for slaughter in the state totaled 77,000, an increase of 15 percent from a year earlier. The total in the nation was 9,556,000 head, 13 percent more than a year earlier.

Marketing of fed cattle in the first quarter of this year was up 7 percent from a year earlier in Pa., and up 6 percent nationally.

Pennsylvania cattlemen expect to market 40,000 fed cattle in the April-June quarter, 18 percent more than in the same quarter last year. In the nation, the total is expected to be 4,752,000 head, approximately 12 percent more than in the April-June period of 1965.

1966 WHEAT CROP PROSPECTS UP

Soil moisture on Pennsylvania farms is "generally more favorable than it has been in the past several years," according to the State Crop Reporting Service.

Fine weather in March permitted extensive plowing and preparation of soil for spring crops, especially in southern counties. Good progress was reported in sowing of oats.

The 1966 wheat crop came through the winter in "unusually good condition" with very little damage. Early indications point to a yield of about 31 bushels per acre, slightly less than last year's record 32.2 bushels.

WAGES TREND HIGHER

Farmers, however, face the prospect of paying higher wages to hired help this year, the Crop Reporting Service noted. The average March rate was reorted as \$1.22 an hour, seven cents more than in March a year ago.

PA. WHEAT SIGNUPS

A total of 13,989 Pennsylvania farmers have signed up for participation in the 1966 Federal Wheat Program, according to a report of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

This represents slightly less than 20 percent of the 71,136 farms in the state on which wheat is grown, and involves 127,546 acres.

MILK PRODUCTION SETS MARCH RECORD

Milk production per cow in Pennsylvania soared to a record 830 pounds in March, 30 pounds higher than the previous March record, according to the State Crop Reporting Service.

It was the second time March production per cow topped the 800-pound mark, and only the fifth 800-pound-or-better month in Pennsylvania history. Thirty years ago, March production per cow was only 429 pounds.

The number of milk cows on Pennsylvania farms was estimated at 762,000 in March, down 4,000 from the previous month, and 37,000 less than in March a year ago.

Milk production for the month totaled 632 million pounds, seven million pounds less than a year earlier.

Grange Votes

(Continued from Page 1) carry out the duties of the County Extension Office. They also favored Senate Joint Resolution #103, the amendment to the U. S. Constitution that will permit the people to decide how their State Legislatures shall be apportioned.

The Fifth Degree will be conferred October 15 at Fulton Grange Hall and will be in charge of: Loran Brinton, Mrs. Joseph Hless, Chester Eby, Mrs. Alfred Wanner, Thomas Galbreath and Mrs. Gyles Brown.

The Lecturer, Miss Helen Wanner, opened the program with group singing followed by a reading, "I Am The Grange." Miss Wanner and Mrs. Charles McSparran conducted a ceremony building the Grange Emblem, giving the life history of the seven founders of the Grange organization. Mrs. Charles Davis, Chester County, chairman of the Pennsylvania State Grange Home Economics

Committee, gave a talk outlining the projects and contests open to Grange women in the state. Charles Davis spoke about Delaware Valley Milk Order #1. William Buffington, Master of Pomona Grange #3 of Chester and Delaware Counties brought greetings. Mrs. Stanley Stauffer Jr. conducted a roll call "What I Would Like to See Improved or Developed in Lancaster County." She also conducted games.

Coleman Grange #1667 will be host to the Lancaster County Pomona Grange picnic July 16, 7 p.m. at the Quarryville Memorial Park. Resolution Committee for that meeting will be Alfred Wanner, Richard Maule and Gyles Brown.

Salsbury Grange will present the program at the meeting of Fulton Grange April 25, and the officers of Coleman Grange will fill the officers' chairs.

Land Judging

(Continued from Page 1) Other placings were 6—Daryl Bollinger, Cloister, 7—Glenn Redcay, Solanco, 8—Bairry Miller, Manheim; 9—Delbert Kautz, Manheim; 10—Robert Haddon, Solanco, and Amos Rieff, Grassland.

Sixty-five youths, representing seven Lancaster County and six York County chapters, were entered in the contest. Eight youths from Lancaster and one from York will compete in the state contest during FFA Week at Penn State University.

Judging the event was Al Young, county conservationist for York County. T. M. Malin, area supervisor, and Clara Zembv, agriculture teacher at Warwick High School, assisted.

EGG NUMBERS DOWN, PRICES HOLD HIGHER

A total of 267,000,000 eggs were produced in the state in March, 8 percent less than in March 1965.

There were approximately 14.3 million layers in Pennsylvania during the month, compared to 15.1 million a year earlier, and production per layer was down 2 percent. Prices received by farmers for eggs averaged 44 cents, up 11 cents from last year.

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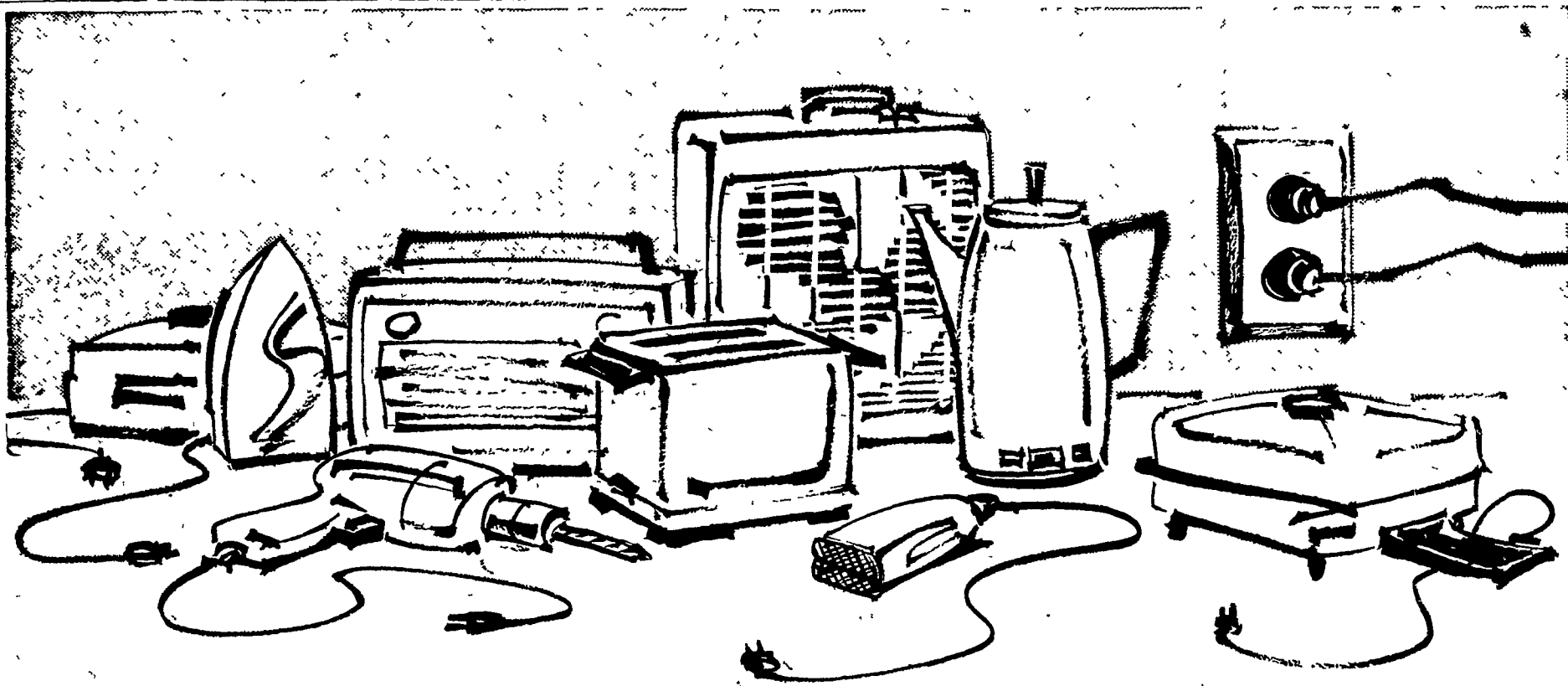
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