

## Type 41 Tobacco Supply At Lowest Level In Six Years, USDA Reports

The 1966 supply of Pennsylvania Seedleaf tobacco is the lowest since 1961, the U.S. Department of Agriculture reported this week.

The Department's Tobacco Situation report showed a supply of 169.6 million pounds, including the 1966 crop of 41.9 million pounds and Oct. 1 stocks of 127.7 million pounds. The USDA said the figures for last year are subject to revision.

Total supplies for previous years were listed at 180.7 million pounds for 1965; 184 million in 1964, 179.8 million in 1963; 182.9 million in 1962, and 168.4 million in 1961. The six-year average is 177.5 million pounds (See Table No. 1).

Disappearance rate of Type 41 tobacco for the five-year period, 1961 to 1965 (1966 rates not available) averages out to 49.9 million pounds. Usage rate by years includes 1961, 45.5 million pounds; 1962, 52.0 million; 1963, 44.7 million; 1964, 54.6 million, and 1965, 53.0 million pounds.

According to March 1 intentions, the 1967 acreage of 23,000 acres would be eight percent below the 25,000 acres harvested last year. But based on an average yield adjusted for trend, 1967 production could approximate 42.5 million pounds, about one half million pounds more than last year, when yields probably averaged the lowest in nine years.

The 1966-67 supply of Ohio filler is the lowest on record and slightly below 1965-66. The prospective 1967 acreage is down 12 percent from last year. Allowing for trend in yields, this year's crop might approximate 5.25 million pounds, about 750,000 pounds less than 1966

The January 1, 1966, stocks of Puerto Rican tobacco — on the island and in the U. S. — totaled 48.25 million pounds, down 14 percent from a year earlier when they were the highest for the date since 1948.

If the crop planted in late 1966 for harvest in early 1967 is near the quota level set by the Puerto Rican government, production for the second year in a row would be less than one-half the average annual harvest in the 1961-64 period.

In 1966, about 45 million pounds of foreign cigar tobaccos arrived in the United States, almost 40 million pounds less than in 1965 and 65 million less than in the previous year.

The leading source was the Philippine Republic, which accounted for about 26 million pounds, some 17 million less than in 1965.

At 98 million pounds, stocks of foreign cigar tobaccos in the U.S. on Jan. 1, 1967, were 24 percent lower than the high of a year earlier, and 16 percent lower than two years earlier.

U.S. consumption of cigars and cigarillos last year totaled 8.3 billion, down four percent from 1965 and nine percent from the 1964 peak. Consumption still remained 14 percent above 1963, the long time high prior to 1964. Not much change from the 1966 level of consumption is expected this year.

### NEW EXPORT HIGH

Cigar exports from the U. S. in 1966 climbed to a new high of 73 million, nearly one-third above 1965. The value of the exports was \$2.2 million, 15 percent above 1965. The lead-

### 4-H Tour

(Continued from Page 1) of the local leaders in the club, Glenn Porter, will be in charge of coordinating the group for the tour that evening, Merriam added.

### ROUNDUP

The roundup event for all tractor maintenance members in the county is scheduled for

Friday evening, April 7, at the Landis Brothers Farm Equipment store, Manheim Pike, Lancaster, at 7:30 p.m., Merriam said.

The program will feature a trouble shooting contest in which all members will have an opportunity to take part. Awards for outstanding project achievement and completion certificates will be presented during the program.

A special feature will be a presentation on Rules and Regulations governing the safe operation of tractors and farm machinery on state highways. This will be presented by an officer from the State Police.

All members are urged to attend this event as it is the final club meeting for the season, Merriam reminded members. He added that parents are especially welcome to attend this program which "should be of interest to all."

Table 2A.—Cigar filler tobacco, types 41-46: Domestic supplies, disappearance, and season average prices, for specified periods

(Farm-gates weight)							
Year	Production	Stocks, October 1	Supply	Disappearance 1/			Average price per pound
				Total	Domestic	Exports	
	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Cents
Pennsylvania Seedleaf (type 41)							
1955	46.7	113.0	159.7	55.0	54.6	0.4	24.5
1956	45.4	105.7	152.1	46.8	46.6	.2	24.0
1957	41.2	105.3	146.5	42.8	42.7	.1	20.5
1958	51.0	103.7	154.7	50.4	50.1	.3	26.0
1959	53.5	104.3	157.8	48.1	48.0	.1	31.5
1960	52.7	109.7	162.4	47.5	47.4	.1	28.0
1961	51.9	114.9	166.8	45.5	45.4	.1	27.0
1962	60.0	122.9	182.9	2/52.0	2/51.7	.3	23.5
1963	51.8	128.0	179.8	2/44.7	44.2	.5	21.0
1964	45.9	135.1	181.0	34.0	34.1	.5	27.0
1965	51.3	129.4	180.7	53.0	51.6	1.8	24.0
1966 3/	41.9	127.7	169.6				

tive, steady to \$1 higher, instances \$2 higher.

VEALERS — Choice 40-45, Good 38-41, Standard 35-39. Utility 28-50-33-50. Cull 25-29 65-90 lb. Cull 21-26.

HOGS 293 — Barrows and gilts 50-\$1 lower.

BARROWS AND GILTS — US 1 & 2 200-230 lbs 19-19 10, 3 head 19 50-20 US 1-3 190-230 lbs 18 35-18 85, 2 & 3 230-250 lbs 17 25-18 10 Couple lots US 3 195-230 lbs. 17-17 50.

SOWS — US 1-3 450-600 lbs 13 50-14 50, Couple US 3 13-13 50.

SHEEP 12 — Not enough on offer for a market test. Few Choice 40-60 lbs Spring lambs 27 50-29 50.

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(Continued from Page 2) week and 175,400 a year ago. Slaughter steers 25-50 lower with Prime as much as 75 off, heifers 25-50 lower. Cows steady to 25 lower. Bulls steady in the carlot dressed beef trade, steer beef steady to mostly 50 lower, heifer and cow beef 50 off.

SLAUGHTER STEERS — At the close, Prime 1175-1400 lbs 25 50-26 00. On Monday, three loads Prime 1250-1300 lbs 26 75, High Choice and Prime 1050-1400 lbs 24 75-25 50, up to 26 00 on Monday, load Prime 1450 lbs 25 25, Choice 900-1375 lbs 23 50-25 25, late mostly 23 75-24 50, High Choice and Prime 1475-1550 lbs 24 00-24 50, load High Choice and Prime 1650 lbs 23 00, load Choice 1500 lbs Mixed Good and Choice 900-1300 lbs 23 25-22 75, Good 22 00-23 75 Standard and Low Good 20 50-22 00.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS — High Choice and Prime 850-1100 lbs 23 75-24 25, two loads at 24 25. On Monday, four loads High Choice and Prime 875-1100 lbs 24 50, Choice 800-1100 lbs 22 75-23 75, Mixed Good and Choice 22 25-22 75, Good 21 00-22 25, Standard and Low Good 19 00-21 00.

COWS — Utility and Commercial 17 00-18 50, Canner and Cutter 16 00-17 50.

BULLS — Utility and Commercial 20 50-24 00.

### Vintage

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COWS — Utility and high yielding Cutter 18-19 60, few 19 75-20 60, Cutter 17-18 50, Canner and low Cutter 16-17.

BULLS — Good 23 25-24 25, few Choice 24 50-24 75 Utility and Commercial 22 50-24, few 15 00-22 50 lbs 25-26 35.

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