

Lancaster Farming

SECOND SECTION



Manor Chapter Banquet Of FFA

Left to right in the Lancaster Farming Photo are. David Hoover, Chapter Star Farmer; Carl Erb, Star Red Rose Farmer; Richard Hackenberger, Vo-Ag Teacher; Richard Rohrer, De-Kolb and Bankers Awards; and Dennis Landis, Star Green Hand. The Father-Son Banquet held at the West Willow Fire Hall last Friday night also featured other awards. They are Project Book, (Gold) Gary Neff & Dave Hoover, (Hon Ment) Charles Hess & Dan Ressler. Poultry, John Martin, Mechanics, Charles Hess; Public Speaking, Dean Sherick, Soil and Water Conservation, Fred Miller & Mark Wagner; Safety, John Martin, Abe Fisher, Charles Hess, Richard Rohrer, Dave Hoover, Dave Kilheffer, Glenn Bitner, Larry Harnish and John Murry See other photograph page 26

PRODUCTION OF MILK UP 2 PERCENT

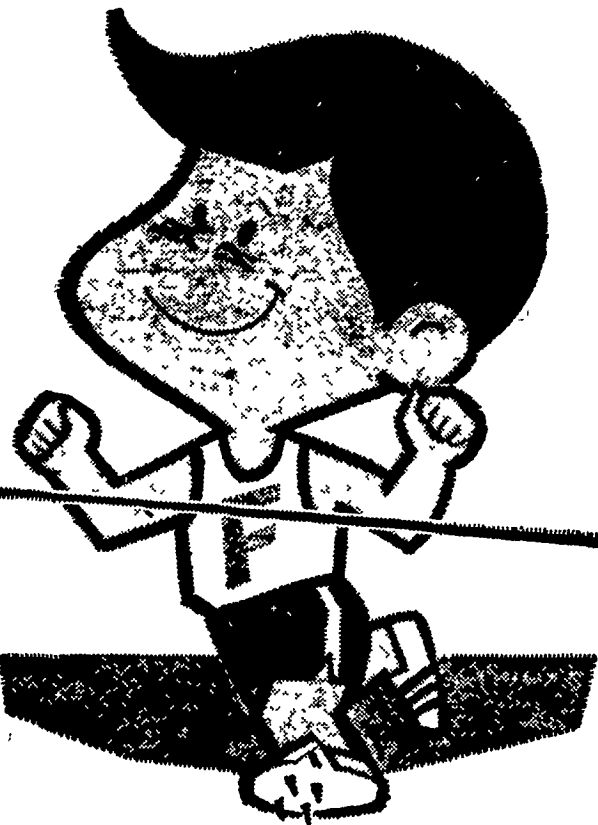
March 1969 milk production was 603 million pounds — up 2 percent from the 592 million pounds produced during March 1968. However production continues well below 1967 levels.

Production per cow at 830 pounds was 20 pounds or about 2 percent more than a year ago but again did not measure up to production in March 1967. Cows in the milking herd were estimated at 726,000, down about 1 percent from 731,000 a year earlier.

Precipitation, mostly rain, during March averaged about one-third below normal. This, combined with short snowfall last winter, leaves us with less than usual soil moisture reserves. Moisture is now adequate for spring growth but more is needed for the growing season. Temperatures averaged a little below normal but there was a general warming trend toward the end of the month.

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