



The nation's farmers enjoyed a relatively prosperous year in 1969. Despite sagging exports, the overall demand for agricultural products was strong, while output increased only slightly. As a result, farm prices soared to the highest point since 1952, outpacing the rise in costs and widening farmers' margins.

Net farm income showed a marked improvement to \$16 billion, a

peak exceeded only once since 1947. Livestock producers enjoyed most of the gain.

Continuing a long-established trend, the number of farms declined again last year, so net income per farm rose to a record high, reports the Northern Trust Company, Chicago, Ill.

**Ag Engineers to Meet State Mums Sales Up**

The Pennsylvania Section of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers will hold its spring meeting beginning at 6:30 p.m. Friday, May 15, at The Timbers near Mt. Gretna.

Wholesale value of cut flowers in Pennsylvania was estimated at \$13,324,000 for 1969, up slightly from the previous year.

The wholesale value of potted mums at \$992,000 was up 27 percent from a year earlier, for a grand total of \$14,316,000 for the flowers surveyed.

Leland H. Bull, state agriculture secretary, will speak on "A Decade Later," covering ag-

In addition, foliage plants net sales totaled \$899,000 down 12 percent from last year.

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