Southern Herds Visited on Chester Holstein Tour

The Chester County Holstein Breeders Association annual tour was held March 22 and 23. The tour group visited dairy herds in Maryland and the Virginias.

Farms visited included C.E. Jager and Sons, Maple Lawn Farm of Fulton, Md., top herd in Maryland with 140 lactations averaging 18,327 pounds of milk, 625 pounds of fat; Kingstead Farm, a 140-cow herd averaging 14,249 pounds milk, 549 pounds fat, a herd with a dozen cows contract mated to bull studs; LeRoy Savage of Boyds, Md., a herd featuring 50 daughters of Paclamar Astronaut; Robert and Mary Poole, a small herd with 13 daughters of Ivanhoe Star and 10 daughters of Whirlhill Kingpin; Renn Remsburg's Brooklodge Farms Jefferson, Md., a herd with records averaging 16,000 pounds milk and 650 pounds fat, with daughters of Elevation and Merry King.

Other farms visited were those of Pete Walker of Shenandoah Junction, W. Va., a herd of "Kansas Burkes" Russell Wachter's Clover Farm, Keymar, Md., with 86 cows having a B.A.A. of 106 per cent; Round Oak Farm, Purcellville, Va., a 100-cow herd with daughters of Elevation, Fond Matt and Defiance.

Bill Harrison's Farm at Leesburg, Va., a herd average of 16,000 pounds milk and a B.A.A. of 104 per cent, and John Rinehart's farm, Littleston, Pa., a herd stressing cow families with high production per cow and a well planned merchandising program.

This year's tour visited some of the top herds in Maryland and the Virginias featuring a variety of management, feeding, and breeding programs. This cross section of dairy farming practices proved to be a very educational tour for all those who attended.

The Round Oak Farm at Purcellville, Va., was one of many farms visited during the Chester County Holstein Breeders annual tour recently.

This group of Chester County dairy farmers left the milking chores to the hired men as they toured dairy facilities, part of a two-day tour by the Chester County Holstein Breeders.

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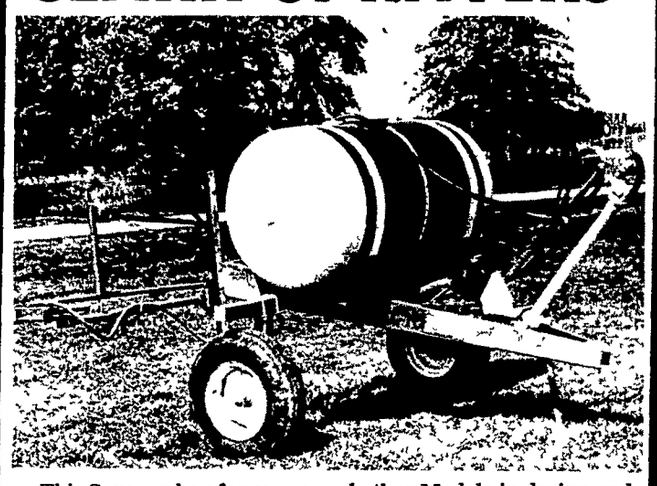

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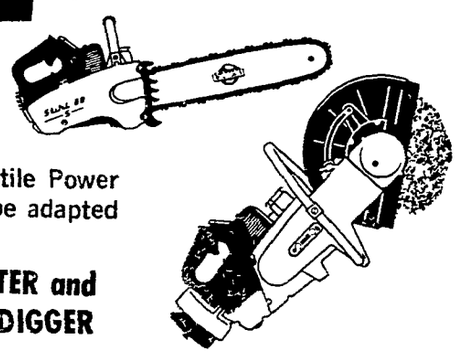

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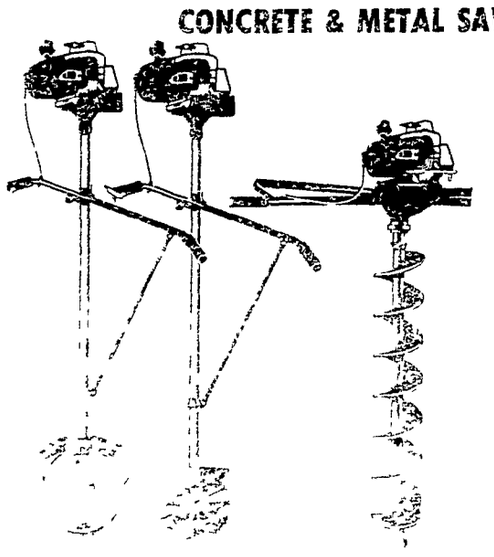

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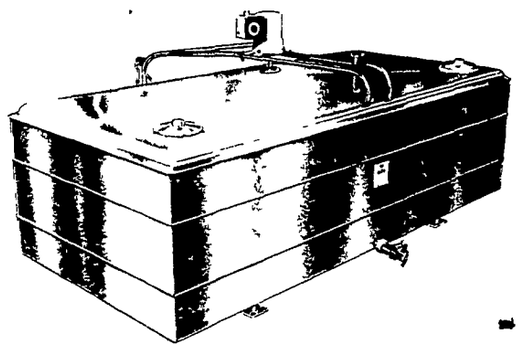

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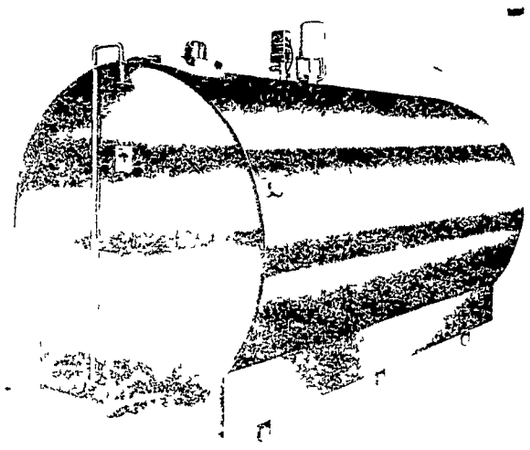

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