

TV in the Barn -

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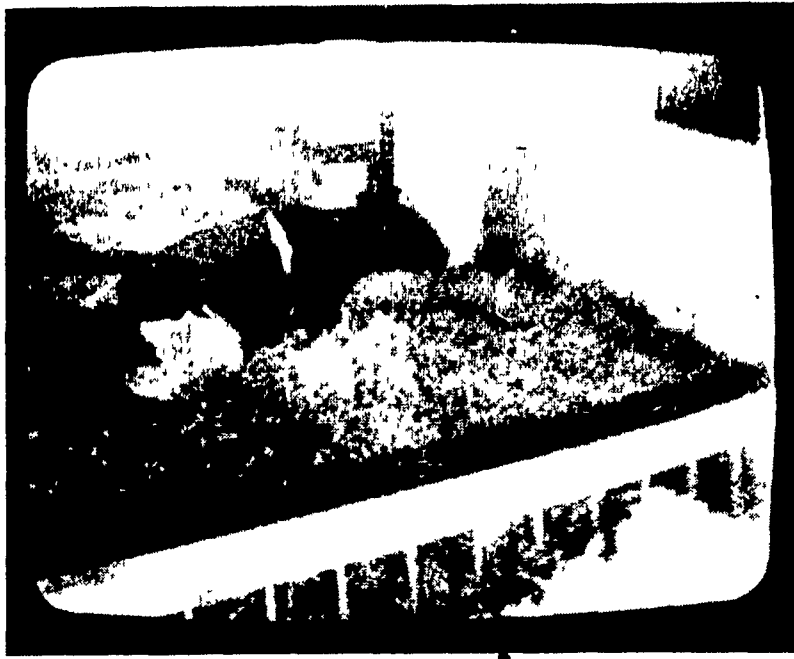
Breeders of expensive cattle and race horses have found similar systems invaluable. Nelson Martin, Clyde's son, reported seeing a TV system in operation on a Chillicothe, Missouri, Charolais breeding farm. "They had twelve monitors there," he said, "but they had really expensive animals. If they lost a calf, they figured they were losing about \$5000."

Less exotic operations, though, have shown the practicality of closed-circuit TV. It saved Ken Longmire of Olympia, Washington, the services of one of his best Holsteins along with

her calf.

Early one morning, Longmire was having a cup of coffee before breakfast. He entered the living room and switched on the closed circuit TV for a view of the maternity pen where one of his highest producers was near calving.

As Joy, Mrs. Longmire, tells it, "Right away, Ken saw that the cow was on her side. She had dug a hole in the sawdust bedding and got caught. She was stuck and couldn't move, and she was bloated from being out of position. We had to get her up right away. Ken got a neighbor to help and with a tractor we were



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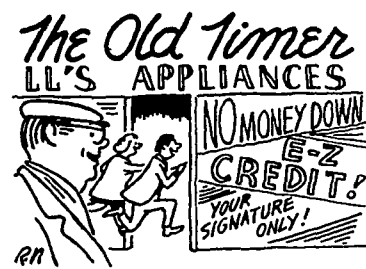
The Longmires felt that, had it not been for the TV system, it would have been another 45 minutes before anybody would have noticed the cow's plight. And by then, it could have been too late.

One significant feature of the system is that anybody, including wives and children, can keep an eye on problem animals. Farmers wanting more information on the system can contact Robinson at Garden Spot High School, New Holland.

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Clifford G. McIntire, AFBF legislative director, and Donald E. Hirsch, assistant legislative director, said "the imposition of export controls on certain agricultural commodities earlier this year was a disastrous mistake."

"The long-run result is likely to be a loss of some hard-won markets due to shattered faith—on the part of foreign buyers confronted by broken sales contracts—in the dependability of the U.S. as a source of supplies. Furthermore, the effectiveness of U.S. representatives in upcoming trade negotiations has been reduced. It will be harder to persuade foreign countries to lower their barriers to imports of our commodities," the Farm Bureau spokesman said.

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