Wheat is 24 percent turning

yellow, about two days behind last year. Harvest of

a small amount of barley

Oats continue to develop

on schedule with last year.

The crop is 35 percent

headed. Heading is even in

central and southern

counties but considerably

Tobacco is reportedly 68

percent transplanted. Last

year transplanting was

basically completed by this

time. The dry weather of the

last few days may help in completing transplanting.
The soybean crop is virtually all planted. This is five

days ahead of 1974. Only the

southern counties show a

small amount yet to plant.

progress. Peaches are being

thinned and sweet cherry

An average amount of feed

As on June 15, across the

United States, the small

grain harvest has been

gaining momentum. In Ohio.

winter wheat is 15 percent

turning, 35 percent in Indiana, and 85 percent in

Illinois with 10 percent ripe.

This development in all three

states is much behind 1974.

percent complete in Georgia

and 12 percent in South

Subnormal temperatures over much of the major corn

growing area limited

growth, however,

development continues

ahead of 1974 and average in

most major states.

The peach harvest is 39

is reported coming from

harvest has begun.

pastures.

Strawberry harvest is in

slower in the north.

was reported.

For the week ending June

23, reports from across the commonwealth indicate that the continued wet weather

has caused the making of

hay to be slower than last

year, according to the

The first cutting of alfalfa

is 57 percent done and

clover-timothy hay is 39

percent complete. These

compare to 64 percent on

alfalfa and nearly 50 percent

on clover-timothy hay last

year. Quality is rated mostly

fair, lower than at this time

The Commonwealth's corn

is 12 inches high. This is

about three inches or five

days ahead of the 1974 crop.

Height is reported nine in-

ches in the north, 12 inches in

central and 14 inches in

development are catching up

to last year. Barley is 51

percent turning yellow and

about seven percent ripe -

southern counties.

Barley and

in the past three years.

Crop

wheat

Pennsylvania

Reporting Service.

Charolais Steers Show High Production

of Charolais-sired steers that parisons.

pounds.

Averaging 451 days of age, the steers went on test weighing 685 pounds and closed the study at 1,293 pounds. The range in gains for the pen was from 3.26 pounds to 3.93 pounds per

After slaughter, the steers produced average carcass weights of 866 pounds with an average cutability of 51.1 per cent. The steers had an average carcass value per day of age of \$1.53, which was 15 percent better than all carcasses in the study. The steers produced .968 pounds lean per day of age, which, on a ratio basis, was 18 per cent higher than other

day.

steers on the test.

The group of carcasses also had an average loin eye measurement of 14.8 square inches, ranging from a low of 12.5 square inches on one steer to 16.7 square inches on

Half-brother steers to a set weight per day of age of 2.76

captured performance honors in the 1973 Great Western Beef Expo at Sterling made a repeat performance in this year's competition, winning the feedlot performance category of the prestigous feedlot - carcass com-Sired by the purebred Charolais bull Bamark, the

pen of five steers from the Lloyd DeBruycker Ranch at Dutton, MT., averaged 3.62 pounds per day daily gains and closed the 168-day feeding trial with a weight per day of age of 2.86 pounds. The performance was best for sire groups in both daily gains and weight per day of

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nearly on par with last year. XXX

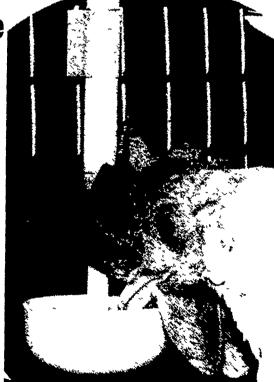
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