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had 15,703 pounds of milk, compared to 17,975 for the Smysers herd, which has 66 milking cows.

Production statistics show that the per cent butterfat remained the same compared to a year ago - 3.9 and the average cost of grain stayed unchanged - \$306 in both years. The value of the milk increased slightly - from \$1156 in 1974 to \$1158 this year. Roughage costs increased by \$40 to the present \$232, causing the total cost of feed figure to rise by the same amount - to \$528. That left the value of the product above feed costs hanging at \$620, compared to \$658 a year earlier.

The Sinking Spring and Stewart herds were the only ones to break the 700-pound mark. The 600-club was led by Paul King, whose 46 registered Holsteins pumped out an average of 16,476M and 666F. Tied for fourth place were the herds of Stump Acres and Smysers Richland Farms, both of which finished with 656 pounds of butterfat. The Stump herd, 115-head strong,

repeated the feat when individual 305-day records were recognized. Sinking Springs captures the high butterfat plaque for a performance turned in by their "Marie" who chalked up 1125 pounds. Stewart took the milk production trophy home in recognition of the 26,545 pounds produced by his "Star."

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The Guy Leader and Sons herd was first among those with registered Guernseys. Sixteen herds finished with butterfat averages of 550 pounds or better, and four of these, (Lynn Wolf, Hidden Springs Farm, Elmer Myers, and Wayne Mummert) exceeded 590.

Paul King, Delta, who finished third this year in the butterfat rankings, was cited during the meeting for having had the "most improved herd with over 500 pounds butterfat." His 666 pounds of butterfat per cow for 1975 is 105 more than he had last year. Everett Richardson of Fawn Grove received a similar award for having shown the most improvement between 400 and 500 pounds butterfat. He recorded an increase of 73 pounds per cow over last year.

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"Molly" was the milk production champ with 227,201 pounds.

But it wasn't just the cows and herd owners who were recognized at the annual dinner and awards meeting. Robert Scott of Delta, DHIA tester for 44 years, was honored by Countains for his service to them and presented with a watch to commemorate the occasion.

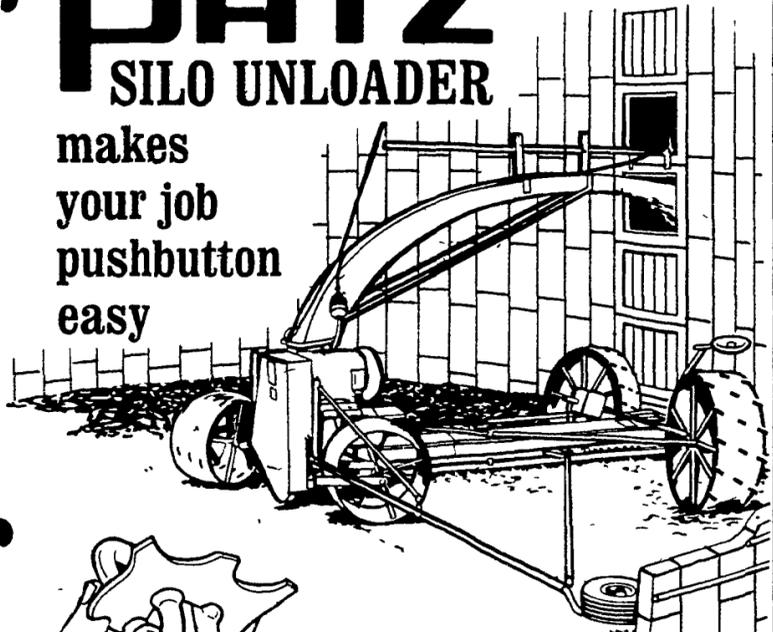
Three new directors were elected. They are: Donald Fanton, Delta; Larry Am-spacher, York; and Rodman Thompson of East Berlin.



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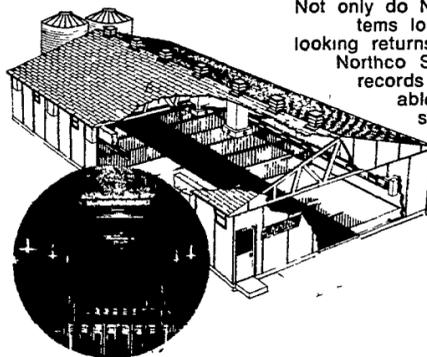
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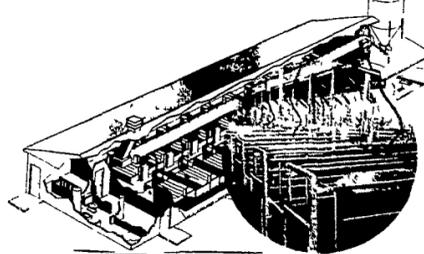


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