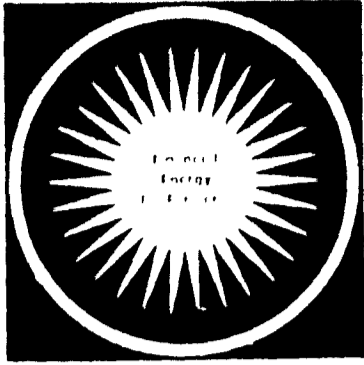


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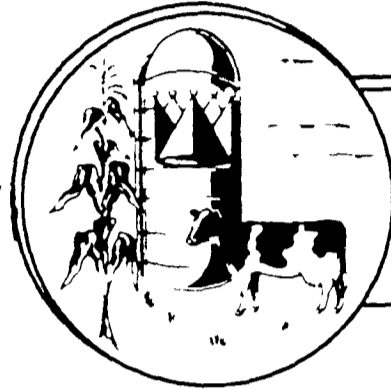
the hog business more unprofitable, and some producers will have to get out of the business again. Efficient production is again very important toward the goal of trying to avoid large surplus of pork products.

TO MAKE HIGH MOISTURE CORN The practice of harvesting field corn in the high moisture range is getting more common. This refers to the shelling or picking of corn in the 25 to 30 per cent range for shelled corn, and 30 to 35 per cent for ground ear corn. This corn can be put into

condition and preserved for livestock and dairy feeding. Corn has been drying rather slowly this fall allowing more time to get the crop harvested. Moisture testers are needed to check the moisture of the kernel and the cob. Moisture content above or below these ranges will mean darker, stronger-odored corn to feed. **TO SECURE NEW FARM TRUCK REGISTRATION** A new Farm Truck License is now available to Pennsylvania farmers producing edible products. This truck registration is to cost \$25.00 per year, but the owner cannot drive more than a

radius of 25 miles from the farm base. The truck must meet all other vehicle inspection requirements. Applications to the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation must be made on or before October 31, 1976. Those qualifying for this special "farm truck" license must produce edible products and include farmers, agriculturists, and orchardists, florists, and nurserymen do not qualify. **TO PREPARE A WILL** This is not a pleasant thought but a chore that everyone owning anything should have done. This is especially true of persons with families that

own real estate, investments, and other financial holdings. Usually, the family attorney is secured to write the will at the direction of members of the family. Without a will, state laws go into effect and dependents do not benefit as well. In the case of parents, both the man and wife should have a will, or a joint document, that will state the distribution of all holdings. We have an Extension Leaflet at our Extension Office that will assist in the merits and the making of a will. We urge everyone to make one at their earliest convenience.



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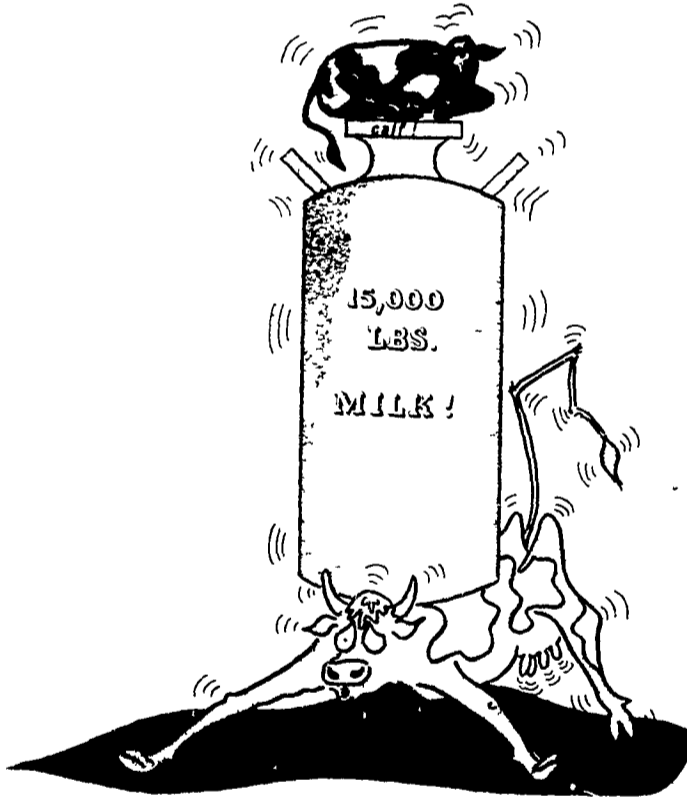
DRY COWS — WHY BOTHER?

The fifth in a series of six articles of interest to you, the farmer.

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Dry cows for many years have been neglected on a lot of farms throughout the country. Many people just put their dry cows in the back pen or back pasture and forget them until they drop their calf. Then they bring them into the barn, start feeding them chop, and wonder why they don't milk. Yes, a dry cow program is very important to a dairyman. Even though a cow is only dry 6-8 weeks and is producing a calf that you hope is strong and healthy when it hits the ground. Most of the calf is made in the last two months of the cows pregnancy or in other words during her dry period. It takes a high level of calcium and phosphorus to build bones, protein to grow hair, and also vitamins and trace minerals to develop the calf properly. To get this job done right you must have a balanced feeding program for the dry cows.

From past experience AGRI-KING has learned that the most critical time for a dairy cow is the last three weeks of her dry period and the first three weeks of



her lactation. So, during this time it is especially important to see that she is fed a balanced ration.

If a dry cow feed is made the AGRI-KING way and the cow only eats half of what she should, she is not on the AGRI-KING dry cow feeding program. It is not only important to get a balanced ration, it is also important to make it palatable so she will eat it. Sometimes this is hard to do.

If a farmer can get a cow to drop her calf and go to peak production without problems, he has a cow that will probably produce her inherited production. It is not always easy for a farmer to feed his dry cows right; but we feel that if he understands why it is necessary to take the little extra attention it takes to do it right, most good farmers will do so. We're convinced that if you take good care of your dry cows, you will have a lot less trouble with milk fever and breeding problems.

There's only one way to do this

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