

New butterfat record set

BRATTLEBORO, Vt. - A new national butterfat production record has been established for registered Holstein-Friesian cows.

Breezewood Patsy Bar Pontiac, 6174402, produced 2,230 pounds of butterfat and 47,500 pounds of 4.7 per cent milk in 365 days, milked twice a day. Proud owners of this outstanding cow are the Gelbke brothers, Henry and Herman, of Vienna, Ohio.

"Pontiac" not only set a new record but had to break her old record to do it. She was the national milk and fat record holder in May, 1974, and has been the top butterfat producer since then.

Officially, "Pontiac's" record stands at 41,420 pounds of milk, 4.6 percent butterfat, 1,905 pounds of butterfat in 305 days; 47,500 pounds of milk, 4.8 percent butterfat and 2,230 pounds of

fat in 365 days, twice daily milking. This record was started at 10 years, 10 months of age. Her lifetime production total for 2,949 days is 251,729 pounds of 4.5 per cent milk and 11,222 pounds of butterfat.

During this record-breaking lactation, "Pontiac" was surprise-tested five times in addition to her regular monthly tests. Her last test for the 365-day record showed she was milking 93.3 pounds of milk testing 5.9 per cent butterfat.

"Pontiac" is classified Excellent 93-3E. She is sired by Zeldenrust Royal Pontiac, 1397752, EX-90 and a Silver Medal bull for type. "Pontiac's" dam, Breezewood Champion Barbara, 4291697, GP-83, is also one of the top-producing cows of all times. She was second on the National Leaders List for butterfat for senior three-year-olds milked twice a day and one of very few cows to produce six records over 1,000 pounds of butterfat. "Pontiac's" maternal grandam, Princess Breezewood R A Patsy,

3816059, VG-85, was also a national fat leader but was replaced by her granddaughter "Pontiac."

Breezewood Patsy Bar Pontiac has four classified daughters scored at 88 points, 79 points and two at 86 points. All produce high-testing milk like their dam. One daughter, "Milly", just completed a junior three-year-old record which ranks her third for fat in the nation.

With this record-breaking lactation, "Pontiac" takes over several positions on the National Production Leaders list. She has the first three places for butterfat in the mature cow, 2X division, both 305 days and 365 days; she takes the third and fourth places for milk in the mature cow, 2X division; both 305 and 365 days; she becomes one of 30 cows with five lactations over 1,000 pounds of butterfat and she becomes one of 19 cows with three lactations over 30,000 pounds of milk.

The Gelbke brothers are planning a party November 6, at their farm, to celebrate "Pontiac's" achievements.



Safety stressed

COLLEGE PARK, Md. - There's a new sign making its way onto farm machinery, and it's designed to call attention to dangerous areas. Officials at the Maryland Cooperative Extension Service, division of Farm and Home Safety, tell Lancaster Farming readers about the sign and its meaning:

The triangle with the exclamation mark in the center is the new Safety-Alert symbol for agricultural equipment developed by the American Society of Agricultural Engineers. This symbol will be used on all

agricultural equipment to point out hazardous areas on the equipment - Attention! Become Alert! Your Safety is Involved.

The symbol will be used in conjunction with warning statements and signs, in instruction manuals, in connection with agricultural equipment safety standards, and on other communications which concern agricultural equipment safety. We added the Be Alert - Be Safe - Be Alive, slogan in hopes that when you see this symbol in the future you will recognize it and its importance.

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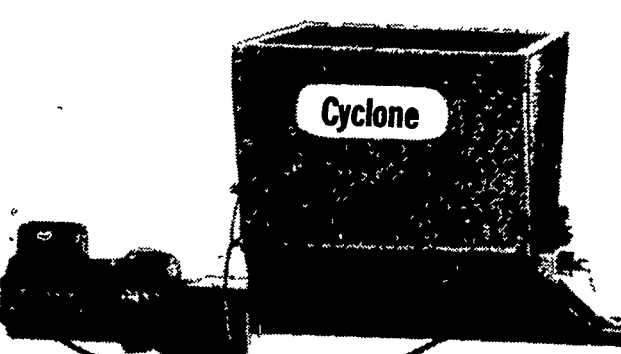
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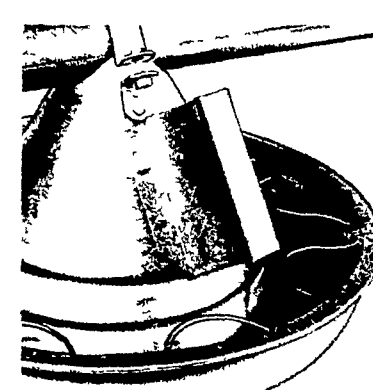


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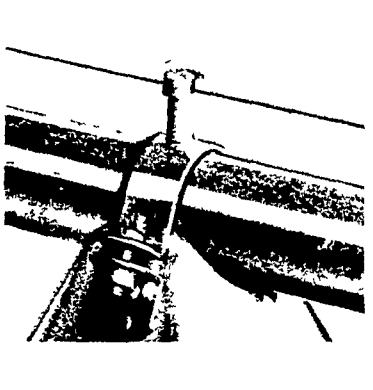
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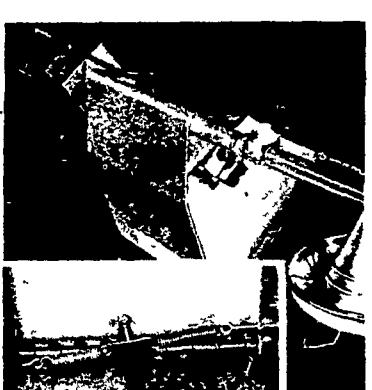
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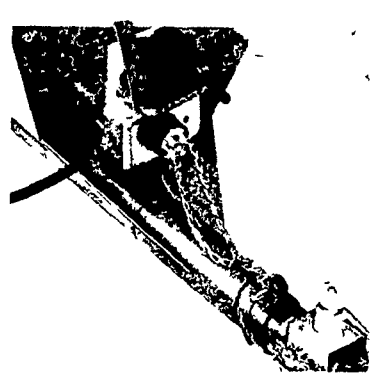
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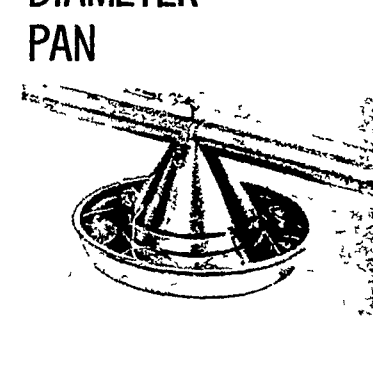
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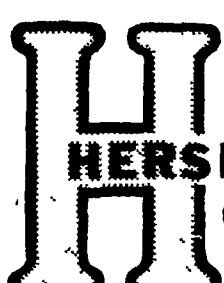
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