Stoltzfus herd

program is that of Jacob

one of the few in the state to surpass the 800 pounds of Stoltzfus, Oxford R1. His is butterfat mark. Milking an

average of 58.1 cows throughout the year, Stoltzfus averaged 19,856 pounds of milk and 838 pounds of butterfat per head.

Runner-up in the butterfat list is Robert Pepple, another Oxford area dairyman whose 76 Holsteins averaged 19,010 pounds of milk and 770 of butterfat. Jefferson Yoder of Elverson, who took the crown for the previous two years, finished

third with his herd average of 18.473 pounds of milk and 751 of butterfat on 59 cows.

The list of dairymen who eclipsed the 700 pounds of butterfat mark continues with:

Ardrossan Farms, Villanova, milking 122 Ayrshires, averaged 16,406 pounds of milk and 715 of fat. David E. Weaver, Glen Moore, had his 52 head average 17,992 pounds of milk and 715 of fat. George Lamborn, Nottingham, comes next on the list with 39 cows averaging 18,190 pounds of milk and 707 of butterfat. The final herd to

break 700 pounds of butterfat was that of John Stoltzfus, Atglen. His 59 cows averaged 17,718 pounds of milk and 701 of fat.

Eight more herds averaged more than 650 pounds of butterfat with their herds, and 29 more went above 600 pounds.

Chester County's DHIA average for 1977 stands at 14,238 pounds of milk with a 39 per cent test and 551

pounds of butterfat. A year earlier it stood at 13,354 pounds of milk, 3.9 per cent, and 516 pounds of butterfat. That state's average this year is 14,142 pounds of milk, a 3.9 per cent test, and 545 pounds of butterfat.

The average feed cost per hundred pounds of milk is calculated at \$4.05, according to DHIA figures for Chester County.



An average of over 700 pounds of butterfat per cow was attained by these Chester County dairymen, left to right: George Lamborn, Jefferson Yoder, John Stoltzfus, Al Stoltzfus, David Weaver.

Robert Pepple, and Richard Billhine for Ardrossan Farms. Al Stoltzfus, holding the largest plaque, accepted it for Jacob K. Stoltzfus, whose herd averaged 838 pounds of butterfat.

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