Killdee Farms tops charts of Cecil Co. DHIA

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ELKTON, Md. - Top honros for the 1977 testing year in the Cecil County, Md., Dairy Herd Improvement Association went to Kelldee Farms. Chesapeake City R1. At the annual banquet held here recently, this herd of 105 registered Holsteins was recognized for highest fat and milk production in both the county and the state. With a test of 740 pounds of fat and 19,120 pounds of milk, Killdee Farms tallied 291 pounds more milk than Pioneer Valley Farms, North East R1, which placed second with 18,829 pounds of milk.

Second high herd in Cecil County for fat production was Chestnut Lane Farm with a record of 687 pounds of fat. Third place in both fat and milk production was the 70-cow herd owned by John Peoples, Jr. Peoples' cows completed the 1977 calendar year with a record of 685 pounds of fat and 18,568 pounds of milk.

Chestnut Lane Farm, placing second in fat production, is also the home of the county's high yearly Holstein cow. Owned by Joseph and Lisa Ayers, Rising Sun, a three-year-old identified as Number 7 finished the year with 28,780 pounds of milk and 876 pounds of fat.

Highyearly records for the Guernsey breed went to J.B. Carson, Jr. and Son, Rising Sun. Hope, a five-year-old tested 20,210 pounds of milk and 777 pounds of fat.

A six-year old Jersey owned by E. Ray McGrady, Rising Sun R1, captured high Jersey production for this past year, completing with 13,870 pounds of milk and 644 pounds of fat.

High lifetime records for three breeds were awarded to Kilby's Inc., Colora; T. Howard England, North East R1; and John Kilby, Sr., Colora. A nine-year-old grade Holstein in the Kilby's, Inc., herd finished with

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The high herds in the Cecil Co. DHIA were represented by Jack Miller, left, herd manager for Killdee Farms, Chesapeake City, and Ronnie Underwood, right, from Pioneer Valley Farm, North East R1. Killdee Farms had the high fat and milk records for both county and state, and Pioneer Valley Farm was second in milk production.



Yearly cow record winners in the Cecil County DHIA were (left to right) J.B. Carson, Sr., high Guernsey with 20,210 milk and 777 butterfat; Edith Kilby representing Kilby, Inc., lifetime high for all breeds--Holstein with 195,700 milk and 7244 butterfat; and Lisa and Joseph Ayers, high yearly Holstein with 28,780 milk, 876 butterfat, also second high herd for butterfat.

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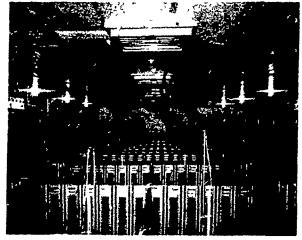
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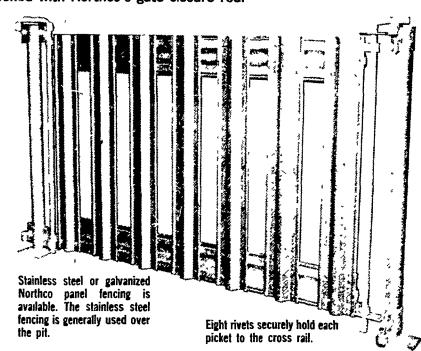
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