

Pa. stored grain up 5 per cent

HARRISBURG — Total stocks of corn, oats, barley, and wheat stored in Pennsylvania on June 1 were 51.7 million bushels, five per cent more than a year ago, according to Pennsylvania Agriculture Secretary Kent D. Shelhamer.

Shelhamer said a survey by the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service indicated farm stocks, at 45.8 million, were up nine per cent. Pennsylvania off-farm holdings of 5.9 million were down 19 per cent.

Total corn in storage at 42.5 million bushels was up three per cent. Off-farm stocks of 3.0 million were about 1.9 million bushels

below last year, but the farm holdings of 39.5 million, up 3.3 million bushels, were more than offsetting the decrease in off-farm stocks.

Wheat stocks at 2.9 million bushels were up 14 per cent. Farm stocks rose from 630,000 bushels to 713,000 bushels while off-farm holdings were 2.1 million bushels compared to 1.9 million bushels in 1977.

Barley stocks at 1.0 million bushels were up 28 per cent. Farm holdings of 813,000 bushels were up 16 per cent from a year ago, while the 232,000 bushels in off-farm storage was 102 per cent above the 115,000 bushels of last year.

The 5.3 million bushels of oats on hand was 11 per cent more than last year. Farm holdings of 4.8 million bushels were 11 per cent over the 4.3 million bushels a year ago, and off-farm stocks at 459,000 bushels is 16 per cent more than last year's 397,000 bushels.

Corn in all storage positions in the U.S. on June 1, 1978 totaled 2.80 billion bushels, 18 per cent above a year earlier, 50 per cent above two years earlier, and the largest June 1 stocks in more than 15 years. Farm stocks totaled 1.81 billion bushels and off-farm stocks were 989 million bushels. Disappearance from all

storage positions during April and May was 1.04 billion bushels, up 12 per cent from the same period of 1977.

Old crop oat stocks in storage on June 1, 1978 totaled 309 million bushels, 88 per cent above the low June 1, 1977 stocks and 51 per cent above the June 1, 1976 stocks. Farm stocks totaled 256 million bushels and were nearly double the June 1, 1977 farm stocks. Off-farm stocks at 53.4 million bushels were up 50 per cent from last year. Disappearance from all storage positions during April and May 1978 was 108 million bushels, up 14 per cent from the 94.1 million

bushels for the same period last year.

Old crop barley stocks in storage in all positions on June 1, 1978 totaled 172 million bushels, up 37 per cent from last year and up 34 per cent from June 1, 1976. Farm stocks totaled 104 million bushels, nearly double last year while off-farm stocks were 67.6 million bushels, down eight per cent from last year. Disappearance from all storage positions during April-May, 1978 was 65.5 million bushels, up five per cent from the comparable period in 1977.

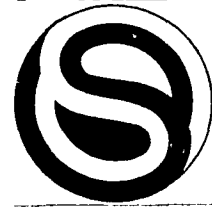
All wheat (old crop) stored in all positions on June 1, 1978 totaled 1.17 billion bushels, six per cent more than a year ago when stocks

were at the level of 1.11 billion bushels, and 77 per cent greater than two years ago. This is the largest June 1 stocks since 1963. Farm stocks totaled 492 million bushels and off-farm storage was 682 million bushels. April-May disappearance this year totaled 351 million bushels compared with 277 millions bushels last year.

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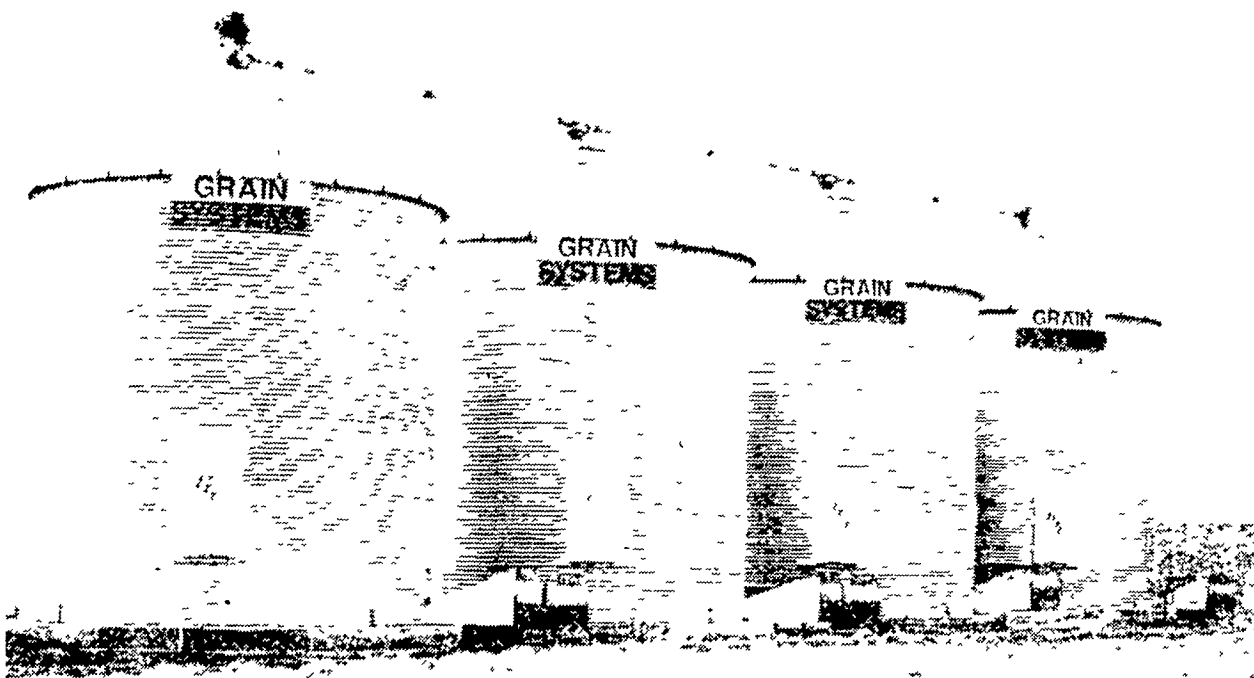
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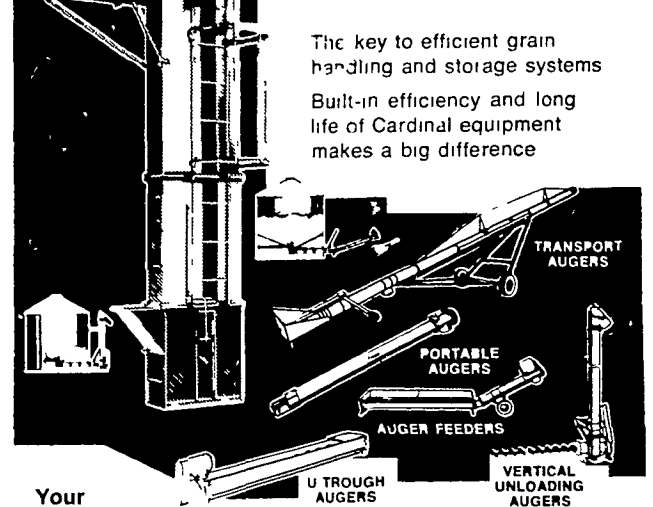
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