## State corn crop seen about same as 1979

HARRISBURG - Based on July 1 conditions, Pennsylvania farmers will produce less rye, oats, barley and tart cherries and virtually the same quantity of corn, as in 1979, according to the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service.

Increased production of winter wheat, pears, sweet is forecast.

Corn for grain is estimated at 115.6 million bushels, compared with 115.4 million bushels last year. Yield is forecast at 94.0 bushels per acre compared with 95.0 bushels the previous year.

Winter wheat production is estimated at 8.2 million bushels, up two percent from a year ago, with acres for harvest at 250,000 compared with last year's 262,000.

The rye crop, at 416,000 cherries, apples and peaches bushels, is down nine percent, with 13,000 acres for harvest this year compared with 17,000 in 1979.

Oats production is ex-

pected to total 18.0 million Barley acreage for harvest bushels, down two percent from a year ago, with 340,000 acres to be harvested. The barley crop is expected to decline to 5.2 million bushels compared with 5.4 last year, a decrease of three percent

decreased nine percent to 105,000 acres.

The 1980 fall potato acreage for harvest is expected to total 22,000 acres,down 2000 acres from 1979. This year's com-

mercial apple crop, forecast at 555 million pounds, would be up four percent from last year. Peach production is expected to total 105 million pounds, up 17 percent from a year ago.

The sweet cherry crop is

expected to reach 1,100 tons, up 16 percent from the 950 tons harvested in 1979. The tart cherry crop is forecast at 5.6 million pounds, down 11 percent. Pear production is forecast at 3700 tons, up 32 percent from a year ago.

### Holstein field day winners named

BY LAUREL SCHAEFFER

Staff Correspondent SHARTLESVILLE Senior members of the Junior Holstein Association sponsored their annual field day at Ro-Ria Farms, here last week. This annual event is geared to help prepare the jumor members for the busy show season which is quickly approaching

Junior members are divided into groups of three and are assisted by a senior members in preparing a heifer for show. Junior members are also given advice from the more experienced members in showmanship and later participate in showmanship classes as well.

This year twelve teams participated in the event. Judging the contest was George Merrill of Willow

Leesport. Following are the results:

FITTING:

Team 1 - Duane Stump, Bernville; Lee Schlappich, Mohrsville; Scott Troutman, Myerstown; and Scott Miller, Hamburg, advisor. Team 2 - William Lesher, Bernville; Ann Kopfer, Fleetwood: James Wagner

Creek Animal Hospital, Fleetwood; and Karen Sattazahn, Womelsdorf, advisor. Team 3. Diane Troutman, Myerstown; Micnele Christman, Shartlesville; Jimmy Younker, Fleetwood; and Bill Zollers, Mertztown, advisor.

Showing 8-10 year olds:

1. Kirk Sattazahn. Womelsdorf; 2. Brian Herbert, Fleetwood; 3. Jun

Blatt, Robesonia. Showing 11-12 year olds:

1. Gary Bicksler, Richland; 2. Lee Schlappich Mohrsville, 3. Lynn Krick Fleetwood.

Showing 13-14 year olds: 1. Scott Troutmar Myerstown; 2. Charle Seidel, Lenhartsville; Schlappic Tammy Mohrsville.

## Meat and livestock statistics

WASHINGTON, D.C. -The tenth annual edition of "Meatfacts", a statistical summary of key information concerning livestock and meat, was published on July 10 by the American Meat Institute.

The 28-page report is a compact, yet comprehensive. statistical

survey of the U.S. meat industry.

Major USDA and AMI data in chart and graph form concerns livestock numbers; slaughter and meat production; farm cash receipts from livestock; consumption and prices; procesed and canned meat production; employment, earnings, sales, and costs of

"A major value of Meatfacts is the portrayal of trends, such as the growing impact of the American livestock and meat industry on foreign trade," says C. Manly Molpus, AMI

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president. Meatfacts also documents the cyclical low of cattle on American farms in 1979, the significant increase in hog numbers and the expected record hog marketings in

Molpus says, "The American consumer cannot immediately look forward to more steaks and hamburgers as herd rebuilding takes place in the '80's. He adds that because of record high hog marketings, there will be a plentiful supply of

pork. Meatfacts is available from the American Meat Institute, P.O. Box 3556, Washington, D.C. 20007. Single copies are \$1.00 each; quantities of two or more are 55 cents each.

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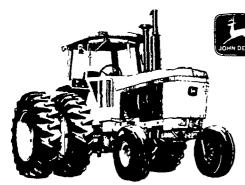
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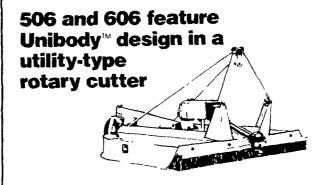


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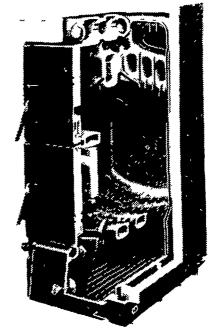
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