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size, labor costs will also increase. Chances are, your production per cow will drop at least 10 percent during the expansion years. There goes your margin — and your family satisfaction.

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appreciate why I am such a nut on advocating getting good before getting too big too soon. (It also contributes less to the milk surplus problem).

So, now is the time to pay attention to all those little details that pay off in improved production, profit and satisfaction. If you really take good care of your cows, chances are they'll take good care of you. Feed them right, even though feed is expensive; that includes dry cows and heifers, too. A costlier mistake would be not to give cows the feed they need for top performance.

If feed supplies are tight,

you might consider culling some cows and reducing the size of your heifer herd. If you go to lower-cost feed

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## 4-H agents honored

COLLEGE PARK, Md. -Three University of Maryland Extension faculty members have received

substitutes, like urea, or to alternative type feeds such as brewers grains, be sure you have your ration properly balanced, your cows healthy, and make the changes gradually.

Observe cows closely for heat and make sure their reproductive tracts are healthy before breeding. Turning cows out for exercise will aid heat detection and enhance better herd health.

Keep the herd healthy. Dry pens, no drafts, fresh air and a clean barn will help a lot. Work closely with your veterinarian on vaccination programs and other preventive herd health measures.

Be sure your milking system is well-maintained and functioning properly. And, it's always good to reevaluate your own milking techniques and your mastitis treatment program, too.

recognition from the National Association of Extension 4-H Youth Agents.

They are Mrs. Ruth A. Proctor of Glenmont (Montgomery county), Mrs. Edith C. Williams of Wheaton Woods (Mon-tgomery County) and Mr. Bobby G. Busbice of Good Luck Estates (Prince Georges county).

The trio was honored on Nov. 4 at Detroit, Mich., during the thirty-fourth annual conference of the NAEA. The two Montgomery county residents were Maryland winners of organization's Distinguished Service citation, and Mrs. Busbice was presented with a 25-year service plaque.

A native of Noblesville, Ind., Mrs. Proctor has been an Extension 4-H youth agent in Montgomery county sınce Aprıl 1, 1975. She holds academic degrees from Purdue University and American University. She is a past newsletter editor both for Glenmont elementary school and the District of Columbia Home Economics Association.

Prior to her current employment, Mrs. Proctor was active in community, church and youth activities in Montgomery county. She founded the Chestnut Ridge 4-H club and served as its leader for 13 years.

In 1974 she was one of eight persons throughout the United States to receive the national 4-H alumni Gold Key Award. In 1975 she was honored by the Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce, and she received two awards from the Purdue University Alumni Association.

During her years as a

volunteer worker. Mrs. Proctor was credited with "extensive counseling and leadership of more than 3,000 youth individually and in small groups,"

A native of Hamlet, N.C., Mrs. Williams has been an Extension 4-H state program leader at the University of Maryland since April 1979. She previously served as an Extension 4-H youth agent for 51/2 years in Montgomery County.

Mrs. Williams is a graduate of A and T State University at Greensboro, N.C. Before coming to Maryland, she spent 10 years as a professional Extension worker in Chatham and Durham counties in her native state.

During her Maryland career, she has been a county and state supervisor for youth involvement in the Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. One of her outstanding accomplishments was coordination of Extension 4-H programs with numerous community organizations in order to better serve youth.

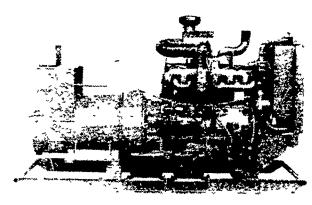
The mother of twins, she has been active in the United Methodist Church, NAACP and the National Council of Negro Women. She received the Outstanding Maryland Youth Worker Award in 1978.

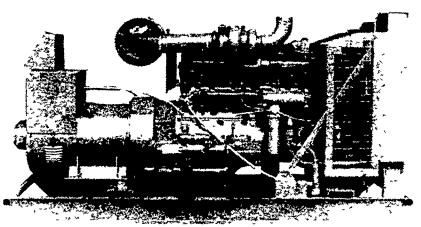
A rative of Eros, La., Busbice has been a field supervisor since 1968 for the University of Maryland's Cooperative Extension Service. From 1955 to 1968. he served as an Extension 4-H youth agent in Harford county. Prior to that, he taught vocational agriculture for one year at Damascus High School

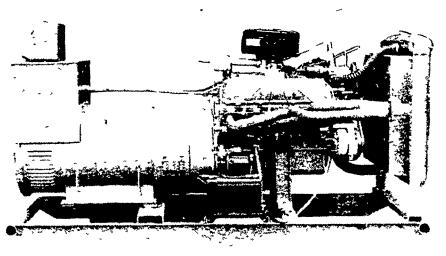


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