Del. marketing specialist forecasts uncertain grain outlook

NEWARK, Del. - "Farmers may want to hold up on further grain sales until the fate of this year's corn and soybean crops is

Conditions a month ago indicated a record corn crop, but the resistant crop, says the specialist. picture has changed a lot since

"We don't have a definitive new crop production estimate yet on corn," he says, "but you can ex- acres of corn - 188,000 acres of this storage on Delaware farms - 45

pect a considerable reduction in for grain. This is about 2 percent the size of the estimated yield in the next report.'

Soybean yields may also be determined," says University of somewhat reduced, but it's too Delaware Extension crops soon to look for substantial marketing specialist Carl German. reductions in this crop. Rain could still benefit this more drought-

According to estimates of the Delaware-Maryland Crop Reporting Service, Delaware farmers planted about 196,000 364,000 bushels of soybeans in

higher than last year. They planted about 265,000 acres of soybeans.

The June 26 grain stocks report indicates corn supplies of 637,000 bushels stored on Delaware farms as of June 1 - 21 percent below the year-earlier level of 800,000 bushels. Off-farm corn stocks amounted to 2.76 million bushels -16 percent below last year.

The same report indicates

percent below last year's level of 660,000 bushels.

"All of this suggests holding back on turther sales right now,' German says.

German says he thinks the national corn crop forecast of 7-1/2 billion bushels may be somewhat optimistic due in large part to the lateness of planting in the eastern

part of the Corn Belt this year. The national soybean crop for 1981 is estimated roughly at 2 billion bushels, based on acreage planted.

Farmers should have a better idea of the supply situation on the Eastern Shore when the next Delaware-Maryland Crop Report comes out. It is scheduled for release August 9 or 10.

Guernsey breeders schedule field day



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LANCASTER — The Lancaster County Guernsey Breeders will hold their annual field day on August 4 at 10.30 a.m. at Romella Farms in Strasburg.

The field day will include the judging of three classes of Guernsey cows for which prizes will be awarded. William Fredd, Quarryville, a former Vo-Ag teacher at Solanco will officiate the

classes and will double as the afternoon speaker for the event.

Directions to Romella Farms: take Route 222 to Hessdale, and turn east on to Bunker Hill road. Travel to Sandstone road and turn right, Romella farms is the first farm on right.

For more information or further directions contact: Ken Garber, tield day chairman 717/464-2894.

AMERICAN BREEDERS SERVICE July 1981 USDA Sire Summary

7 Holstein Sires + 2,000 lbs. Milk 12 Holstein Sires + '200 Product Value

CODE NO.	CODE NAME	\$\$	MILK	%	FAT	RPT	PDT	RPT
29H3303	Eric	+256	+2,241	10	+65	42%		
29H3064	Jason	+254	+2,144	06	+68	72%	+1.30	75%
29H3161	Print	+251	+2,062	04	+69	72%	44	74%
29H3085	Elmer	+246	+1,892	+.03	+73	67%	+.11	68%
29H2851		+240	+1,908	+.00	+69	73%	+2.45	70%
29H3105	Milmay	+237	+1,835	+.02	+70	65%	+1.50	55%
	Columbus	+236	+2,201	16	+54	28%		
	Milkmaster	+232		+.00	+67	56%	+1.81	51%
	Dairyman	+212	+1,665	+.01	+62	52%	+1.54	54%
29H3635	Tannsen	+207	+1,773	07	+54	42%	45	38%
TOP 10	AVERAGE	+237	+1,956	02	+65	57%	+.98	61%
29H2960	Sexation	+204	+1,497	+.06	+64	69%	+2.38	66%
29H2969	Marvin	+200	+1,822	11	+48	66%	+.95	64%
29H3098		+196	+1,706	08	+50	68%	+1.63	68%
29H3124		+ 195	+1,786	12	+46	69%	31	70%
29H2510	Demand	+193	+2,173	31	+29	99%	+.70	99%
29H3130			+1,545	01	+55	66%	49	71%
29H2856			+1,773	13	+43	64%	99	62%
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29H2811		+179	+2,030	30	+26	87%	+.09	80%
29H2847	Money Maker	+179	+1,969	26	+29	73%	+1.27	70%
TOP 20	AVERAGE	+214	+ 1,869	08	+55	65%	+.67	67%
29H2905		+177	+1,767	18	+36	84%	+.00	81%
29H3158		+177		+.06	+56	72%	+.79	74%
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