Maryland receives tobacco grants

COLLEGE PARK, Md. -Representatives of the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, Winston-Salem, N.C., visited College Park in mid-February to present checks totalling \$9,000 to agricultural administrators at the University of Maryland.

Of that amount, \$4,000 will be used to support a new tobacco production education and computer training program by the university's Cooperative Extension Service, while \$5,000 was earmarked for a discretionary grant to be used by the dean of the College of Agriculture.

Components of the tobacco Extension funding plans include: county agent training in tobacco

production; - young tobacco farmer seminars; - improved educational resource materials; computer development for tobacco education.

The dean's discretionary grant is intended for enhancement of academic programs in the university's College of

Agriculture.
Since 1977, R.J. Reynolds has contributed \$84,876 to help support tobacco research, Extension and academic programs at the University of Maryland. The company's contributions to similar activities at land-grant universities in all tobacco-producing states have totaled approximately \$4 million since 1962.

Pa. milk production up

production in Pennsylvania during January 1963 totaled 782 million pounds, up three percent from a year earlier, according to the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting

The number of milk cows in the Commonwealth during January average 738,000 head, up 4,000 head from a year ago. Milk production per cow averaged 1,060 pounds in

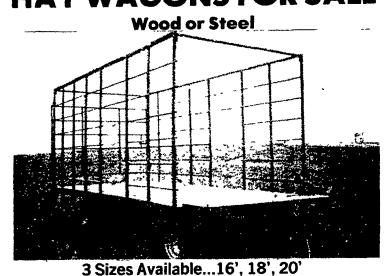
January, up 30 pounds from a year

Milk production in the nation during January 1983 totaled 11.3 billion pounds, two percent more than January 1962. Total milk cows averaged 11.1 million head, slightly higher than a year earlier. January production per cow averaged 1,021 pounds, 13 pounds above a year earlier.



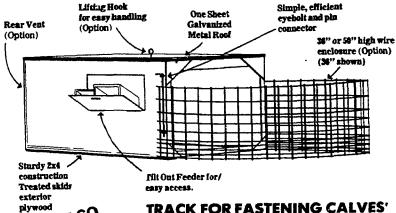
Administrators at the University of Maryland recently received checks totaling \$9,000 from representatives of the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company. Shown, left to right: Larry N. Vanderhoef, provost for the university's Division of Agricultural and Life Sciences; Arnold R. Mitchem and Leslie S. Lewis, agricultural research and development coordinators for Reynolds; Craig S. Oliver, director of the university's statewide Cooperative Extension Service; W. Lamar Harris, director of the Maryland Agricultural Experiment Station; Claude G. McKee, superintendent of the university's tobacco research farm near Upper Mariboro, and Donald A. Hegwood, dean of the College of Agriculture.

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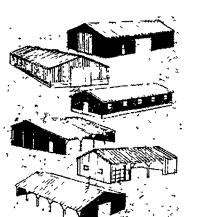
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