

# 1986 Keystone Tour Held



The 1986 Keystone Tour visited the John Hess Farms on Wednesday. Test plots on the farm were used to show the effectiveness of herbicide applications.

MAYTOWN — The John Hess Farms at Maytown, Lancaster County, was the site of the 1986 Keystone Tour sponsored by the ag division of Ciba-Geigy. These farms (86 acres in one and 103 acres in the other) produce livestock, corn, barley, wheat, tobacco and tomatoes, and were used as the location of test plots to show the effectiveness of herbicide applications.

In the opening session at the Rock Point Park, E.D. Kuhn told the farmers and field representatives gathered for the tour that he is testing over 100 herbicide treatments on triazine resistant, pigweed and lambsquarter. "We are committed to research and development that will find new, effective herbicides to control not only triazine resistant weeds, but

also other problem weeds such as Shattercane," Kuhn said. Kuhn listed the following strategies for managing herbicide resistant weeds.

1. When using single site of action herbicides with a history of resistance, combine with other herbicide chemistry to improve or lengthen control.

2. Do not use higher than label rates of residual herbicides or more frequent applications of postemergence and short residual herbicides than needed.

3. Rotation of crops will tend to reduce the favorable conditions for problem weeds.

The participants of the tour were guests of the company at an ox roast back at the park.

## USDA

## Buyout

## Report

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The sixth weekly report on the buyout was released by the USDA on Wednesday.

USDA figures show an estimated 24,200 head of cattle in the program were slaughtered during the week ending June 2. This figure includes all cows, heifers and calves in the DTP, according to the USDA spokesman.

An estimated cumulative total of 447,000 head have been slaughtered since the beginning of the DTP on April 1.

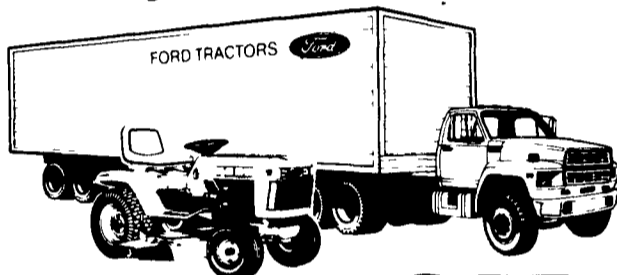
Meat purchases by the government reached 11.9 million pounds for the week ending June 21. This meat was purchased in the form of 3,529,764 pounds of canned beef, and 8,354,500 pounds of bulk-frozen ground beef.

The cumulative total meat purchases is 148,718,852 pounds.

Cumulative total of dairy cows that were reported for export since April 1 is 11,675 head. This total is expected to increase as foreign countries are preparing to take advantage of the Export Enhancement program.

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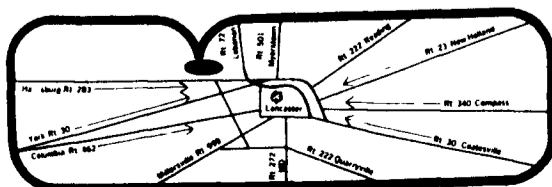
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