



C. Richard Neff of Neff Brothers, Inc. cut the last few acres of his tobacco crop near Millersville this week. High temperatures took its toll on the county's tobacco crop this year.

Weather Affects Tobacco Crop

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iful. But those who planted late in June are hurting. Some sections got more rain than others. Rain was real spotty. I'm just finishing topping some of the later tobacco. My tobacco right now is a little on the dry side. I'll start cutting on Saturday," said Rohrer.

Neff and his brother planted 14-15 acres of tobacco this year which is about ten percent decrease in acreage from last year. But of the nearly 15 acres only about three acres was really hurt badly by the weather conditions. The portion planted early has already yielded what Neff considers a normal harvest. That planted the latest in the season turned out to be the poorest crop.

"This is the last we have and this is our poorest. We planted it the last week of May and I think it is only 75% of what it should have been. And we think it was the high temperatures which really hurt it. The other plantings we had in a week before were not really hurt too much. But this particular field was just at the stage when it really should have started to grow and the first week of July it got hot and it actually killed some of the new leaves. They turned brown from the heat," explained Neff. "Other than that we are going to have some tobacco harvested that is as good as we have ever had."

Neff said the rain which amounted to 85/100" which fell on his area Sunday night actually revived the younger tobacco for a short time. But it was not enough to make up for the damage from the high temperatures.



This sale action and crowd photo shows the Conestoga Classic Sale held in Lancaster County Thursday evening. Sponsored by the County Holstein Association, the sale top was \$3,000 for Welk-Crest Rex Sugar.

Sweetens Classic

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sold to Amos Kauffman, Honey Brook. The calf was out of an Excellent four year old and had a

same quality which has won him the Pennsylvania Type Division Championship which it did last year, but his says he will be looking for it. Neff Bros. of Millersville took the championship in the Maryland Type Division of the tobacco show in 1986 and says his crop looks as good as any as he has had before.

three generation maternal side with records all over 20,000 pounds of milk and up to 1,300 pounds of butterfat. The fresh cow was by Glenn Afton Enhancer out of a dam with a string of records to 20,460 pounds of milk.

At \$1,900 was the first cow in the ring a Valiant daughter from Weeping Willow Farm, Mount Joy, that sold to Mike Weimer, Embenton. In all, 50 head averaged \$1,270.

The sale sponsored by the Lancaster County Holstein Club is an annual event. Rick Hess, president, was this year's acting chairman. Elvin Hess, Arlen Keener and Paul Welk made the selections. The sale committee included Lamar Witmer, Jay Mowery Fry, Robert Kauffman, John Howard, Arlen Keener, Jay Landis, Elvin Hess, Jay Howes, Mike Weimer and Roy Miller. Personnel from the Pennsylvania Holstein Association clerked the sale.

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