

## 50 LB. BAG **CALF STARTER WINNERS DURING AG PROGRESS DAYS**



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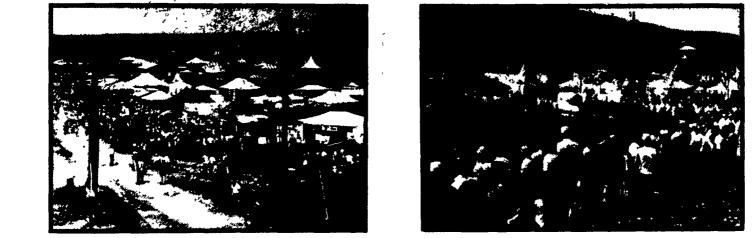
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## AREAS TO LOOK AT TO IMPROVE PROFITABILITY

- 1. Use 2- feed system for milk cows. Fresh cows get high density feed for peak lactation, and tail enders are fed least cost ration.
- 2. Increase forage feeding to lower producing cows this will reduce amount of feed needed to balance
- 4. Work on a better growing program for the generally neglected yearling heifer. Bigger "spring of rib" heifers will eat more forage and give a bigger milk check during their first lactation. Heifers need to average 15,000-16,000 lbs. of milk for their first lactation.

**DUANE EWING** McClure, Pa. Snyder County

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- 3. Don't keep extra benefits it costs approximately \$300 per year to feed each heifer. Milking cows x 60% gives you total number of heifers birth to fresh. Example 50 milk  $cows \times 60\% = 30$  heifers total.
- 5. Use NPN (non-protein nitrogen) to reduce protein costs in mid to late lactation dairy rations.
- 6. Reduce overhead- rented ground and poorly utilized equipment can be costly. It generally pays to grow your forages, but look at using custom services for silo filling.

