## The Lord's, The Bank's And Ours

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on a Donegal farm, and a complex built for 750,000 layers on their Middletown farm.

They plant 400 acres of potatoes and grow feed for their dairy, beef, and replacement heifers.

Many businesses, as they grow bigger, see family members phase out of putting in long hours with the farmwork and book work, but not the Kreiders. Noah Jr. said, "We saved everywhere we could. Our wives and children put long hours in the business.'

Noah Jr. and his wife Marian have three children, Sharon, Ronald, and Jim. Richard and his wife Pauline have three, Pat, Sandra, and Debbie, (a son Richard died in a traffic accident this past year).

Richard, Noah Jr. and his sons, Ron and Jim, head the operation.

"The sons are taking more of a lead role and we are sort of phasing out," said Noah Jr. of his and Richard's part in the business.

Ron is married to Hollee and Jim to Marilyn. In addition to family members, the Kreiders said, "We owe a lot to our employees. One of our employees has been with us for 43 years.'

Richard's son-in-law Dave Johnson manages the restaurant and Richard Shellenberger, employed since 1972 oversees the four stores, milk plant, and restaurants.

Of the Kreiders' agriculture endeavors that include 3,000 acres, Noah Jr. said, "We don't take credit for this ourselves. We always say that this is the Lord's, the bank's, and ours."



Noah Kreider Jr. stands in front of the first Kreider Dairy Farms Restaurant where a glass of milk is served free with meals.

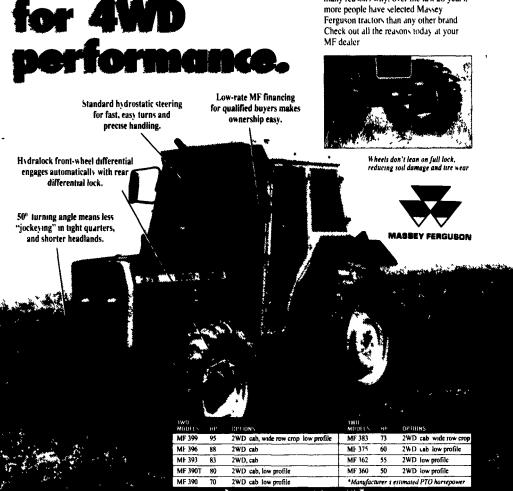
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