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Directors, Officers Named

STATE COLLEGE (Centre Co.)—At the regular board meeting of the Pennsylvania DHIA this week, two new directors were seated. They are: Marian Butler, from Tioga County; and Luke Rebeck, Northumberland County.

In the election of officers, Frank Orner, president; Bill Jackson, vice president; and Norm Hershey, treasurer, continue in their positions. Lane Sollenberger was elected as the new secretary of the board.

How Does Your Herd Compare?

STATE COLLEGE (Centre Co.) — These data are calculated using information pulled from Pennsylvania DHIA's mainframe computer each week. It is a one-week summary representing approximately one-fourth of the herds on test, as they are tested monthly.

These data are valuable from a business management standpoint and can be used for comparing your operations to the averages from about one-fourth of the herds across the state.

DHIA Averages for all herds processed between 04/09/94 and 04/16/94

Number of Herds Processed	1,076
Number of Cows Processed	65,501
Number of Cows Per Herd	60.8
Milk Per Cow (Lbs)	18,433
%-Fat	3.69
Fat Per Cow (Lbs)	681
%-Protein	3.19
Protein Per Cow (Lbs)	589
Average Days in Milk Per Cow	319
*Value for CWT Milk(\$)	13.03
*Value for CWT Grain(\$)	7.90
*Value for CWT Hay(\$)	4.17
*Value for CWT Silage(\$)	1.52
*Value for Pasture Per Day(\$)	.28
*Value for Milk Per Cow Per Year(\$)	2,403

Average Farm Feed Costs For Handy Reference

To help farmers across the state to have handy reference of commodity input costs in their feeding operations for DHIA record sheets or to develop livestock feed cost data, here's this week's average costs of various ingredients as compiled from regional reports across the state of Pennsylvania. Remember these are averages so you will need to adjust your figures up or down according to your location and the quality of your crop.

Corn, No. 2y - 3.05 bu. 5.46 cwt.
Wheat, No. 2 - 3.39 bu. 5.65 cwt.
Barley, No. 3 - 2.47 bu. 5.28 cwt.
Oats, No. 2 - 1.69 bu. 5.26 cwt.
Soybeans, No. 1 - 6.42 bu. 10.72 cwt.
Ear Corn - old 88.93 ton 4.45 cwt.
Ear Corn - new 82.50 ton 4.13.
Alfalfa Hay - 111.25 ton 5.56 cwt.
Mixed Hay - 105.00 ton 5.25 cwt.
Timothy Hay - 107.50 ton 5.38 cwt.

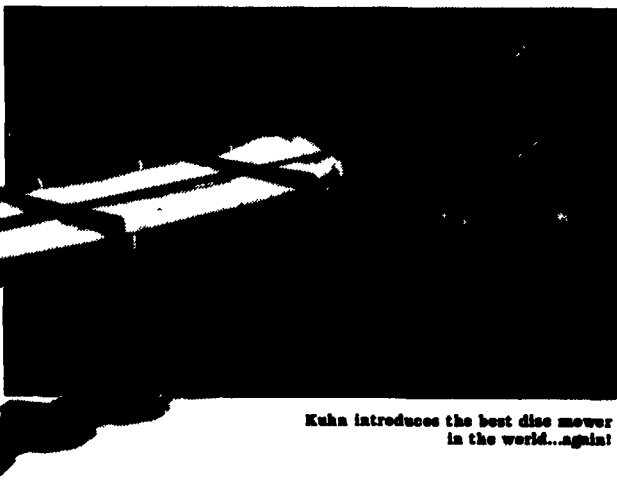
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