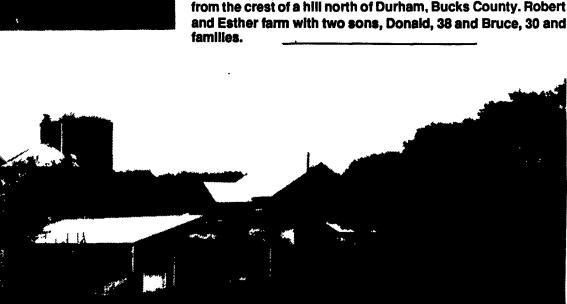


### Peaceful Acres

The David and Rhoda King family operate the 600-acre Peaceful Acres Dairy of Distinction Farm in Cochranville, Chester County. "Diversification and the Lord" helped them through a lot of hard times, according to Rhoda. The family manages about 52 milking and 50 young stock of grade Holsteins, milking from tiestall to pipeline. They graze the animals and don't use a TMR. The main farm has been in the family 46 years, according to Rhoda, and there are three other farms, maintained by three sons, Clair, 40, Marvin, 38, and Gerald, 29. Four other sons are James, 44, Kevin, 36, Earl Dwayne, 34, and Timothy, 32. One aspect of the farm's diversification is selling different sized bags of potatoes. David and Rhoda King have 12 grandchildren, and Rhoda said the "whole family just pulls together" to help with the farm.



Distinction

**Durham Crest Farm** 

of respect and responsibilities on the farm," she said. "It doesn't hurt to work on a farm." Lately, more development than ever is taking over farmland in the Riegelsville, Bucks

County area where they farm. But the family still manages a total of 300 acres (103 owned, the rest rented), including some cash crops. In all, they raise 20 acres of wheat, 225 acres of corn, 65 acres of alfalfa, and other crops. The Crouse family manages 70 milking and 70 young stock of registered and grade Holsteins. The DHIA rolling herd average is 22,449 pounds milk, 768f, and 728p, milking from tiestall to pipeline. A feed company creates a special TMR. The farm prefix comes

Esther Crouse said she and her husband Robert were "born and raised on the farm" and the Durham Crest Farm is in the fifth generation. Esther said she works with the farm family members today to develop "a lot of patience and to teach a lot



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