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Weekly NEW HOLLAND, PA FRI OCTOBER 30, 1998 CALVES CATTLE THIS WEEK 2600 1707 LAST WEEK 3058 1747 LAST YEAR 3464 1625 CATTLE: Slaughter steers closed the week 50 to 1.00 higher. Holstein steers fully steady. Slaughter heifers steady. Cows 1.00 to mostly 2.00 lower. Bulls 1.00-2.00 lower, with some 1850-2250 lbs fully 5.00 lower. Supply was made up of around 34

percent slaughter steers, 9 percent slaughter heifers, 35 percent slaughter cows, 5 percent bulls.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-4 1100-1450 lbs 62.75-65.75. Few Choice and Prime 2 1150-1350 lbs 65.75-67.50. Choice 2-3 few 4 1150-1450 lbs 61.00-64.50; 1450-1500 lbs 58.00-61.50. Select and low Choice 2-3 1050-1470 lbs 56.75-61.50; few 1500-1590 lbs 55.00-58.25. Select 1-3 1050-1450 lbs 52.75-58.75. HOLSTEIN STEERS: High Choice and

Calf Facility

Prime 2-3 1300-1600 lbs 53.85-54.35; 1600- 1775 lbs 46.50-51.75. Choice 2-3 1330-1600 lbs 50.75-53.75. Select 1-3 1070- 1730 lbs 42.00-49.00.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: High Choice and Prime 2-4 1230-1340 lbs 60.25-62.75. Choice 2-3 1060-1315 lbs 58,25-60.75. Select and low Choice 2-3 1150-1310 lbs 56.00-59.00.

SLAUGHTER COWS: PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESS-ING Breakers 75-80 pct lean over-1400 lbs 34.25-37.50 32.00-35.00 Boners 80-85 pct lean over-1200 lbs 32.00-37.00 29.00-32.50 Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 pct

MARKE OF COVER-ALL SHELTER SYSTEMS

lean over-1200 lbs 28.00-33.00 26.00-28.00 Lean 88-90 pct lean over-1000 lbs 27:00-32.00 23.75-27.00 Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 pct lean 750 -1000 lbs 25.00-30.00 20.00-25.00

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1 1285-1750 lbs 40.50-46.50, few 46.50-48.75, couple outstanding up to 53.75. Yield Grade 1-2 1840-2250 lbs 35.00-37.75. Yield Grade 2 1030-1900 lbs 34.50-41.00. Bullocks: Select and Choice 1-3 1150-1575 lbs 48.00-55.50.

CALVES: Vealors mostly steady. Slaughter calves firm to 5.00 higher. Demand was good for Holstein farm

calves. Bulls weak to 5.00 lower. Heifers fully steady

VEALERS: Good and Choice 170-260 lbs 72.00-90.00; 75-120 lbs 24.00-31.00. Standard and low Good 60-90 lbs 12.00-22.00; couple lots 60-65 lbs 10.00.

SLAUGHTER CALVES: Good and Choice 350-500 lbs 55.00-70.00. Standard 350-550 lbs 38.00-55.00.

RETURNED TO FARM: Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 80.00-100.00, few to 108.00; 80- 90 lbs 65.00-80.00. Plainer type bulls 80-115 lbs 55,00-75.00, few 40.00- 55.00. Holstein heifers 70-105 lbs 142.00-205.00, few 205.00-225.00.

September Milk **Production Up**

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) - Milk Pennsylvania production in during September 1998 totaled 876 million pounds, 1.5 percent above last year's production, according to the Pennsylvania Agricultural Statistics Service (PASS).

The number of milk cows in the state during the month averaged 635,000 head, down 4,000 from September 1997 and unchanged from August 1998.

Production per cow averaged 1,380 pounds in September, 50 pounds less than August but up 30 pounds from September 1997.

Milk production in the 20 states surveyed during September 1998 totaled 10.7 billion pounds, up .4 percent when compared to production in these same states during September 1997.

August revised production, at 11.2 billion pounds was down .5 percent from August 1397. The number of milk cows averaged 7.76 million head, up 5,000 head from a year earlier, while production per cow averaged 1,381 pounds, 4 pounds above September of last year.

During the July-September period, the 20 major states produced 85.8 percent of the nation's production.

If producers in the remaining 30 states not surveyed monthly followed the trend shown by the 20 reporting states, U.S. milk production for September would be 12.5 billion pounds, unchanged from September of last year.



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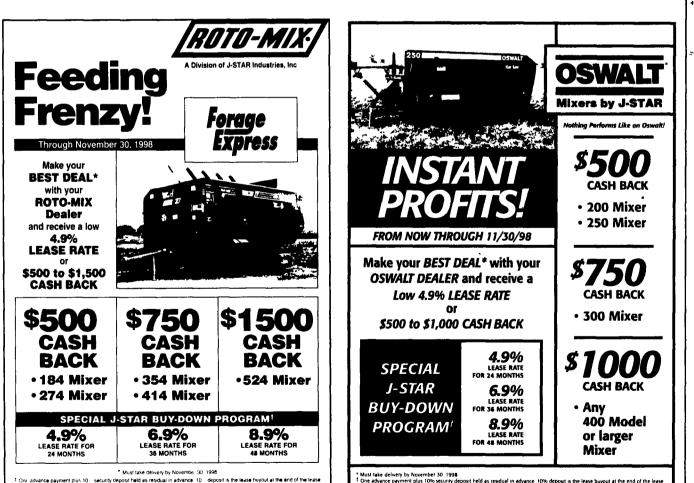
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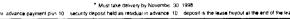


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