

# Many Cows on State Farms Are Not Paying Their Way

Many cows on North Carolina farms could be classified as dependents, even though their owners can't declare them as such for income tax purposes. They are dependents, says R. L. Wynn, dairy specialist for the N. C. Agricultural Extension Service, because they do not produce enough to pay for the feed they consume, the housing they require, and the hours of labor spent in taking care of them.

Many dairy herds would produce better if the poorest cows were

eliminated, Wynn said. A herd of 25 cows, for instance, might produce more milk if one poor producer was eliminated (cull) and her feed divided among the better producers. Then in addition to greater profits, the dairyman would have less work or more time to improve his general management.

"The only reliable way to find low producers that will pull down a herd's efficiency is to keep some kind of records," Wynn continued. "There is a definite correlation between record keeping and high production per cow."

North Carolina cows on the Dairy Herd Improvement Association (DHIA) Record-Keeping program last year, produced an average of approximately 9,000 pounds of milk. This is to be compared with a production of only about 5,000 pounds by the average North Carolina cow.

"Now is a good time to cull your herd," Wynn said, "while beef prices are good. County agricultural agents will be happy to give you information on how to get started on a good record-keeping system."

A poor working man received a letter, obviously delivered by mistake. The letter, intended for a newly married movie star, contained a threat to kidnap his wife unless a sizeable sum of money was forthcoming. The working man sat down and wrote an immediate reply, "Sir, I don't have much money, but I'm mighty interested in your proposition."

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## Free Wheeling

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BEWARE . . . It doesn't happen every day in the week but motorists like storekeepers and banks sometimes fall prey to armed gunmen. At best the victims lose their cars and cash. Others are savagely beaten and sometimes left dead.

The State Highway Patrol warns motorists they can easily be robbed unless they keep a few simple rules in mind. Alertness here not only can keep a driver from losing his money but maybe his life as well.

Troopers advise travelers to pace their driving approaching an intersection. If there's a traffic light there, adjust your speed to hit it about the time it turns green. This practice eliminates a stop which might otherwise produce an unwelcome stranger.

Glance often in your rear view mirror, not only for safety, but to decide if someone is following you too diligently. Reduce your speed and allow him to pass—if he will. Otherwise pull off at a service station or some well-lighted place and see what happens. If need be call officers.

After dark keep to well traveled thoroughfares. A little known short cut may be appealing as a time saver, but it could be dangerous. In unfamiliar areas, help may not be readily available if you need

assistance.

And to repeat what we had here a few weeks ago—never pick up hitch hikers!

In a traffic dispute you may get angry enough to bite 10-penny nails. But keep your temper in check. Such arguments, police say, often lead to assault and sometimes robbery.

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MUST HAVE . . . They call 'em "go carts," don't they? Those miniature race cars made up of welded pipe and powered by a lawn mower engine. I watched a bunch of them last Saturday, zipping around the parking lot of the Motor Vehicles Building. Speedy little rascals, too. Barely enough to be called a motor vehicle. Yet if they are driven on the road they gotta have a license tag—like with any normal sized vehicle. According to DMV officials, liability insurance covering the miniatures must be secured as well as a tag.

And, hey, youngsters, out on the road the driver must be licensed, too. Spoilsports? Nope, laws aren't made of rubber.

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SUDDEN THAWT . . . The driver who doesn't mind being passed will still be present when others are past.

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SNATCHES . . . Any day your car may be the target of an auto thief, who will most likely be a juvenile delinquent or an amateur. A skilled professional who really wants your car bad, can cope with locked doors and no ignition key. But, like officials of the Motor Vehicles Department's Auto Theft Bureau say, "Why make it a cinch for him?"

They recommend: Always lock doors and take ignition key before leaving your car. Even for a short time.

Try to avoid parking in dark or poorly lighted streets.

Don't leave packages, luggage or

other valuables on the seat or exposed where they be seen by passers-by.

It's not a very good trick either to hide keys somewhere in the car; thieves know where to look for them.

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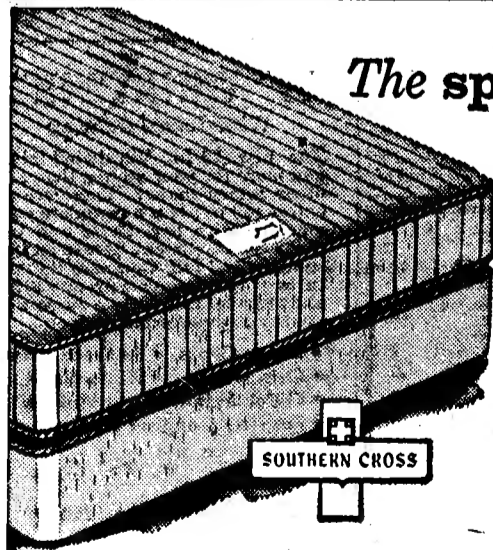
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