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MILK PRODUCTION: - Milk production per cow on October 1, as reported by crop correspondents averaged about 1 per cent lower than on that date last year and substantially below production on any previous October 1 since 1925. Practically the only States where production per cow was reported as heavier than last year are in the area from Virginia northward or in the few other sections, where fall pastures are materially better than they were last year. Preliminary reports indicate a very general tendency to feed less grain per cow than at this time last year, even in areas where pastures are much poorer. On the other hand the closer culling being practiced in the dairy sections and earlier weaning of calves in the corn belt have tended to maintain production per cow. Detailed reports for August 1 showed that at that time earlier weaning was responsible for about a 1 per cent increase in milk production. Crop correspondents reporting for their own herds on October 1 showed a daily average of nearly 12.0 pounds of milk per cow compared with 12.1 pounds last year. As the number of milk cows on farms, including some beef type cows being milked for the first time, is believed to be 2 or 3 percent above the number a year ago, total milk production on October 1 appears to have been about 2 per cent above production on the same date last year and the increase in milk and cream deliveries somewhat greater.

PASTURES:- Farm pastures improved materially during September except in the eastern and central Cotton Belt and in the far Southwest but they are still quite generally below average except in the area from Virginia northward. Pastures are still exceedingly poor in the Dakotas and in parts of the other Corn Belt States except Ohio and Nebraska and they average quite poor in the eastern half of the Cotton Belt and in most of the West. For the country as a whole the average condition on October 1, as reported by crop correspondents, was 65.6 percent of "normal" compared with 67.1 last year and an average of 74.0 during the previous 10 years.

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MILK PRODUCED PER MILK COW IN HERDS KEPT BY CROP REPORTERS ^{1/}				
S T A T E	:October 1 (Avg.) : : 1925-30 :	October 1 : 1931 :	October 1 : 1932 :	October 1 : 1933 :
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
Me.	13.3	12.5	14.2	13.5
N. H.	14.2	13.6	14.9	13.7
Vt.	12.6	13.2	13.5	13.8
Mass.	17.6	18.6	17.8	17.1
R. I.	19.2	19.3	18.9	20.1
Conn.	16.7	15.2	17.2	17.6
N. Y.	15.4	16.1	15.6	15.9
N. J.	18.3	17.9	18.0	17.4
Pa.	15.6	15.0	14.9	15.4
<u>N. ATL.</u>	<u>15.42</u>	<u>15.42</u>	<u>15.42</u>	<u>15.68</u>
Ohio	14.8	14.4	14.3	14.0
Ind.	14.0	13.5	13.9	12.7
Ill.	12.6	12.0	12.5	12.7
Mich.	15.4	15.3	16.1	14.0
Wis.	14.2	13.4	13.1	12.9
<u>E. N. CENT.</u>	<u>14.20</u>	<u>13.78</u>	<u>13.70</u>	<u>13.14</u>
Minn.	12.4	11.6	11.4	11.4
Iowa	11.9	11.8	12.7	12.3
Mo.	10.7	10.0	9.7	9.4
N. Dak.	11.1	11.0	10.2	9.2
S. Dak.	9.9	9.3	9.5	9.3
Nebr.	10.9	11.2	11.1	12.1
Kans.	11.0	11.7	11.5	12.3
<u>W. N. CENT.</u>	<u>11.33</u>	<u>11.07</u>	<u>11.06</u>	<u>11.02</u>
Del.	12.8	14.3	11.9	12.6
Md.	15.2	14.1	13.9	14.5
Va.	12.4	11.8	10.6	10.9
W. Va.	13.0	11.7	11.4	12.4
N. C.	11.9	11.7	10.7	10.3
S. C.	9.6	9.6	9.8	10.0
Ga.	9.0	8.2	8.6	8.0
Fla.	6.9	8.0	6.7	5.6
<u>S. ATL.</u>	<u>11.59</u>	<u>10.71</u>	<u>10.19</u>	<u>10.44</u>
Ky.	12.2	11.4	11.5	11.4
Tenn.	10.7	10.0	9.0	9.6
Ala.	8.1	7.1	8.1	7.0
Miss.	7.8	7.2	6.6	6.8
Ark.	9.4	8.5	8.2	7.6
La.	6.2	6.1	6.5	6.1
Okla.	9.9	9.2	9.1	8.9
Texas	9.2	8.9	8.6	8.1
<u>S. CENT.</u>	<u>9.49</u>	<u>8.99</u>	<u>8.73</u>	<u>8.61</u>
Mont.	12.2	11.9	11.8	12.1
Idaho	16.3	15.7	17.8	15.0
Wyo.	12.4	12.3	10.7	11.5
Colo.	12.1	11.7	11.3	11.4
N. Mex.	8.8	7.8	9.7	10.0
Ariz.	14.8	13.3	12.0	11.8
Utah	14.8	14.4	15.4	14.1
Nev.	13.8	15.9	12.3	13.8
Wash.	16.5	17.5	16.1	15.3
Oreg.	13.8	14.0	14.7	13.5
Calif.	16.4	16.1	16.6	16.4
<u>WEST.</u>	<u>13.96</u>	<u>14.04</u>	<u>13.57</u>	<u>13.36</u>
<u>U. S.</u>	<u>12.61</u>	<u>12.27</u>	<u>12.12</u>	<u>11.98</u>

^{1/} These are not estimates but averages obtained by dividing reported daily production of herds kept by reporters by number of milk cows in these herds.