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MILK PRODUCTION: - The production of milk continues to increase in comparison with last year, the substantial decreases from Ohio eastward and in portions of the Pacific Northwest being more than offset by a rather general increase in other States. Reports from crop correspondents show an average of 12.74 pounds of milk per milk cow in their herds on September 1 compared with the very low record of 12.59 pounds last year, an increase of 1 percent. Reports from commercial dairy correspondents have been showing a somewhat larger increase with more grain being fed per head than at the same time last year, fewer calves sucking and a slight decrease in the percentage of cows dry. While the heavier production per cow on hand is partially due to closer culling out of poor cows and dry cows during recent months, the number of milk cows on hand appears to be still about 2 percent above the number a year ago and total milk production on September 1 was probably 3 or 4 percent heavier than on September 1 last year. The increase in commercial deliveries in butter producing areas has been even greater in comparison with last year because the higher price that farmers have been receiving for milk and cream has decreased the amounts retained on farms.

PASTURES: - Pastures were revived by August rains in States along the Atlantic Coast and also in Oklahoma and in large portions of surrounding States but the continued dry weather from Central Ohio to Northwestern North Dakota dried up pastures seriously in that area. On September 1 the average condition of pastures in the United States was 59.5 compared with 67.6 last year, 63.0 in 1931, the record low of 47.7 in 1930, and an average of 74.6 during the previous ten years, 1921-1930. With the exception of 1930 the September average is the lowest for that date in the 19 year record.

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MILK PRODUCED PER MILK COW IN HERDS KEPT BY CROP REPORTERS 1/

S T A T E	September 1 (Avg.):	September 1	September 1	September 1
	1925-30	1931	1932	1933
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
Me.	14.6	12.8	13.6	12.6
N. H.	13.6	12.8	15.3	13.3
Vt.	12.0	11.9	13.5	12.5
Mass.	17.1	17.4	16.9	16.9
R. I.	18.2	18.5	20.0	17.3
Conn.	16.6	17.1	17.2	17.0
N. Y.	15.6	15.8	16.0	15.2
N. J.	18.8	20.6	17.1	17.5
Pa.	16.0	16.1	15.2	15.2
N. ATL.	15.57	15.60	15.56	15.06
Ohio	15.8	15.7	14.7	14.3
Ind.	15.1	14.9	14.2	14.4
Ill.	14.0	13.1	13.4	14.0
Mich.	16.5	15.5	15.4	15.0
Wis.	15.8	13.2	13.5	14.3
E. N. CENT.	15.51	14.19	14.12	14.32
Minn.	13.2	12.2	11.6	12.0
Iowa	13.1	12.5	12.6	12.9
Mo.	11.1	11.0	10.8	10.3
N. Dak.	12.7	13.2	11.0	11.1
S. Dak.	11.5	10.9	8.2	10.7
Nebr.	12.5	12.9	13.0	13.1
Kans.	12.5	12.8	12.3	12.4
W. N. CENT.	12.53	12.22	11.46	11.82
Del.	13.8	15.0	12.6	13.3
Md.	15.3	14.4	14.1	15.3
Va.	13.4	13.0	11.3	12.3
W. Va.	14.1	13.7	12.8	12.5
N. C.	12.8	12.7	12.1	11.3
S. C.	10.6	10.8	9.7	10.3
Ga.	9.9	9.4	9.0	8.6
Fla.	6.7	7.8	5.8	6.2
S. ATL.	12.25	11.67	10.56	10.99
Ky.	13.5	13.1	12.0	13.1
Tenn.	11.8	11.2	10.9	10.8
Ala.	8.2	8.4	7.5	7.9
Miss.	8.2	8.7	7.8	7.0
Ark.	9.3	9.7	8.8	8.9
La.	6.9	6.3	6.7	8.2
Okla.	10.8	10.3	10.5	10.2
Tex.	9.4	9.2	9.5	8.3
S. CENT.	9.86	10.01	9.44	9.56
Mont.	13.7	13.0	12.6	12.7
Idaho	16.0	16.9	16.5	17.5
Wyo.	13.2	14.3	11.3	13.4
Colo.	13.4	13.6	13.3	13.2
N. Mex.	10.8	12.2	10.2	10.5
Ariz.	14.8	15.3	13.5	14.6
Utah	16.3	17.8	15.8	15.3
Nev.	13.9	13.7	12.0	13.8
Wash.	17.4	17.7	17.3	16.4
Oreg.	14.8	15.1	15.1	14.8
Calif.	15.9	18.4	17.9	18.2
WEST.	14.74	15.70	14.62	14.85
U. S.	13.47	13.10	12.59	12.74

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.