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ABSTRACT

This study was conducted at Magnolia Dairy
Farm at Amuyong Ranch, Alfonso, Cavite. Its
aim is to determine and to gather information
about the management practices employed in the
farm as reference to those who like to engage
in the business.

At the time of the study the farm has 546
milking and 139 dry cows as well as four bulls
mostly Holstein Friesian and Jersey cows.

The herd is divided into two main depart-
ments: the Grow ing Stock Department, and the
Milking Department.

Since the calf is the nucleus of the dairy
enterprise care and attention must be given to
them. They were fed with milk replacer fortified
with vita mins, minerals, and antibiotics.

The herd was divided into Yearling and
Breeding heifers, the yearlings aging from 13-
18 months and the breeding 18₂24 months.

It was observed that lactating cows get
the first priority when it came to proper care
and feeding of good quality soilage.

The housing was preferrably a clean, dry pen that was free from drafts. A cold, open building is accommodated in which some portions were left open for natural ventilation.

Milking was done in a pipe-line tandem type milking shed with two milking machine, with at least sixteen cows milked at the time of milking, with an average of six minutes per cow.

The average production was 3 U.S. gallons of milk per cow per day and the lowest being 2.72 gallons the highest was 3.3 gallons.

During its twelve years of operation Magnolia Farm has shown that under the good nutrition, breeding and management, the temperate dairy cattle produced an acceptable yield of high quality milk in the Philippines.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Importance of the study

Management of dairy cattle, whether it be

in the tropical or temperate climate, is never

a stable matter. It is a dynamic branch of

knowledge and like all other dynamic branches