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Cattle breeding operations at the Eisenhower farm in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

DESCRIPTION: Rubbing boards installed in paddocks in the show barn; water lines; overall goal of the cattle breeding operation; Court Manor Plantation cattle sale; 1958 cattle sale; terms of cattle sales agreements; bull sold to ranch in Venezuela; description of the office layout and furnishings; reporter that tried to gain access to the farm files during the White House years; description of the washroom; artificial insemination; collecting and storing semen; cow breeding and calving; average feed requirements; veterinarians; raising and selecting calves from birth; feed preparation; employee work schedule; duties of the herdman; fertilizing the fields; relationship between Admiral Strauss and Brandy Rock Farm and DDE; DDE's cattle partners; visitors that DDE brought up to show the cattle; determining the grade of cattle.

[Eisenhower National Historic Site, interview by Kathleen Georg, Carol Hegeman, and Barry Bohnet, August 16, 1983]