Sugar Beet Acreage Limits Are Lifted

There will be no acreage restrictions on sugar beets for the 1967 crop, the United States Department of Agriculture has announced.

In its pronouncement, USDA said a larger crop of beets is needed this year to enable the beet sugar industry to supply its allotted share of the United States market.

The 1965 and 1966 sugar beet crops were covered by acreage limitations.

Acreage allotments on sugar cane, however, will be continued in 1967 because there is no shortage of domestically produced cane sugar.

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The Dog That Feeds The Hand That Bites It

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The number of hot dogs devoured in the school program during the 1965-1966 school year would weigh 85 times more than the Statue of Liberty — and she tips the scales at 850 tons.

“Students usually choose to ignore the nutrition aspect when it comes to satisfying hunger, snacking only on that which is tasty or filling or handy,” says an official of the National Live Stock and Meat Board. “The hot dog is in all three, and in addition contains body-building protein, plus many vitamins and minerals.”