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Seasonal use of shippon by cattle.

In the spring the cows would be calving, mainly in the spring, sometimes some of them a bit later on, they'd spread it a bit, and they'd come in here every day to be milked, and their calves would be kept in here so that the cows came in to be milked.

So when would the cows have come in for their permanent stay, what time of the year?

Ah yes, they would have come in in November probably and they wouldn't be turned out until - May the 12th was usually the turn out date.