

Milk Price on Farm in May Set at \$3.55

NEW YORK — Dr C. J. Blanford, Market Administrator of the New York metropolitan milk marketing area, announced today that a uniform price of \$3.55 per hundredweight (46.5 quarts) would be paid for milk delivered in May to 395 plants in the New York milkshed. The uniform price in April was also \$3.55 per hundredweight; in May, 1955, it was \$3.44 per hundredweight.

The producer butterfat differential for the month was announced at six cents for each tenth of a lb of fat above or below the 3.5 per cent standard.

Wheat Harvest in Kansas Underway

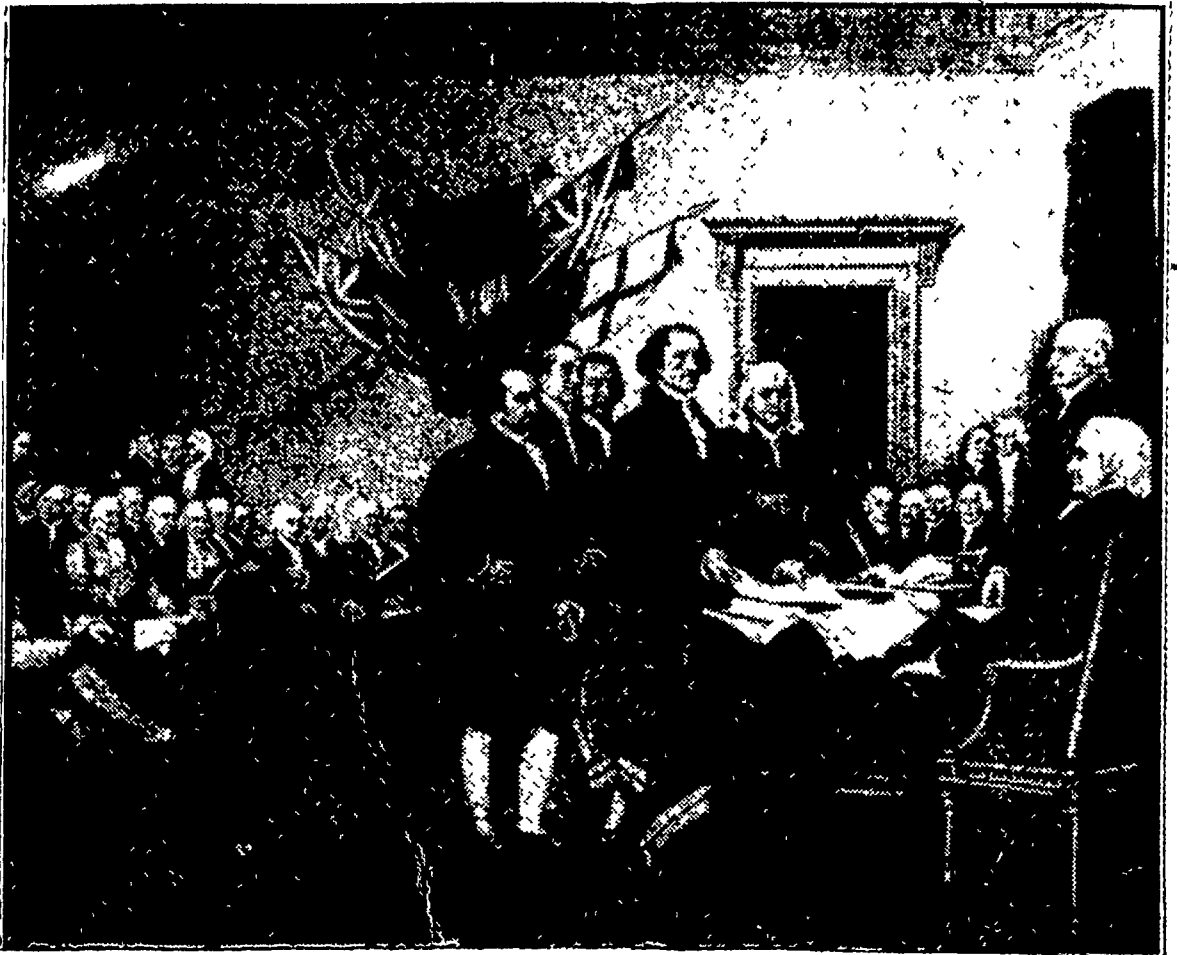
Hot, dry weather caused harvest of Kansas wheat to begin two weeks early, reports from the Sunflower State advise. Much of the crop was seared by hot weather, battered by winds.

Harvesting is now in full swing throughout parts of Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Missouri, New Mexico, Nebraska and Colorado. Colorado expects the smallest winter wheat crop in 16 years, but Kansas anticipates 140 million bu, compared to 128 million last year.

Both the production of milk and the consumption of fluid milk in the marketing area — New York City and Nassau, Suffolk, Westchester Counties — fell below the comparable figures of last year, Dr. Blanford reported.

Receipts from dairymen totaled 868,907,999 pounds, the Administrator said. This was a decrease of 48,149,370 pounds, or 5.25 per cent, from last year's production of 917,057,369 pounds. That was a record high for any single month in the history of the orders. The number of producers also dropped. There were 48,208 producers in the New York pool this year, 2,009 fewer than the 50,217 producers who participated in last year's pool. The average production per day per dairy dropped eight pounds from last year's average of 589 pounds to 581 pounds.

Fluid milk consumption in the marketing area was only 0.14 per cent less than last year. Total consumption accounted for 279,-



The Fourth of July means a day off from work, and a day spent at the shore or on a tennis court or golf course, a day with family and friends at a picnic, or a day just swinging lazily in a hammock with a glass of lemonade in hand. But the men who, 180 years ago, adopted our Declaration of Independence, worked long and hard for something we now take

for granted. That was our independence — our freedom — which, among other things, lets us enjoy our leisure time in any manner we wish. This Independence Day, remember that our freedom must be nurtured, protected, exercised. Sometimes, it's a long, hard job. Always, it's everybody's job.

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864,035 pounds, 400,069 pounds fewer than the 280,264,104 pounds last year.

The farm value of the May milk output was \$31,481,819.61, Dr. Blanford reported. In 1955, the farm value was \$32,001,093.72.

The uniform price of \$3.55 per hundredweight will be paid for milk testing 3.5 per cent butterfat and received at plants 201-210 miles from New York City.

Milk is being used as a spray for tomato plants to overcome a virus disease known as tomato mosaic. No one has decided just how and why spraying with milk works to help knock out the virus. Some believe that the alkaline reaction robs the mosaic of some essential acid food.

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A heavy rain storm accompanied by tornado-like winds hit Lancaster city and county July 1, 1931. At Lancaster 18 houses were unroofed on Franklin Street. The contents of several of the dwellings were damaged by falling debris and rain. No one was reported hurt. Considerable property damage also was reported at Manheim, where a cloud-burst turned the streets into muddy creeks. Heavy rain fell in the southern end of the county but no damage was reported.

Q. A man purchases a property while he is single. Later, he gets married and puts said property in both names. Several years later, he gets divorced. Is the ex-wife still entitled to half ownership in the property?
G. M.

A. The husband made a gift to his wife of an undivided one-half interest in the property. This gift is not revoked by the divorce. Although he can now enforce a division of the property, which he could not do while they were married, the husband cannot regain the wife's one-half interest without paying her the fair market price of same, or whatever less she will agree to take.

Q. The day before Thanksgiving I slipped and fell, breaking my wrist, at a counter in a chain store. The manager took my name and address and said an insurance man would be around and I should go to a doctor. The doctor said he would see that I got my expenses paid. However, so far

nobody has come to see me. When I went to the doctor for the third time last Friday, he said he did not think the insurance company would pay anything since it happened in daytime. Could you tell me if this is true?
E. F.

A. The time of day that your accident happened should make no material difference in your claim. The issues are whether the store or its employees were guilty of any negligence which caused your injury, and whether you may have been contributorily negligent. Contact the store manager about your claim, and if you hear nothing from him or the store's insurance company, it is suggested you consult an attorney who would advise you how to proceed further.

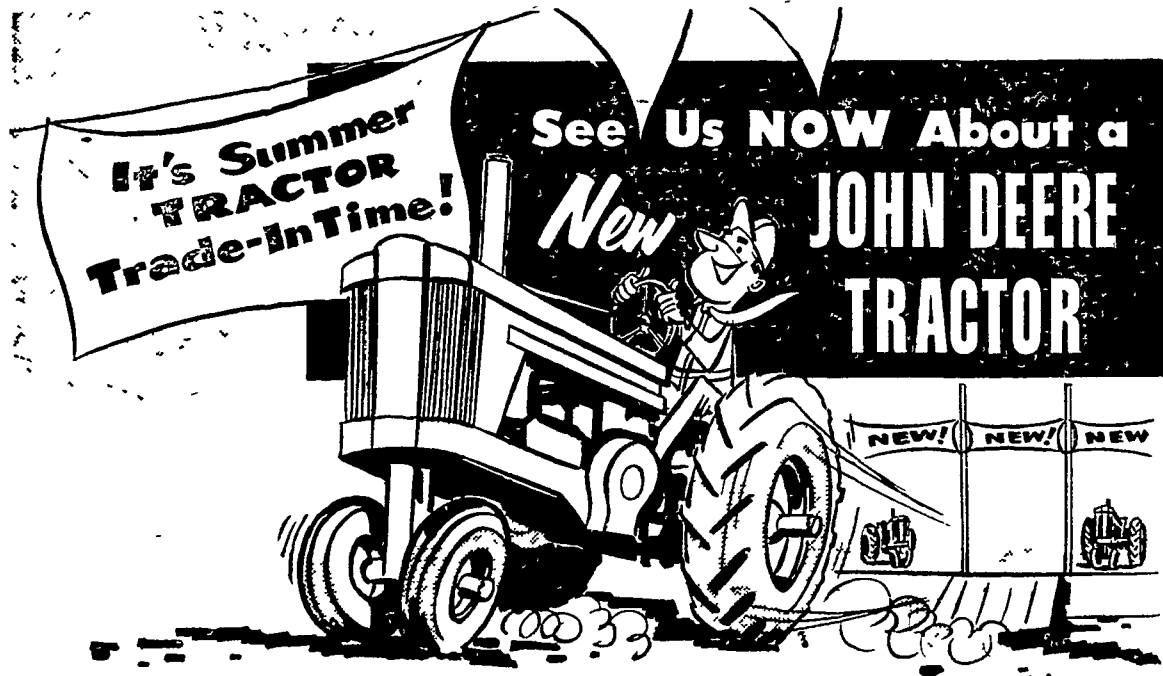
Q. My wife left me in October, 1954. She took practically all the furniture and moved to an apartment in another town. She has been working since she left me and never claimed any support from me. She had a baby three weeks ago and is not working at the present. I do not claim the baby is not mine. Do I have to support her and the baby or just the baby alone?
G. S.

A. You are presumed to be the father of your wife's child because you are still legally married. You are responsible for the support of your wife and child unless you can convince the court that your wife's desertion gives you valid ground for divorce, which would thus be a good defense to her claim for support. Even if you were successful with this defense you would nevertheless be responsible for the support of the child.

MIDWEST WEATHER

Hot days and night showers — good corn growing weather — gave midwestern crops a boost last week. Iowa pastures were reported very dry, furnishing little forage. Illinois grains and grasses were slow, with half of the crop reports showing deficient soil moisture.

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