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decided to work bottle milk in Washington either. These along with other changes were given as reasons for calling the hearing.

Hand said a merger of the three Federal Order would make it easier to serve the needs of the markets. "We now have the

problem that you must bring milk to be sold as Class I to a plant in your own Order before it can be moved into a bottling plant in another Order. This extra movement costs more," Hand said.

At present, Class I utilization is highest in the Washington order and lowest in the Baltimore order. In the new proposal Inter-State would hope to average the Order at Philadelphia levels.

The co-operative is now recommending a new seasonal base plan. In this plan, Hand said the big difference would be that farmers would be paid on a base plan all year but each year you would make a new base. The plan also calls for July to be eliminated from the base making period making it run from August to December.

"The elimination of July from the base making period," Hand said in answer from a question from a farm member, "was done because July is the lowest month for production. Therefore the farmers don't like it. And it is the lowest month for Class I sales so the dealers don't want it."

Since starting on the present base plan two years ago Hand said there has been a decided shift from Spring to Fall milk.

But under the market wide pool now in effect, Hand repeated a drop from 80% Class I utilization four years ago to 64.2% in June of this year. "This is what happened under a market-wide pool," he said.

The proposed 12 month base plan has the following features:

1 The base making months are August through December.

2 The base made during August through December will be used for payment purposes dur-

ing the 12-month period of February through January.

3 Under this program producers will be paid on a base 12-months of a year.

4 Transfers of bases are limited to those producers who actually stopped producing milk or transferred their entire operations over to another person who continues producing from the same farm and herd.

5 New producers who do not obtain a base by transfer will be given 50 percent of their production as base milk until they deliver four full months during a base making period at which time they will immediately receive a base.

6 Any New York New Jersey (Order 2) producers who transfer to pool plants prior to October 1 and who deliver during October, November and December will have their production during August and September used in calculating the base.

7 The minimum number of days used in calculating a base during the base period will be 120. Producers who deliver less than 120 days will have their base diminished thereby.

8 Any producer who wishes can relinquish his base to the Market Administrator and he

will be paid on the same basis as a new producer that is one-half of his production as base milk and one-half as excess milk. A producer who relinquishes his base cannot obtain that base and will only be given a new base after earning such a base during the base making period.

9 New plants coming in the pool will not be given preferential treatment as in the present base plan. The producers will be treated the same as new producers.

10 The base making period under the new program will start August 1, 1970 with payments on the 12-month base starting February 1, 1971. Until February 1, 1971, the present base program of Orders 4 and 16 will continue, using March-June as the base paying months.

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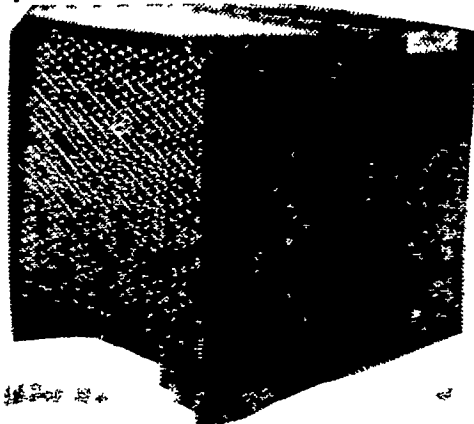
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KOOKIE KOOKS
By Ellyce Jean Engle

The older members of the Penn Manor Kookie Kooks met Wednesday, July 16, at the home of Betty Jane Bailey, Millersville route #1. They made Italian spaghetti with meat sauce, fruit salad and lemonade.

In a previous meeting held July 2 at the Penn Manor Junior High School the older girls made yeast rolls and cocoa while the younger members made cinnamon toast and cocoa.

Although there will be no more meetings for them the younger members are encouraged to complete their projects at home and to participate in round-up which will be planned later.

The next meeting for the older girls will be held Wednesday, July 30, at Betty Jane Bailey's home.

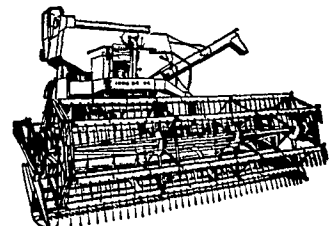
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