

Rural Mail Delivery Expands Patrons

Pennsylvania's U. S. Senator Hugh Scott announced this week a major new postal service program that will expand home deliveries to an additional 68,058 Pennsylvania families — principally in small communities — for the first time.

Under the program Pennsylvanians living more than a

quarter mile, but less than half a mile from rural post offices that do not have city delivery are now eligible to receive the delivery at home. Previously, they have been compelled to go to the post office for their mail.

Since they live less than half a mile away from a post office, they have not been eligible to receive rural delivery service, Scott, the Senate Republican Leader, explained. And because they live near a post office that does not have city delivery they have missed out there too.

Senator Scott said he has been advised that the Postmaster General is issuing instructions in the Postal Bulletin Thursday making the service available to the 12 million families across the nation living in the eligible areas — 4 million individuals.

The only requirement to obtain the service is that it must be requested of the postmaster, and a majority of those living in the area must desire the service.

The expansion will be achieved by such steps as extending shorter rural routes and adding delivery stops to some rural routes. In other instances, "star" or contract routes may be used to provide the service; in some locations it may be necessary to establish new rural routes, Scott said.

"This is one of the most significant advances in service in many years," Scott commented, "I am particularly pleased that the order will benefit communities in our Commonwealth."

The following Lancaster County areas will be made eligible for this service expansion under the order: Adamstown, Bainbridge, Bart, Bausman, Bird In Hand, Blue Ball, Bowmansville, Brownstown, Churchtown, Conestoga, Drumore, East Earl, Elm, Gap, Goodville, Gordonville, Holtwood, Hopeland, Intercourse, Kinzers, Kirkwood, Lampeter, Maytown, Mountville, Narvon, Neffsville, New Providence, Paradise, Peach Bottom, Pequea, Reams-

Pa. Milk Production Continues Climb

Milk production on Pennsylvania farms during January totaled 572 million pounds or 2.9 percent above January 1969. Production per cow was up slightly from December.

An average of 800 pounds per cow was produced during the month. This compares with 795 pounds in December, 770 pounds during January last year and 745 pounds in January 1968. The number of milk cows is estimated at 715,000.

Concentrates fed per cow averaged 137 pounds down 1 pound from December and 1 pound above January 1969.

town, Refton, Reinholds, Rheems, Rohrerstown, Ronks, Schoeneck, Silver Spring, Smoketown, Soudersburg, Stevens, Talmage, Terre Hill, Washington Boio, West Willow, Willow Street and Witmer.

Pennsylvania's milk cows produced 6,966 million pounds in 1969, 1.4 percent more than the revised estimate of 6,870 million pounds produced in 1968. The annual average number of milk cows on farms in 1969 was 718,000 down 12 percent from the 727,000 average number in 1968. Output per cow at 9,702 pounds in 1969 was up 2.7 percent from 9,450 pounds in 1968.

U.S. January Milk Production About The Same As A Year Earlier

U.S. milk production in January is estimated at 9,412 million pounds compared with 9,411 million pounds a year earlier. Production increased 3 percent from December 1969 to January 1970, the same gain as a year earlier. Milk production was above a year earlier in most of the North and South Atlantic States, but down in most States of the North Central Region. In the South Central and West, production was mostly unchanged or higher. January output per cow provided 148 pounds of milk per person daily for all uses compared with 145 pounds a month earlier and 150 pounds a year earlier.

The Nation's milk cows produced 116.2 billion pounds of milk in 1969, 0.9 percent less than the revised estimate of 117.2 billion pounds produced in 1968 and the smallest U.S. production since 1952. The annual average number of milk cows on farms in 1969 was a record low 12,689,000, down 3 percent from the previous record low of 13,038,000 in 1968. Output per cow reached a record-high rate of 9,158 pounds in 1969, up 2 percent from the previous record of 8,992 pounds in 1968. The revised estimates for 1968 and 1969 are based on annual review of more complete production and utilization data.

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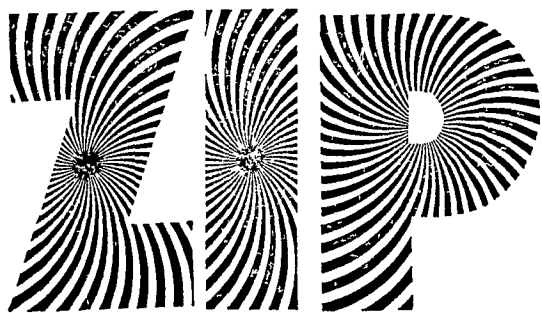
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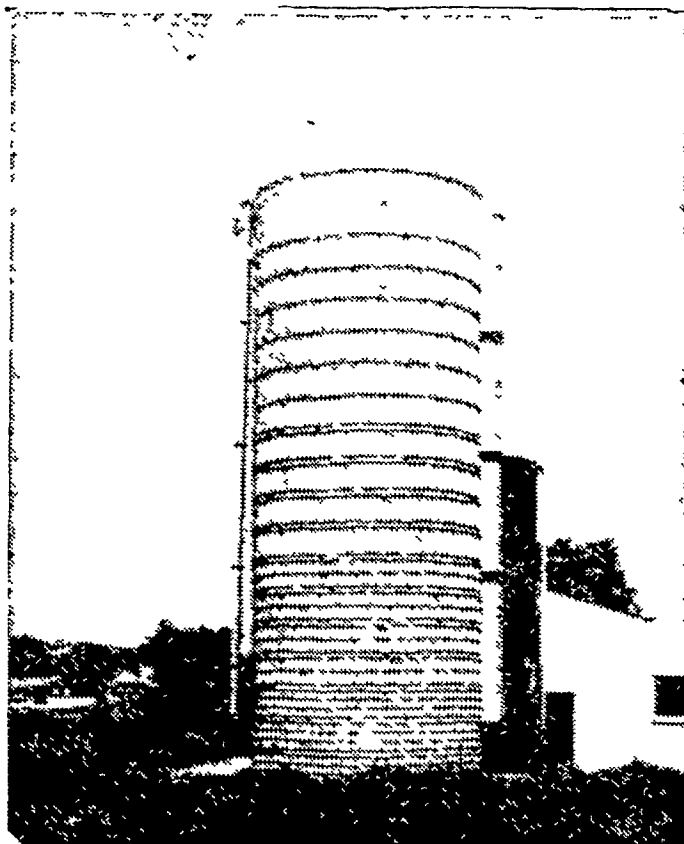
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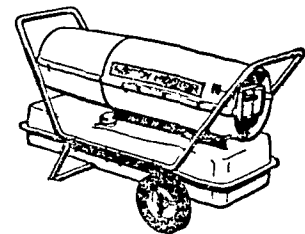
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