

# Eastern Statement on '71 Dairying Warns of Cost Squeeze

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harmful effects of the ingredients and continual consumption of the pre-tender foods and beverages.

Contrary to many unwarranted beliefs that milk fats and animal fats cause coronary heart disease in humans, here are some undisputed facts:

1. The United Kingdom consumes four times as much butter per capita as does the United States, yet has 11 per cent less

mortality from coronary heart disease.

2. New Zealand consumes eight times as much butter per capita as does the United States and has 25 per cent less mortality from coronary heart disease.

3. During the last 30 years, the American people have reduced their per capita consumption of butter by 50 per cent.

In November of this year, milk handlers in the New York-New Jersey Order No. 2 market claimed a transportation credit

on 257,732,763 pounds of bulk tank milk used for manufacturing purposes. This credit which became effective on November 1 was a direct result of the Class II decision handed down by the United States Department of Agriculture, and was applicable to 42.2 per cent of bulk tank deliveries and reduced the uniform price by about 3.4 cents. If F.O.B. farm point pricing had been in effect in all Federal Order Markets in the northeast, as provided in the New York-New Jersey Order, the above drop in uniform price would not have occurred.

We can also look forward to the closing of more can decks because of this Class II decision.

Eastern Milk Producers has urged and will continue to urge amending the orders adjoining the New York-New Jersey Order to provide farm zoning and pricing of bulk milk in an effort to obtain price alignment between markets.

The USDA also denied the proposal for a national Class I Price Formula. No further action has been taken at this writing by the United States Secretary of Agriculture on this formula.

Eastern Milk Producers Cooperative Association, Inc., testified for and continues to support the need for an Economic Formula for adjusting Class I prices, but opposed the national formula proposed by the National Milk Producers Federation.

Eastern's proposal called for a much simpler formula designed to take into consideration the local costs of milk production for dairy farmers in the Northeast.

Without this factor, it is quite evident that milk producers in the Northeast will be unable to

meet the inflationary prices of needed goods and services and compete favorably with the rest of the economy. The Department of Agriculture has not ruled on Eastern's proposition. Dairymen in this part of the country will again be urged to continue to have deductions made from their monthly milk check to take care of milk advertising. Now there is a strong effort afoot to make such deductions mandatory.

## Book Cows In Report

An area dairyman has two cows listed in an official production testing report released by the Holstein-Friesian Association of America. Included with the pounds of milk and butterfat are the amounts of solids-not-fat produced by each Registered Holstein since last calving.

The two animals are from the herd tested for Roy H. and Ruth H. Book, Ronks.

Roaring Maples Ivanhoe Bobby 5099085, a nine-year-old Registered Holstein, has credits of 18,720 pounds of milk, 840 pounds of butterfat and 1,610 pounds solids-not-fat in 375 days; Roaring Maples Ivanhoe Betty 5782892, a six-year-old, had 22,770 pounds of milk, 786 pounds of butterfat and 1,866 pounds solids-not-fat in 305 days.

Production sampling and testing procedures were supervised by Pennsylvania State University in cooperation with the Holstein breed improvement programs

Regrettably, this all means a lower net income for dairy farmers in the Northeast and throughout much of the United States.

Eastern Milk Producers estimates that the average monthly uniform price in 1971 for the New York-New Jersey Market will show only a plus \$05 per hundred pounds of milk; Mass.-R.I.-New Hampshire Market only a plus \$07; and the Middle Atlantic Market only a plus \$02 per hundred pounds of milk.

Stacking this increase against the total inflationary increased cost of production, the need to stay even presents quite a challenge.

Dairy farmers—beware! Do not be pushed into over-indebtedness, a situation from which you may never recover.

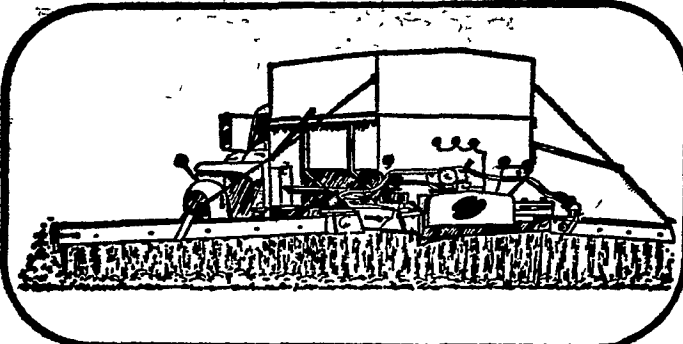
## SOLANCO 4-H SOIL, WATER CLUB TO ORGANIZE

The Southern Lancaster County 4-H Soil and Water Conservation Club is now being organized, with the first meeting to be held at 8 p.m. Monday, Feb. 8, at the home of Vincent Hoover, New Providence.

Sponsoring the club is the County Extension Service as a 4-H project in cooperation with the County Soil Conservation Service.

Boys and girls between the ages of nine and 19 may take part in the program and can become eligible for awards for outstanding achievement at the completion of the course.

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(from Chemical & Engineering News, Dec. 21, 1970)

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