

## Pa. Price Index Is Up 16 Points

The index of prices received by Pennsylvania Farmers increased 16 points during the month ended January 15, to 338 percent of its 1910-14 average. All farm products contributed to the net increase except dairy products. Milk, at \$7.20 per cwt., was down 5c from a month earlier, but up 45c from a year ago. Eggs at 50c per dozen were up 4c over a month ago and up 20c from a year ago.

### Farm Building Meet Planned

Building dairy barns is a complicated task, and mistakes can be costly. Farmers who'd like to learn more about handling construction problems are invited to a meeting on construction details and materials to be conducted by Gerald Bodman, agricultural engineer from Penn State.

Bodman has much practical experience in the construction of agricultural buildings, and is also a qualified engineer. Farmers attending the meeting will learn about the many alternatives to be considered when planning farm construction. They'll also be given a check list of things that should be considered before building contracts are signed and construction begun.

The meeting will be held at the Farm and Home Center on Monday, February 19, starting at 8:00 p.m.

Similar figures for other commodities were: Broilers (lb.) 19c, 3c and 4c; Steers, heifers (cwt.) - \$37.80, \$2.30, \$5.00; Hogs (cwt.) - \$32.40, \$1.30, \$8.70; Corn (bu.) - \$1.73, 7c, 41c; Wheat (bu.) - \$2.08, 23c, 64c; Oats (bu.) - \$1.09, 9c, 27c.

Across the U.S., the Index of Prices Received by Farmers increased 7 points (5 percent) to 144 percent of the January-December 1967 average during the month ended January 15, 1973. This was the same percentage increase shown a month earlier. Contributing most to the increase since mid-December were cattle, eggs, hogs, broilers, tomatoes, potatoes, and calves. Lower prices for cotton, dairy products, and corn were partially offsetting. The index was 21 percent above January 15, 1972.

The index of Prices Paid by Farmers for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates for January 15 was 134, up 2 percent from mid-December. Sharply higher prices for feed and feeder livestock were the largest contributors to the increase. Farm production and family living indexes rose. Taxes for farm real estate and interest on farm mortgage indebtedness also were higher. The index was 9 percent above a year earlier.

## Stock Yards Eyed For Cattle Futures Delivery

The Lancaster Stock Yards are being considered as a possible delivery point for cattle being traded on the futures market.

William G. McCoy, president of the Lancaster Livestock Exchange, and a vice president of the McCoy Cattle Co. said that if Lancaster could be designated as a delivery point for cattle futures it would, "add impetus to the trading of live beef cattle in this area."

In effect, such a designation would mean that speculators in beef cattle futures, could have their contracts filled in Lancaster as well as the western cattle markets.

McCoy said the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, which handles the futures, considers a

### Sorting Clothes For Laundering

When laundering, Mrs. Ruth Ann Wilson, Extension clothing specialist at The Pennsylvania State University, suggests you sort clothes to separate items that could in some way damage other garments in the wash. Some points to consider when sorting clothes are: color, type of fabric, garment construction, amount and kind of soil and size of item.

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If your organization didn't make our farm calendar this week, it's not because we don't like you or your organization.

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