



Carnation Genetics paid a whopping \$6000 for this 17-month open heifer last month at the National Holstein Convention In-

vitational Sale in Mulaga Hill, N.J. The man who sold her was M. Robert Young, a Lancaster businessman who has a part-time heifer operation.

Area Heifer Goes for \$6000 at National Sale

What was reportedly the highest-priced open heifer sold at last month's National Holstein Convention invitational sale came from the herd of Lancaster businessmen M. Robert Young. The 17-month-old animal went to Carnation Genetics in Washington state, where she'll become one of the cows in their ova transfer work.

In ova transfer operations, fertilized eggs are removed from genetically superior cows and placed in the wombs of more ordinary animals. It's theoretically possible to get 12 offspring from one mating with ova transfer, although a more usual number is three or less.

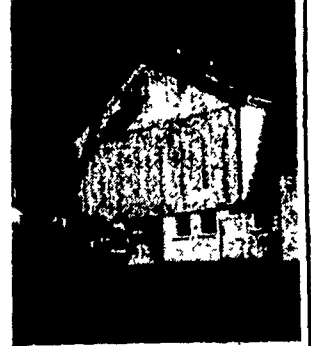
Mid-Hill-Acres Elev Joel is a daughter of Round Oak Rag Apple Elevation. Her seven nearest dams' best records average 23,470 pounds of milk with 935 pounds of fat for a four

percent test. Young said he had bought the heifer only last August, and was quite pleased with her showing at the sale. He added that he deals only in heifers, and said that he tries to find the best animals he

can. He runs his operation in a barn and 15 acres of pasture rented from Edwin Keener, an Elizabethtown RD1 farmer.

Young noted that he had to credit a major part of any success he might have with his heifer operation to Charles Myers of the Black and White Holstein Sales Barn. Myers helps Young select the animals to go into the herd of dairy hopefuls.

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The June uniform price for base milk decreased 69 cents from the previous month. Excess milk showed a decrease of 61 cents.

In comparison to June levels one year ago base milk was up \$1.46 and excess up 59 cents per cwt.

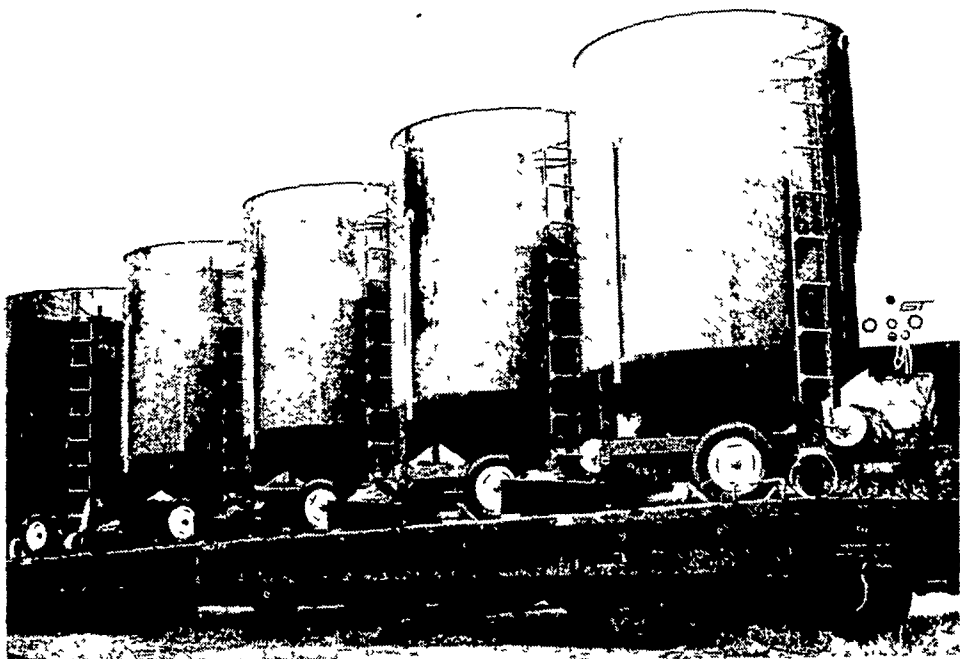
The weighted average price for the market was increased \$1.28 above June 1973.

A total of 382.8 million pounds of producer milk was pooled in June of which 55.8 percent was sold as Class I, showing a decrease of 1.7 percent of deliveries made in May, and a 4.8 percent decrease under June a year ago. 7777 Order No. 4 producers provided 12.7 million pounds per day to dealers during June, averaging 1641 pounds per day per farm. Total value of producer milk was set at \$32,954,975.94 for the month.

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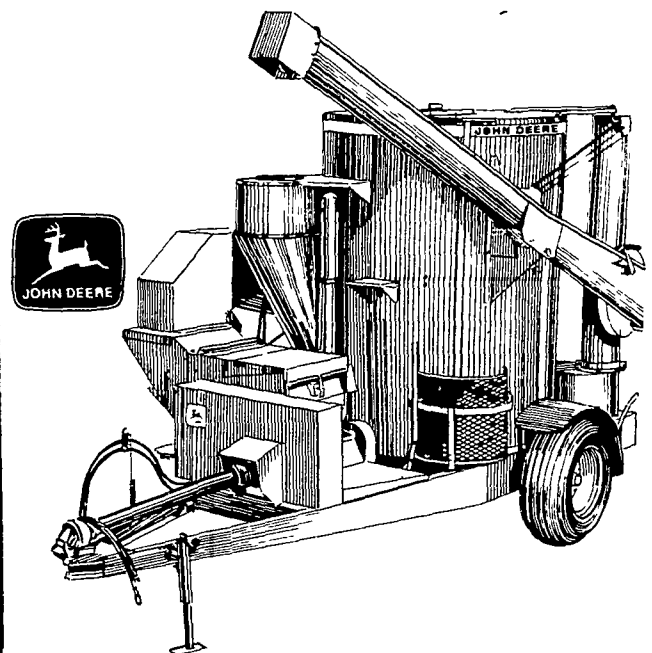
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