

Bumper Wheat Crop Is Forecast for '75

Most signs point to another bumper wheat crop in 1975 according to the USDA's Wheat Situation report released last week. The winter wheat crop as of May 1 was estimated at a record 1,620 million bushels. Plantings and intentions total 73.2 million acres, the

largest since the early 1950's. Yield projections indicate a 1975 crop of around 2.1 billion bushels, compared with last year's record 1.8 billion. So despite the smallest carryin in over a quarter century, wheat supplies may climb in 1975-76, possibly exceeding

this year's 2.0 billion bushels by 15 percent.

The stage is set for a sharp expansion in wheat feeding if cattle feeders shift gears. Large wheat supplies and the likelihood that harvesttime wheat prices may be competitive with feed grains could swell wheat feeding. World demand for wheat is expected to hold up, and it is likely that in 1975-76 U.S. wheat exports will again exceed 1.0 billion bushels. Even though total disappearance should continue quite strong, the sheer magnitude of the projected 1975 harvest would be enough to assure some rebuilding of stocks during 1975-76. This likely would result in wheat prices at the farm averaging well below the \$4.04 per bushel of 1974-75.

product prices caught many by surprise. Estimated exports of 1.1 billion bushels would be the third largest on record. Stocks of around 235 million bushels this July 1 would be the lowest in over a quarter of a century. But large supplies of early season new crop wheat could lessen the strain. Prices at the farm peaked in mid-November at \$4.87 per bushel and by mid-April had fallen by about a fourth. Forces seem to be building which could push prices downhill towards \$3.00 per bushel at harvesttime.

Early indications point to a record 1975-76 world wheat crop of over 370 million tons, 7 percent above this year's harvest, with the United States and USSR leading the way. If planting intentions around the world are realized, and normal weather prevails, competition in the world's wheat market will pick up in 1975-76. Both Canada and Australia expect larger acreages. The USSR is looking for a better crop as well. A number of other countries hope to improve export possibilities or lessen

their dependence on outside supplies. Growth in world demand, plus some rebuilding of stocks, should hold world trade around 70 million tons.

Lancaster County Cow Tops 30,000-lbs. Milk

A Registered Holstein cow owned by Herbert & Rhelda E. Royer, Lancaster, has completed a production record exceeding 30,000 lbs. of milk according to the Holstein-Friesian Association of America, Brattleboro, Vt.

Blossomelle Ivanhoe Jody 6923326 (EX) actually produced a total of 30,685 lbs. of milk and 1,033 lbs. of butterfat in 365 days.

Her record started at the age of 6 years 4 months. On a two times-per-day milking schedule. She averaged more than 39 quarts of milk each day throughout her testing period. The Royer Holstein's production is more than three times that of the average dairy cow.

Blossomelle Ivanhoe Jody was sired by Tidy Burke Jerry 1300014 (EX), a bull that has earned Silver Medal

Production Sire recognition. Production sampling, weighing and testing operations were supervised by Pennsylvania State University working in cooperation with the national Holstein organization.

Consumers' Corner

STREETS SAFETY
Recommendations for women traveling alone at night were published by the National Safety Council. Among their valuable tips they advise that the lone lady on dark streets should

- carry a flashlight
- avoid walking near bushes, alleys and other shadowy areas
- stick to the brightly lighted main thoroughfares
- be on the lookout for uneven sidewalks, broken curbs and holes that could cause stumbles
- while passing through lonely dark stretches in an auto keep doors locked and windows closed
- when unknown persons signal proceed to a well-lighted area such as a gas station before pulling over

The winddown of the 1974-75 crop year brings memories of a disappointing harvest, weak domestic disappearance for both food and feed, another very large export year, and a contra-seasonal slide in wheat prices.

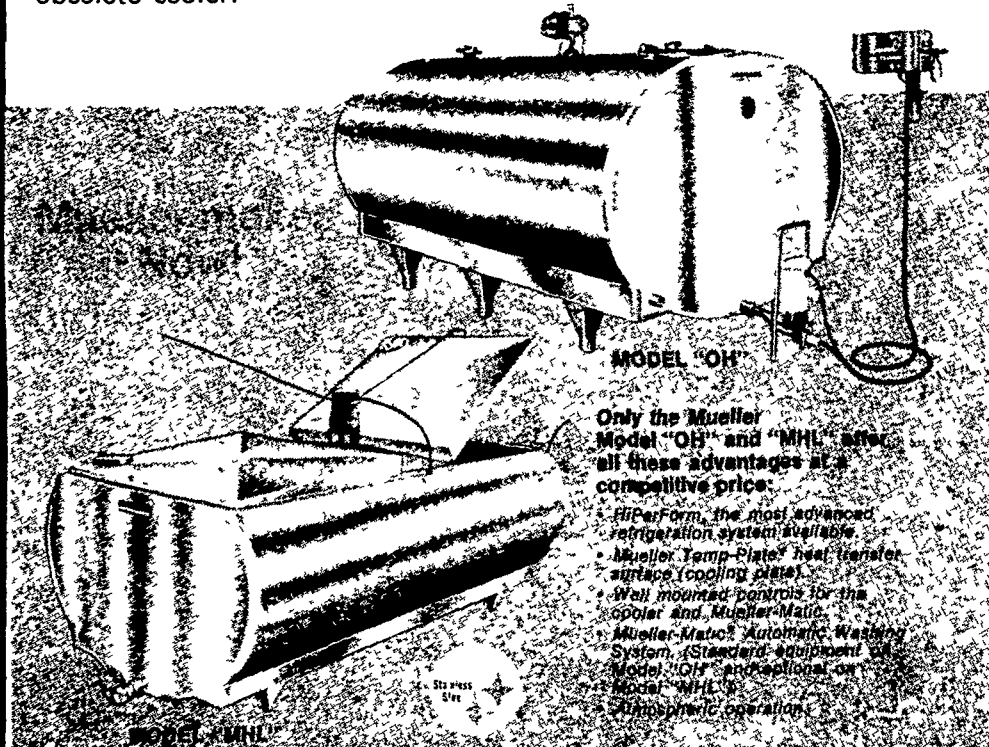
The 1974 harvest, while record large, fell far below the 2.2-billion-bushel level projected in the spring of 1974. Wheat feeding has been somewhat stronger than earlier envisioned, but still some 30 percent below a year ago. The falloff in food use brought on by consumer resistance to high bakery

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