

April milk price: \$9.05

NEW YORK — A uniform farm price of \$9.05 per hundredweight (46.5 quarts) for April milk deliveries to pool handlers under the New York - New Jersey marketing orders was announced Wednesday by Thomas A. Wilson, market administrator. The uniform price was \$9.65 in March 1976 and \$7.63 in April 1975.

The butterfat differential was 10.3 cents for each tenth of a pound of fat above or below 3.5 percent.

Receipts from dairy producers totaled 854,389,743 pounds, 0.2 percent or 1,759,600 pounds more than in April 1975, Wilson reported. Handlers utilized 390,158,791 pounds of these receipts or 45.7 percent for fluid milk products (Class I). In April 1975 the Class I utilization percentage was 47.2. For April 1976, handlers paid \$10.65 for Class I milk

compared with \$9.25 a year ago. Wilson stated that receipts on bulk tank units were 826,578,678 pounds, up 10,248,249 pounds. He added that this was 96.7 percent of the pool, compared to 95.7 a year ago.

A total of 457,134,465 pounds, or 55.3 percent, of tank milk was used as Class II and was subject to the transportation credit which amounted to \$457,134.52.

Producers with tank milk numbered 18,145, a decrease of 3.9 percent. The administrator said that the total number of producers in the pool was 19,379, a loss of 6.0 percent. Average daily

deliveries per producer rose 91 pounds to 1,470 pounds.

Pool bulk tank units decreased 24 to 186. Reports from 123 handlers were used to compute the pool, 8 more than in April 1975. There were 109 handlers with producer milk, a gain of 3.

The gross value to dairy farmers for April deliveries was \$78,445,714.60. Mr. Wilson explained that this included differentials required to be paid to dairy farmers but not voluntary premiums or deductions authorized by the farmer.

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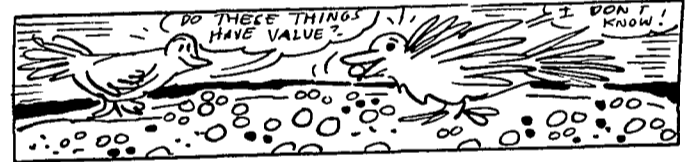
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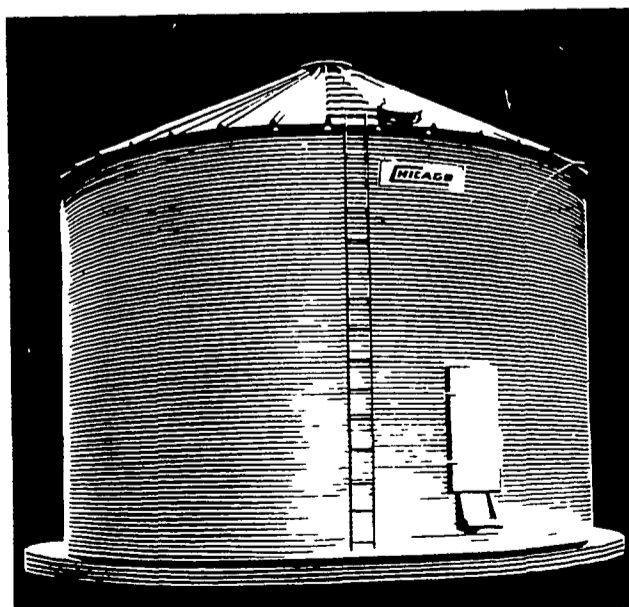
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