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WASHINGTON, D.C. — The U.S. Senate has agreed to keep the Supplemental Milk Funding Program for 1980 at 1979 levels, despite the Carter Administration's effort to trim it from \$142 million to \$32 million. The program provides about 70 per cent of the milk consumed by school children.

Numerous dairy cooperatives and farm organizations, including the American Farm Bureau Federation, had supported efforts to keep the program from being reduced.

One of the many spokesmen in favor of keeping the funding at present levels was Edward McNamara, president of Northeast Dairy Cooperative Federation (NEDCO), based in Syracuse, N.Y.

McNamara had sent

telegrams to New York Senators Jacob Javits and Daniel Patrick Moynihan, asking them to help defeat the proposed measure, which was introduced on Capitol Hill by Oklahoma Senator Henry Bellmon.

"His amendment would emasculate this vital low cost program of nutrition in schools which have other nutritional programs," McNamara argued. He

added that Bellmon's insistence that the program was duplicative was "simply not true."

McNamara also claimed that the cut in milk program funding would "slash New York dairy farmers' income by about \$10 million for this year."

Playing the budget game with nutrition programs, such as special milk, school lunch, and breakfast

programs, has been going on for some time, according to the NEDCO executive. "It is actually a U.S. Department of Agriculture spawned idea which has made consistent nutritional programming a political tug-of-war for too many years."

McNamara is a member of the executive committee of the National Milk Producers Federation.

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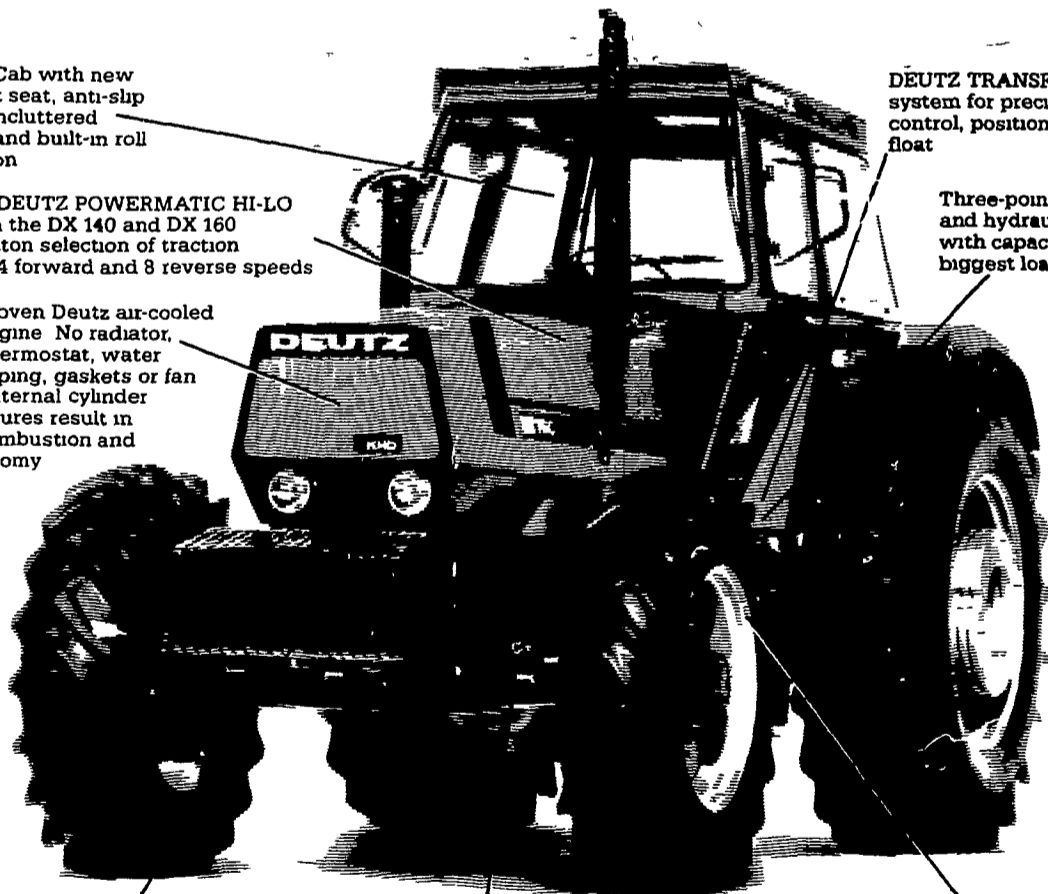
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