

# The Milk Check

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**Ditto Again**  
You were warned the last two months that your product prices—butter, powder and cheese— were sitting on their price supports and with your con-

tinued increases in production you couldn't expect any change in Class prices before April 1 when the new support price would be announced. Even your blend price was

exactly the same at \$12.25 for December and January.

Well, now you're getting more of the same in the Minnesota-Wisconsin price for February which was \$11.35 for 3.5 test milk. That's two cents less than January and one cent better than December.

This \$11.35 is your Basic Formula Price that determines the Class I and II prices that handlers will pay.

For February, the Class I price will be seven cents better than January but the Class II price will be three cents less.

With increasing produc-

tion, your Class I utilization has been dropping from 51.2 in November to 47.8 in December to 47.1 in January. If that continues you can expect five to ten cents less on your blend price for February.

After that, the Louisville Plan deductions start in March and the new price supports starts in April. But don't look for milk prices this Spring that are high enough to cover all your cost increases of the past year.

Some indication of the milk supply situation came with the announcement the third week of February that over 120 producers in the

Cortland area of New York would be dropped by a proprietary handler with 30 days notice. Fortunately about a quarter of them were co-op members and the others were offered membership, so all the milk

would find a home before the cut off date. It was just east of this same area in New York that nearly the same number of producers were dropped by a handler last November.



## Juniata County DHIA Monthly Report

### JUNIATA COUNTY DHIA February 1980

The February 1980 Juniata County Dairy Herd Improvement Association had records calculated for 5048 cows in 95 herds

The five high herds in average butterfat production per cow per day are listed below. Owner's name and address, number of cows, average daily pounds milk and butterfat per cow, are given in order

|                                   |    |      |      |
|-----------------------------------|----|------|------|
| S F Metz, Mifflintown             | 92 | 52.3 | 2.13 |
| F & Norman Love, E Waterford      | 49 | 59.3 | 2.12 |
| Raymond & Gladys Long, Port Royal | 42 | 53.5 | 2.01 |
| Donald & Diane Apple, Richfield   | 60 | 48.4 | 2.00 |
| Clyde D Moyer                     | 49 | 51.6 | 2.00 |

Three hundred thirteen cows completed lactation records of 305 days or less. Three of these cows produced over 900 lbs of butterfat, 11 produced over 800 lbs, 30 produced over 700 lbs, 55 produced over 600 lbs, and 72 produced over 500 lbs

The fifteen high cows are listed below. The owner's name and address, cow's name, pounds milk and pounds butterfat are given in order

|                                   |   |        |     |
|-----------------------------------|---|--------|-----|
| James V Wilson                    | 9 | 23,029 | 971 |
| Grand Hope Farm (John Cunningham) |   |        |     |
| Reba                              |   | 22,104 | 964 |
| S F Metz                          |   |        |     |
| Melba                             |   | 21,683 | 926 |
| Larry & David Noss                |   |        |     |
| 38                                |   | 21,676 | 895 |
| 24                                |   | 19,215 | 866 |
| 41                                |   | 17,856 | 849 |
| 46                                |   | 19,131 | 827 |
| Donald Adams                      |   |        |     |
| Rise                              |   | 24,052 | 882 |
| Freeburn & Norman Love            |   |        |     |
| 150                               |   | 22,133 | 881 |
| Mark L Zook                       |   |        |     |
| Minnie                            |   | 19,797 | 875 |
| Rick & Ralph Saner                |   |        |     |
| Jeanett                           |   | 20,076 | 856 |
| Roy & Glen Henry                  |   |        |     |
| Dove                              |   | 21,897 | 834 |
| David M Brubaker                  |   |        |     |
| Beauty                            |   | 19,475 | 803 |
| John R Saner                      |   |        |     |
| 23                                |   | 21,941 | 802 |
| Donald & Diane Apple              |   |        |     |
| 112                               |   | 17,904 | 795 |

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### For DEPENDABILITY

#### 29 H2510 DEMAND

#### 29 H2576 WIS APOLLO

Do you want to use high repeatability sires? ABS has 23 bulls with more than 100 daughters for your consideration.

| Code #   | Code Name       | PD\$ | PDM  | %Test | RPT | Dau-<br>ghters | PDT   | RPT |
|----------|-----------------|------|------|-------|-----|----------------|-------|-----|
| 29 H2434 | Gerri           | 180  | 1643 | -.06  | 99% | 2261           | -1.20 | 96% |
| 29 H2510 | Demand          | 176  | 2093 | -.30  | 98% | 1587           | + .65 | 96% |
| 29 H1948 | Belmont         | 151  | 1572 | -.15  | 99% | 3540           | - .49 | 97% |
| 29 H1881 | Bootmaker       | 133  | 1282 | -.08  | 99% | 25247          | +1.02 | 99% |
| 29 H2417 | Art             | 133  | 933  | +.11  | 99% | 1898           | - .15 | 95% |
| 29 H2465 | Grand Supreme   | 126  | 1603 | -.28  | 99% | 2525           | - .38 | 95% |
| 29 H2501 | Imperial Knight | 123  | 944  | +.06  | 96% | 563            | + .06 | 82% |
| 29 H2785 | Milestone       | 112  | 1342 | -.21  | 90% | 184            | +1.53 | 88% |
| 29 H2825 | Ormsby          | 110  | 1291 | -.19  | 88% | 168            | - .12 | 84% |
| 29 H2581 | Seaman Paul     | 108  | 1044 | -.07  | 86% | 138            | N/A   |     |
| 29 H3140 | Thaddeus        | 101  | 1162 | -.16  | 87% | 219            | -1.04 | 41% |
| 29 H2719 | Boot-Nick       | 99   | 956  | -.06  | 91% | 240            | +1.91 | 82% |
| 29 H2477 | Sunshine        | 98   | 629  | +.12  | 99% | 2591           | + .34 | 97% |
| 29 H2830 | Lift-Off        | 96   | 1086 | -.14  | 86% | 143            | + .76 | 84% |
| 29 H2913 | Maple E         | 95   | 450  | +.20  | 95% | 5              | - .40 | 87% |
| 29 H2770 | Gemini          | 90   | 659  | +.06  | 87% | 135            | +1.33 | 80% |
| 29 H2576 | Wis Apollo      | 88   | 953  | -.11  | 93% | 329            | +1.75 | 74% |
| 29 H2389 | Fond Billy      | 81   | 726  | -.02  | 99% | 2386           | - .01 | 96% |
| 29 H1953 | Rocket          | 72   | 213  | +.23  | 99% | 1657           | + .79 | 96% |
| 29 H2502 | Fond Tom        | 67   | 781  | -.12  | 99% | 2263           | + .65 | 97% |
| 29 H2890 | Ivy             | 59   | 406  | +.06  | 96% | 570            | +1.60 | 93% |
| 29 H1959 | Kit Builder     | 48   | 633  | -.12  | 99% | 4009           | +2.36 | 99% |
| 29 H2775 | Triple Threat   | 41   | 135  | +.13  | 95% | 410            | +2.43 | 94% |

If you want to use sires that have been accurately sampled, with high repeatability levels, call your ABS man.

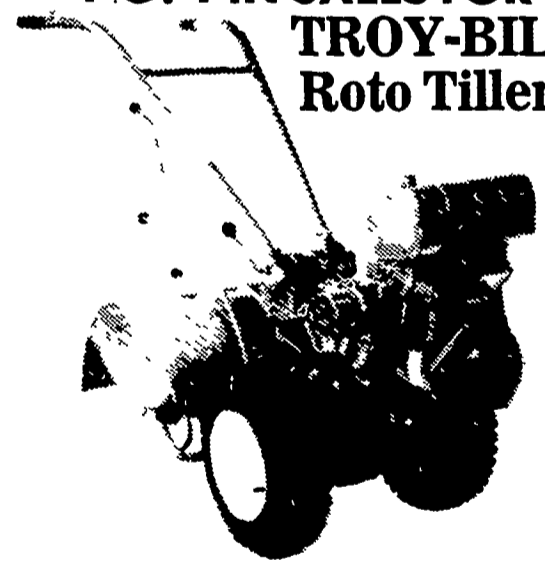


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