

# AAM calls for meeting of farmers and labor

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The American Agriculture Movement recognizes that all working people of this country are suffering.

"We suffer from high interest rates and spiraling inflation figures that lower our standard of living. The open door import policy and controlled exports have stolen millions of jobs of hard working American

people. We have been subjected to having tax payers made into tax recipients," AAM said.

Agriculture is the largest industry in America and consumes 40 percent of all the industrial output of our country. Agriculture employs over 20 million people directly and indirectly. The impact of the destruction of the farming industry by

producing at prices less than the cost of production has prevented farmers from being able to retool.

It is destroying rural communities and forcing thousands into the job markets to compete for a limited number of jobs, AAM continued.

The National Delegates, by unanimous vote, adopted the following resolution

Whereas, National USDA Administrators have ignored the political interests of independent family farmers, and

Whereas, Southern governments through the Southern Growth Policy Board have been unable to respond to the known emergencies, and

Whereas, the corporate sector, the independent

trade sector, and the major food processors have denied independent farmers' needs for assistance in achieving parity price.

Therefore, be it resolved, that the American Agriculture Movement call on leaders of AFL-CIO, Teamsters, United Mine Workers, UAW, and Independent Truckers Association to convene a

conference within the next 30 days.

And, be it resolved that the purpose of the conference be designed to assure sharing of resources, a definition of mutual interests and a structured operating relationship.

Be it further resolved that the use of the relationship between independent farmer organizations and labor organizations be to secure immediate commodity price increase to 90 percent parity and a three year debt moratorium retroactive January 1, 1980.



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## Order 4's December milk at \$15.20

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — Middle Atlantic Order Market Administrator Joseph D. Shure Wednesday announced a Class I milk price of \$15.20 per hundredweight for December 1980

This price is up 35 cents from the November price and is \$1.17 above last December

The Class I milk price for the year averaged \$14.45 compared to \$13.55 in 1979 Order No. 4 prices are announced for milk testing 3.5 percent butterfat, f.o.b. plants located within 55 miles of Philadelphia, and also within 75 miles from the nearer of Washington, DC or Baltimore, MD.

There is also a six-cent direct-delivery differential applicable to producer milk received at plants located within 55 miles of Philadelphia.

Shure announced a Class II milk price of \$12.50 per hundredweight for October 1980 and a butterfat differential of 16.9 cents for the month The Class II milk price also increased 35 cents from the previous month while the butterfat differential is up two tenths of a cent.

These class prices are based on the October 1980 Minnesota-Wisconsin manufacturing milk price of \$12.42 per hundredweight adjusted to a 3.5 percent butterfat content.

The USDA reported that the wholesale price of Grade A butter at Chicago for October was \$1.4706 per pound and the nonfat dry milk price \$9.189 per pound, f.o.b. plants in the Chicago area.

