

MILK MARKET NEWS

Federal Order 1
February Class I Jumps Six Cents
 Middle Atlantic Order Market Administrator Joseph D. Shine announced a Class I milk price of \$15.40 per hundredweight for February 1983. This price is 6 cents higher than the January price and is 6 cents higher than last February's Class I price.

There is a 6-cent direct-delivery differential applicable to producer milk received at plants located within 55 miles of Philadelphia.

Shine also announced a Class II milk price of \$12.70 per hundredweight for December 1982 and a butterfat differential of 17.0 cents for the month. The December Class II milk price is 6 cents higher than November 1982, and the butterfat differential is unchanged.

These class prices are based on the December 1982 Minnesota-Wisconsin manufacturing milk price of \$12.62 per hundredweight at a 3.5 percent butterfat content.

The USDA reported that the wholesale price of Grade A butter at Chicago for December was \$1,4794 per pound and the nonfat

dry milk price was \$.9368 per pound, f.o.b. plants in the Chicago area.

Federal Order 2
November milk marks
18-month decline

Dairy farmers were paid on the basis of \$13.71 per hundredweight for milk delivered to Order No. 2 handlers during November.

The price was three cents less than the amount received for November 1981, marking a full year of declines that ranged from three cents to 22 cents per hundredweight.

The seasonal incentive fund's last payback for 1982 was \$2.6 million, including \$0.7 million interest earned on investment of the monies deducted during the spring months.

This was the second highest amount of interest earned, exceeded only by last year's total (\$0.8 million); it will be recalled

that interest rates rose to record levels in 1981.

The effect of the seasonal incentive payback was an addition of \$.306 per hundredweight to the dairy farmer's uniform price for November 1982.

Producer receipts continued their upward trend. They aggregated 854.6 million pounds in November 1982, an increase of 23.0 million pounds (2.8 percent) from last year. Fluid milk product sales were slightly higher than a year ago, 363.7 million pounds compared to 362.4 million pounds.

The net effect of these two factors was another decline in the Class I utilization percentage. It slipped more than one percentage point to 44.9 percent.

The Class I price (\$14.71) was the same as last year while the Class II price was four cents higher than in November 1981.

Ephrata wins school exhibit

FARM SHOW — The Cloister FFA Chapter at Ephrata Area High School, Lancaster County,

had the top school exhibit in competition at the Farm Show.

Clearfield Area High School had the second-place exhibit and Kutztown Area High School had the third-place exhibit.

Cracking, good time



Having a cracking, good time are these volunteers from the Pennsylvania Nut Growers Association who are aiding judge Christ Pataky, center with hat on, of Mansfield, Oh. in selecting top entries in Edible Nut competition.

PUBLIC AUCTION FARM EQUIP., TRUCKS, FERTILIZER EQUIP., HAY & OATS THURS., FEB. 10

At 11 A.M.

(4 miles west of Tamaqua) between Rt. 309 & 61, first blacktop west of the Village of New Ringgold, turn N. off Rt. 895 onto blacktop north toward (Lewistown Valley) 4 miles just past Heisler's Dairy Restaurant, turn R toward Tamaqua for 2 miles to farm, Schuylkill Co. Pa.

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FERTILIZER TANKS & TRUCKS

(2) pr. 200 gal. each liq. tanks w/tractor mt. brackets; 400 gal. poly tank; (3) 1100 gal. poly tanks; 1973 Int. 1710 Cargo Star 23,000 GVW, 5 spd. w/2 spd. rear, w/1600 gal. two sec stainless tank & pto transfer delivery pump; 1967 Ford F-800, 49,000 miles, 19,500 GVW-4 spd. w/2 spd. rear & 1500 gal. stainless tank & Homelite pto transfer delivery pump; 1955 Int. R-190 sprayer truck w/1000 gal. stainless tank, w/John Blue transfer pump & 40' stainless hyd. adjusting boom; 40' van trailer w/sliding tandem axle; 40' tandem axle flat bed trailer; full ad later. Contact Auction Co. for full list.

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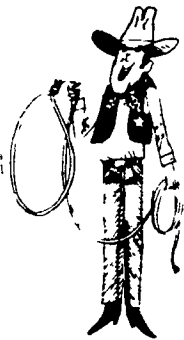
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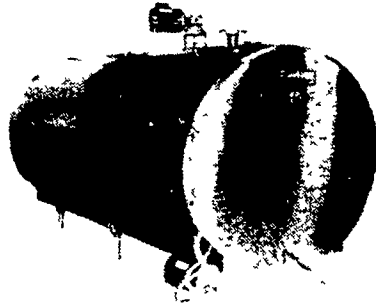
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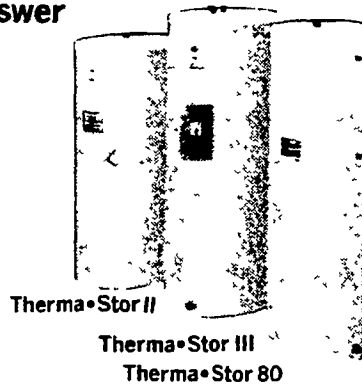
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