

## Dairy Marketing

### Milk priced at \$12.60 in Order 4

ALEXANDRIA, VA — Middle Atlantic Order Market Administrator Joseph D. Shine announced a February 1986 base milk price of \$12.60 per hundredweight and an excess milk price of \$10.98.

The weighted average February price was \$12.45 and the butterfat differential for the month is 16.0 cents.

The base milk price was down seven cents from January and was \$1.24 lower than last February. The weighted average price was down eight cents from January and was \$1.32 lower than a year earlier. The gross value of February producer milk was \$62.0 million, compared to \$64.1 million a year ago.

Mr. Shine said that producer receipts totaled 499.2 million pounds during February, an increase of 32.6 million pounds from

last February, and the average daily delivery of 2,663 pounds per producer increased 193 pounds or 7.8 percent from a year earlier.

Class I producer milk totaled 232.6 million pounds and was up 4.0 million pounds or 1.7 percent from last February. Class I milk accounted for 46.60 percent of total producer milk receipts during the month, compared with 49.00 percent in February 1985. Base milk accounted for 84.72 percent of total producer milk receipts in February compared with 90.20 percent last year. The average butterfat test of producer milk was 3.81 percent, up from 3.78 percent last February.

Middle Atlantic Order pool handlers reported Class I in-area milk sales of 199.9 million pounds during February, an increase of 3.0 percent from a year earlier.

### Kempton local sets meeting

SOUTHAMPTON — The Kempton Local of Inter-State Milk Producers' Cooperative District 1 will hold its annual dinner meeting April 1 at 7 p.m. at the Virginville Grange Hall, Director Penrose Hallowell announced.

The guest speaker will be Dr. Paul E. Hand, Inter-State general manager. Hand will review the cooperative's goals for the coming

year and will discuss the 1985 Farm Bill dairy provisions.

Ronald O'Neil, Kempton Local president, will conduct the meeting.

Inter-State Milk Producers' Cooperative District 1 covers Bucks, Lehigh, Montgomery, Northampton and Philadelphia counties and the northeastern portion of Berks County.

## Inter-State District 9 to meet

SOUTHAMPTON — Inter-State Milk Producers' Cooperative District 9 will hold its annual dinner meeting April 1 at 7:30 p.m. at the Felton Fire Hall, Felton, Del., Director William N. Hopkins announced.

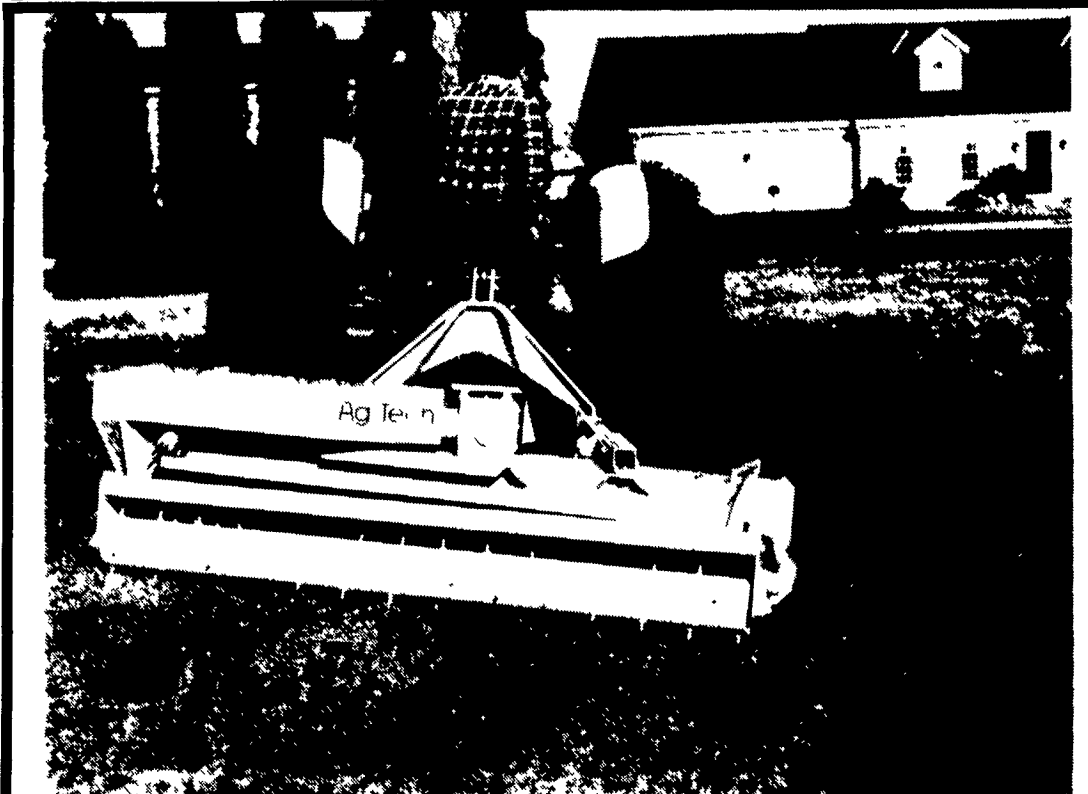
The guest speaker will be Robert

M. Dever, Inter-State assistant general manager. Dever will review the cooperative's current fiscal year and will discuss the dairy provisions of the 1985 Farm Bill.

William Vanderwende, District 9 president, will conduct a business

meeting to elect officers for the coming year. He will also present a 25-year membership plaque to Donald I. Mills, Milford, Del.

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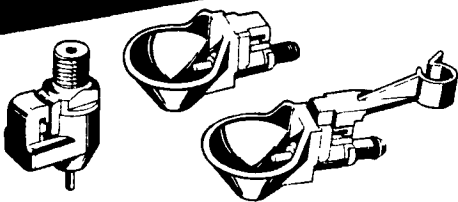


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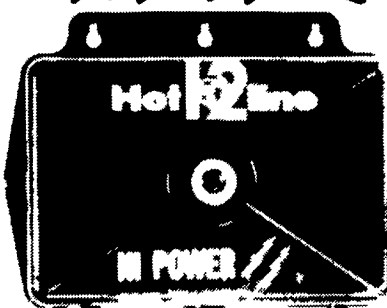
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