

Tobacco Prices Up

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Todd waived the auction's commission fee for Monday sellers.

During the next few days prices held steady as tobacco buyers purchased almost 300,000 pounds of tobacco.

At Garden Spot Tobacco Auction in Hinkletown on Tuesday, the average price for Maryland-type tobacco was \$.97 with the high being \$1.10 for several skids. At least 90 percent of the tobacco went to nine companies.

"I'm fairly satisfied with what we've seen so far," said manager Bill Mowbry. "I hope that we can hold onto these prices, and I hope, just like the farmers, that they'll go up a bit. They certainly could go higher, however, don't look for them to skyrocket."

At Paradise Tobacco Sales, top-quality Maryland-type leaf sold for \$1.05 while good bottom leaves went for 65 to 95¢. Later, at the Pennsylvania Tobacco Auction in Quarryville, prices averaged just over \$1.

These prices are good news to farmers, who watched prices drop dramatically last year after the fed-

eral government dumped hundreds of millions of pounds of surplus burley and flue-cured tobacco from the South onto the market at rock-bottom prices.

According to Mowbry, this price recovery is a surprise to most industry watchers, who predicted a two to three year recovery period.

"In response to last year's prices, farmers cut back their tobacco acreage, but they cut back harder than was expected. Officials predicted a five percent decrease and farmers actually dropped production by about 15 percent," he explained.

Mowbry also attributed the price gain to a better crop than last year, something not all farmers will benefit by due to the less-than adequate rainfall in some areas.

This is the third year for the auctions. Tobacco is typically sold on the farm by private-treaty offers.

Class I Milk Price 14.37 For January

ALEXANDRIA, VA — Middle Atlantic Order Market Administrator Joseph D. Shine today announced a Class I milk price of \$14.37 per hundredweight for January 1988. This price is down one cent from December and is 57 cents below last January's Class I price.

Mr. Shine announced a Class II milk price of \$11.42 per hundredweight for November 1987 and a butterfat differential of 15.6 cents for the month. The Class II price was down one cent from the previous month, while the butterfat differential decreased one-tenth of a cent.

The January 1988 Class I price and the November 1987 Class II price are based on the November 1987 Minnesota-Wisconsin manufacturing milk price of \$11.34 per hundredweight at a 3.5 percent butterfat content.

The USDA reported that the wholesale price of Grade A butter at Chicago for November was \$1.3562 per pound and the nonfat dry milk price was \$.7849 per pound, f.o.b. plants in the Chicago area.

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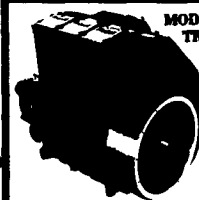


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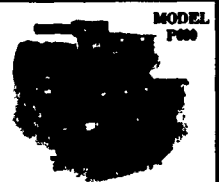


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