

National All-Jersey Holds Annual Meeting

REYNOLDSBURG, Ohio — Nearly 500 Jersey cattle dairy farmers and guests from across the U.S. and four foreign countries were present at the organization's 35th annual meeting in Greensboro, N.C., June 20-23.

Officers of National All-Jersey Inc. reported that over 75-percent of U.S. dairy farmers are now marketing their milk under multiple component pricing (MCP) plans. At current prices, component pricing plans add from 60 cents to \$2 per hundredweight to the price paid for Jersey milk. For all Jersey dairy farmers in the United States, the extra return was estimated at \$25 million in 1992.

Besides increasing the value of Jersey milk, it was also pointed out that MCP is increasing the demand for Jersey cattle and increasing participation in breed programs.

Officials also reported significant progress toward the organization's goal of implementing MCP in all regulated milk pricing systems by the year 2000. To date, MCP has been either implemented, final decisions rendered, hearings held, or proposals made for thirteen federal orders that regulate 57-percent of all federal order milk production. By year's end, proposals are expected for other orders.

Regarding national dairy policy, NAJ continued its endorsement of a two-faceted program to improve the U.S. dairy economy.

In addition to national adoption of MCP, the organization also advocates higher minimum solids-not-fat standards for fluid milk. Officials emphasized that this approach offers the greatest promise for increasing dairy farmer income, controlling surplus milk production, and increase milk sales, and providing consumers with quality dairy products at the best price.

It was pointed out that such moves have widespread support from producers, processors, and consumers.

The treasurer's report stated that 1992 was a record year for financial participation in the Equity Program, the program that provides financial support to NAJ's MCP efforts. Since the Equity Program's inception in 1976, over \$2 million has been voluntarily invested by NAJ members to promote MCP.

Charles Luchsinger Syracuse, N.Y., was elected to a four-year term on the National All-Jersey Inc. Board of Directors. He suc-

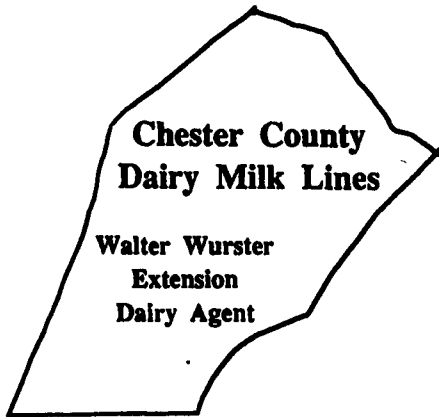
ceeds Ray Chamberlain, Wyoming, N.Y.

Richard Clauss, Hilmar, Calif., was re-elected to serve a fourth four-year term on the Board. Robert Stryk, Schulenburg, Texas, was re-appointed by The American Jersey Cattle Club to his second four-year term on the Board.

During the board's re-organizational meeting, Clauss was re-elected president and Ted Luther, Mount Ulla, N.C., vice-president. Other board members are: Dan Bansen, Dayton, Ore., William Barlass, Janesville, Wis., Paul Chittenden, Schodack Land-

ing, N.Y., William Mason, Buhl, Idaho, Richard Riggs, Evansville, Ind., James Rowzee, Newton, Miss., and Ray Schooley, Niangua, Mo. Maurice Core continues as executive secretary and Calvin Covington as general manager.

National All-Jersey Inc. is a national milk marketing organization associated with The American Jersey Cattle Club that assists its members in marketing their milk. It is actively involved in the nationwide promotion of multiple component and higher minimum solids-not-fat standards for fluid milk.

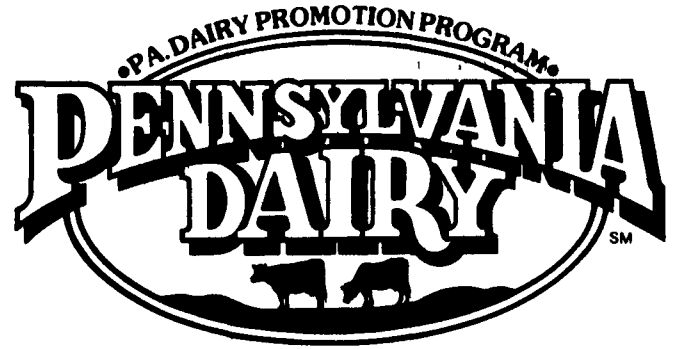


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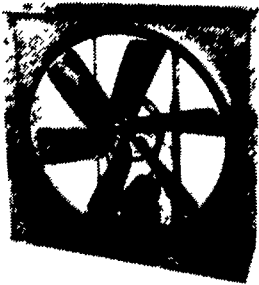
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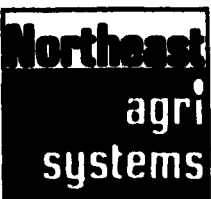
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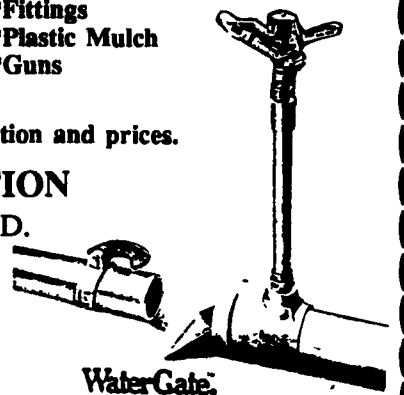
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