

- (2) Producer organizations must give proof to the satisfaction of the Minister of Marketing that they are able to provide an "all-the-year-round" supply of quality milk which in respect of quantity was, in the opinion of the Minister of Marketing, sufficient to meet their proportion of the season's requirements.
- (3) Each organization had to give a satisfactory undertaking of its ability to provide suitable alternative supplies of milk if it failed to meet the requirements as set out in (2) above, and to defray the cost of same; also obtain signed agreements with its members for supply, with appropriate penalties for default.
- (4) Lodge with the Town Milk Officer an application for approval as a producer organization and supply:—
 - (a) Written acceptance of the national town milk prices for the 1944-45 season as set out above:
 - (b) Full information as to the daily gallonage of milk the organization was at that time responsible for supplying, and also any estimate of any variation which could be anticipated during the balance of the year ending 31st August, 1945:
 - (c) A statement of the penalties to be imposed on members for default in supplying daily quantities agreed upon:
 - (d) A schedule setting out the minimum daily gallonage of milk which members then supplying town milk had agreed under penalty for non-fulfilment to supply for the season ending 31st August, 1945.

(3) *Fixation of Margins for Collection, Treatment, and Distribution for the Period up to 31st August, 1945*

The recommendations of the Milk Commission in regard to the above margins were fully considered, and it was decided that—

(1) From the 1st September, 1944, to 28th February, 1945, the difference between the town milk prices and the prices actually received from milk vendors by producers who were members of approved producer associations should be paid by way of direct subsidy by the Milk Marketing Division.

(2) From the 1st March to 31st August, 1945, the complete National Milk Prices Scheme should be put into operation. This meant the placing of treatment houses and vendors on defined margins as payment for specified services performed. The margins payable under this heading were determined as follows:—

- (a) *For Collection from Farm-gate to Vendor's Depot*—
1d. per gallon, subject to alteration on proved actual costs.
- (b) *For Treatment and Bottling*—
2d. per gallon for pasteurization.
0.33d. per gallon for chilling.
2d. per gallon for bottling.
 $\frac{1}{4}$ d. subsidy additional where consumer does not pay for bottles.
- (c) *For Distribution*—
To householders, 9d. per gallon.
For delivery to shop dairies, $3\frac{1}{2}$ d. per gallon.
For delivery to bulk consumers (hotels, restaurants, &c.), $3\frac{1}{2}$ d. to $5\frac{1}{2}$ d. per gallon, according to the quantity delivered.
- (d) *For Collection by Vendor from the Central Depot*— $\frac{1}{2}$ d. per gallon.