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Polyarnyi Dairy Farm Has a Successful Year

A State dairy farm situated in the polar region of Taymyr, to which earlier, even the hay had to be delivered by sea, has had its first year in the black. At Polyarnyi - the name of this dairy farm feed was the main factor in the high cost of production. Last year, while preparing for the changeover to self-support cost accounting, the management decided to cut short the farm's dependence on hay deliveries from elsewhere and to make its own hay in the tundra, in the floodplain of the Yenisey river.

Farm chores had been contracted out to various gangs. There was a considerable increase in the annual milk yield - more than 4,700 kilograms per cow. The cost of a centner of milk dropped by ten rubles.

We firmly intend to become a profitable operation this year - says the director of the dairy farm, N. Maleev. From now on we shall be completely self-supporting. We have set up a land-improvement section with a view to expanding our hayfields and reclaiming certain areas of the tundra. There is reason to believe that we are on the right path. There is also a moral satisfaction in seeing fresh milk - which used to be a rarity - on the store counters in the polar region.

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