

Now Is The Time

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 out on their own before
 parents realize how
 time they spent with
 and how differently
 would act if they had the
 opportunity to raise their
 children over again. A Merry
 Christmas to everyone.

**Word To Wise
 On Tractors**

Think your tractor is hittin' the way it should? . . . Maybe it is . . . And, then again, maybe it isn't!
 But, if results of a recent tractor clinic at Trenton, Ky, are any indication, chances are your tractor could do with a little work on it before you

tear into that plowing chore next spring.

Don't think so? . . . Neither did the 22 farmers who brought their machines in for extensive horsepower and fuel consumption tests at Trenton. Only, one, in fact, had any idea at all that his tractor wasn't running right. Most of the other farmers taking part in the tests actually figured the experts conducting the clinic would be hard put to

improve performance in their "finely tuned" machines.
 Yet, when the facts were in, after two days of comprehensive testing, not a single one of the tractors tested was developing the horsepower or providing the fuel economy it should have been. One tractor, in fact, whose owner insisted it was in "good shape", actually registered a 31% de-

crease in fuel consumption with nothing more than a simple carburetor adjustment!
 For the tests, tractors were pulled in from the fields and checked with a PTO dynamometer to determine horsepower and fuel consumption with the tractor in "as is" condition. For the initial test, no adjustments were made, no parts replaced.

Another dyno check then was made after such maintenance chores as servicing the air cleaner, adjusting the carburetor and installing new spark plugs, were performed on individual tractors, the idea here being to determine how much improvement, if any, each of these services might make.

Finally, each tractor was again put to the dyno a third time, after a complete tune-up had been performed. Thus, the engineers were able to determine not only the effects of individual services but also those of a complete tune-up on each tractor's performance.

Tests were made by engineers of a national spark plug company, a tractor products company, and field engineers from a tractor manufacturer in the shop of a local Trenton dealer who contributed his facilities for the occasion.

Results were enough to convince any farmer — even those from Missouri — that paying closer attention to routine maintenance chores can save a lot of money.

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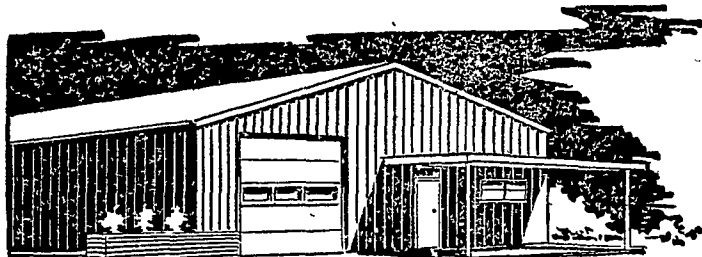
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