

New Book On Early Lancaster County Land Records Compiled

A new reference book for research into early Lancaster County families has been published, containing abstracts of Lancaster County deeds from 1729 to 1766. It includes Deed Books A through K, publishers of the book, Eastern Indiana Publishing Company, Knightstown, Ind., announced.

The book is thoroughly indexed and contains names, cross-references, acreage and township in which land is located, township residence of grantors and grantees, the publishers report. The previous owners and dates of deed conveyances are also shown, and R. T. Mayhill, who has compiled the information from microfilm copies of the deeds, says that many prior land transactions shown in the deeds were apparently never recorded. Complete family relationships of all names as shown in the deeds, are included, Mayhill says.

The book lists the following counties as being formed from Lancaster County: York, Cumberland, Berks, Northumberland, Dauphin, Lebanon, Schuylkill, Adams, Mifflin, Perry, Juniata, Franklin, Bedford, Huntingdon.

A second volume is now being compiled to show the names of adjoining land owners, Mayhill stated. Volume II will also include a continuation of the deeds beginning with Deed Book I. Mayhill is a newspaper editor and publisher at Knightstown, Ind., who is descended from several Lancaster, Berks and Juniata County families, and he has studied the county's history and records for 20 years. This research showed, he said, a need for a more complete index in order that such research would be quickened.

The price of Volume I is \$10. It is library text bound, and rental copies are also available. Other paper-bound copies at reduced prices.

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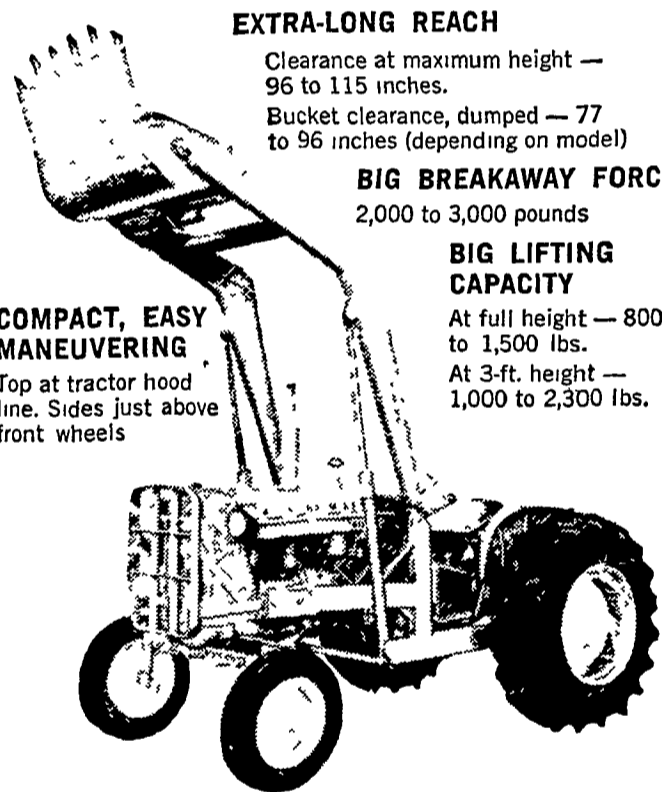


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