

Horse Show At Harrisburg

The 38th Annual Harrisburg Horse Show starts off the long season for horse show devotees David S. Kohn, president, has announced this year's show will be held Saturday, May 3, beginning at 9 a. m. at Belle-Nanco Farm, 2401 Linglestown Rd, Harrisburg.

The Susquehanna Township Lions Club is sponsoring the show. The proceeds will be applied to the sight conservation and aid to blind programs and other charitable projects.

A total of 26 classes will be featured with championships awarded in green working hunter, junior working hunter, working hunter, open jumping and a grand hunter divisions. The show will be held rain or shine.

An AHSA medal class, hunter seat, will be offered for riders who have not reached the 18th birthday. The winner will be eligible, if he takes two other such classes elsewhere, to compete in the finals to be held at the end of the summer.

The Harrisburg Horse Show is a regular show member and is classified by the American Horse Shows Assn.

WILD PHEASANTS ESTABLISHED BY TRAPPING AND RESTOCKING

Successful establishment of ring-necked pheasants seems possible by trapping wild pheasants from overstocked areas and moving them to farmlands providing suitable feed and cover, a scientist in wildlife management stated recently during a game bird short course at The Pennsylvania State University.

Dr. John L. George said that 1,006 wild ring-necked pheasants were released in a study area near Centre Hall, Centre County, during a three-year period of 1964, 1965, and 1966. The pheasants raised broods, and offspring of the original pheasants have established themselves. In 1968, the pheasant population in the study area was the highest on record.

Surveys showed that the number of pheasants in the area increased 20 per cent from 1965 to 1966. From the spring of 1966 to the spring of 1967, the pheasants increased by 80 per cent. And from 1967 to 1968, they increased 65 per cent.

"There are now about 400 per cent more pheasants in the area than there were four years ago," Dr. George affirmed. "The trend has been one of steady increase. However, the numbers are still below those of prime habitat for pheasants in southeastern Pennsylvania. We have every hope that the numbers will continue to increase."

The pheasants remained relatively close to the areas where they were first released, as indicated by observation of marked birds. Of leg bands returned by hunters, all were recovered within two and one-half miles of the release site. Pheasants captured at the site, marked, released — and later observed — were all noted within one and three-tenths miles of their point of capture. Most were within a few hundred yards of their capture point.

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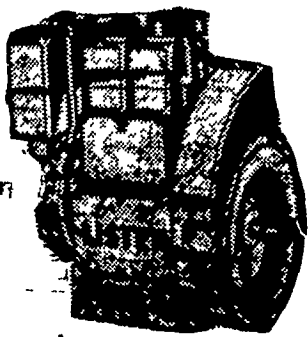
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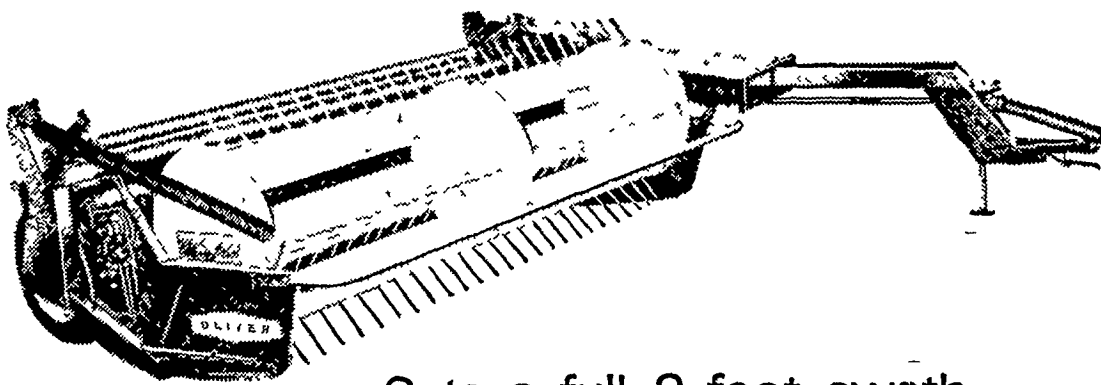
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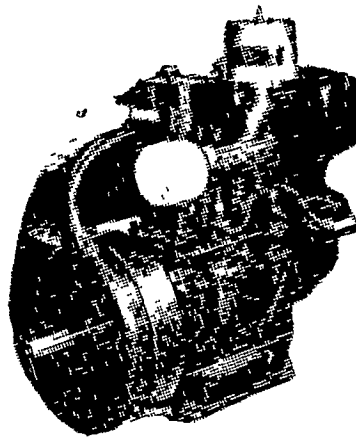


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