

Unprecedented high earnings resulting from up to 100 per cent manhour savings, up to 50 per cent more mushrooms-per-tray and many times faster, more efficient tray processing, are first-crop reports from this new, automatic "TRAY-PAK". Systems manufactured and marketed by Mentor Products, Inc., Mentor, Ohio.

This two-deck system, one of many customized variations, features eight mechanized processing stations, conveyor-fed and synchronized for continuous, complete operations. Customized supplementary machinery and accessories are optional.

Station One starts empty trays one-by-one into conveyor system from bottom of tray stack.

Station Two compost loader

**Two Mark Twains**

The original Mark Twain was a Mississippi River pilot named Isaiah Sellers, who wrote articles for a New Orleans newspaper, signing them "Mark Twain." When Sellers died, Samuel Clemens took the pen name for his own.

(side or end) dumps compost onto upper deck belt conveyor.

Station Three mechanically mixes growing spawn with pasteurized compost, evenly in accurate quantities, for the best production per tray.

Station Four synchronizes loading of moving trays with the mixed compost for proper, even distribution.

Station Five sweeps surplus compost from top edge of trays to following trays.

Compacting roller at Station Six compresses contents to desired level of tray.

Station Seven adds top soil casing to tray, metered and hopper-spread from above, evenly covering the compost.

Completed trays are stacked at Station Eight for fork-lift removal to growing house. Better saturation growth per tray area (less clumping) is reportedly due to uniform mechanical distribution of ingredients.

Mentor products new Tray-Pak Systems also feature Technical Services in-plant and on location... (1) to help develop growers' needs into practical

mechanical designs; (2) to help transform ideas and designs into the right machinery for all processing problems; (3) to help in the installation and operation of Tray-Pak equipment for achieving a "turn-key" system.

Detailed information available on request from Mentor Products. Arrangements can be made to observe machine during growing operations.

**Pony Clubbers Get 'B' Rating**

During the "B" testing held over the weekend, hosted by the Lanchester Pony Club, nine pony clubbers from Bridlewild, Old Rose Tree, Pickering, and Lanchester were tested on their proficiencies on horsemanship.

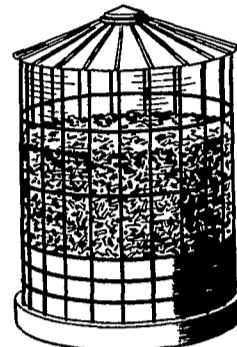
Pony clubbers receiving their "B" rating were Mary Beth Little, Laura Lane and Patti Hassler, from Lanchester Pony Club, Molly Shore, Bridlewild Pony Club, and Dawn Cottado, Pickering Pony Club.

Saturday's testing was held at

Lanchester Pony Club headquarters on the John Gibson farm in Drumore. Judges were Max Palmer, Mont Claire, N.J., and Linda Russel, Cedar Heights, N.Y.

Due to inclement weather and the cooperation of John Cully, Sunday's testing was held in the indoor riding ring at the Vic Mead Hunt Club, Delaware. Judges were Mrs. Igor Presnikoff, Boyce, Va., and Linda Russel, Cedar Heights, N.Y.

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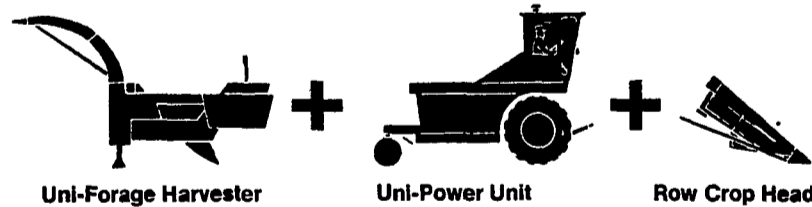


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