## Weather and Crop Service Starts Second Century Serving Agriculture

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The Weather and Crop Service information about weather and agriculture, mark its 100th anniversary in November.



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The Service, then under the direction of the Army Signal Service, collected and published weekly weather summeries for agriculture starting November 16, 1872. Today the Weather and Crop Service is the cooperative effort of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Statistical Reporting Service and the Commerce Department's National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

The Service relies on information from some 3,000 county agents, 13,000 volunteer weather observers and thousands of crop reporters. The official reports based on these local growing conditions and crop developments help stabilize the market and limit rumors that might affect agricultural prices. These reports influence decisions \*about production, inventories and ultimately the food supply and prices consumers pay.

## **Harness Racing Funds to be Sent Earlier to Fairs**

The 101 state and county fair associations in Pennsylvania will get their 1972 share of harness racing revenues earlier and easier.

Secretary of Agriculture Jim McHale directed that a new, simplified form be devised that would permit the associations to receive 90 percent of their allotment about five months ahead of schedule. The early payment was made possible by having the various agricultural associations and societies file an estimated return. The balance will be paid following the annual audit.

Last year's disbursement from



the harness racing revenues to the fairs came to \$1.3 million. Additionally, \$250,000 is distributed to nearly 120 county Future Farmers of America and 4-H groups, and \$41,000 is given to eight state-wide organizations to help them present agricultural competitions and educational activities.

"Not only do the county fairs stimulate interest in agriculture," said McHale, "but they also make an important contribution to the local economy. This is why we felt it was important to get the fair funds into their treasuries earlier in the year."

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Eight cupped tungsten carbide knives on cylinder cut and throw crop in a single fast, smooth operation. There s no need for a power consuming blower Scissors action of curved knives against shear bar produces a fine cut

Shear pins protect cylinder drive and drive line for long life

Built in sharpener lets you put fresh keen edge on knives without removing them from the cylinder

Shear bar is reversible and replaceable, with hardened edges for clean cutting

Delivery chute rotates for side or rear delivery into truck or wagon can be positioned easily from tractor seat

Deflector spout adjusts from tractor seat for full wagon loading

Multiple position hitch adjusts easily to match tractor drawbar height

Heavy 6" tubular steel frame is built to withstand the jolts and jars of operation over rough fields

Optional axle extensions change harvester tread to match row widths

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