



SPERRY NEW HOLLAND has introduced its new Model 850 baler, which makes big 66-inch diameter round bales. The tight, twine-wrapped bales weigh about 1,200 pounds depending on crop conditions. The bales are easily manageable and have good resistance to weather damage when left in the field. The Model 850 uses a Super-sweep pickup with closely spaced teeth to minimize hay loss. The bale is formed in a chamber, instead of on the ground, to further reduce loss and provide clean hay. A limited number of Model 850 balers will be available for the 1974 haying season.

## Local Equipment Firm To Make Round Baler

Sperry New Holland has announced it will be in limited production of a round baler for the 1974 haying season, with mass production scheduled to begin late next fall.

According to James R. Burkholder, product manager, the New Holland Model 850 round baler turns out big, 66-inch-diameter bales. They weigh about 1,200 pounds, depending on

crop conditions. Burkholder said tests show the Model 850 produces tight, manageable bales that have good resistance to weather damage.

Many farmers and ranchers prefer large round bales because they can be left in the field and fed to livestock on the range, eliminating the need to transfer hay to storage, Burkholder points out.

He said the Model 850 features the same Super-Sweep pickup found on conventional New Holland balers. Its closely spaced pickup teeth are designed to gather small stems and leaves, minimizing hay loss in the field.

On the "850" bales are formed within the chamber, rather than on the ground, to further reduce hay loss and provide clean hay. As hay enters the chamber, it is formed into a roll by a rugged system of chains and steel slats.

When formation of the roll is completed, twine is wrapped in a spiral around the outside, completing the bale. The twine wrapper is standard equipment and can be operated with one hand, from the tractor seat.

Other standard equipment includes large flotation tires to permit baling in a variety of field conditions, and a pickup windguard to help guide hay into the baler and minimize field losses.

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### Guernsey 4-H Club Organizes

Lancaster County 4-H Guernsey Club met for their organizational meeting on Tuesday, March 12, at the farm of Raymond Witmer.

Officers were elected as follows: Betty Jo Bitler, president; Cheryl Balmer, vice-president; Jane McSparran, secretary; Mark Witmer, treasurer; Jon Bitler, Dale Conrad, song leaders; Robin Gicker, Susan Witmer, game leaders; Diane Crider, news reporter.

The club decided to have meetings the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30. The next meeting will be at the farm of Fred W. Crider on April 9.

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