



In spite of showers and drizzling rain, people from all over the State gathered at the Bloomsburg Fairgrounds for the 1974 Edition of Ag Progress Days.

Ag Progress Days Large Crowds In Spite of Rain

A record crowd gathered Wednesday at the Bloomsburg Fairgrounds, Columbia County for the opening day of the 1974 Ag Progress Days.

Despite intermittent showers throughout the day, visitors wound their way through the machinery and craft exhibits, health service displays and booths concerning agribusiness in Pennsylvania.

During the day interested people flocked to "machinery row" to view demonstrations of silage harvesters, grain elevators

and milking equipment.

Others did their part to represent agriculture by giving their award winning demonstrations on a variety of topics from DHIA testing to macrame.

Craftsmen from all over the State also gathered in the Exhibit buildings demonstrating their handiwork in carving, broom-making, pottery and material design.

During the rain, many people converged on the Hay and Silage Show which was held in the Exhibit buildings. Several area farmers had displays of their hay and

silage, among them were:

Jesse Balmer, Lancaster County; Daniel Brubaker, Lancaster; J. E. Lanius, York; Albert Moyer, Lebanon; Daniel Schlegel, Berks; Calvin Martin, Lancaster; R. J. Yost, Lancaster; Elwood Weidman, Lebanon; Paul Bollinger, Lebanon; and Donald Weidman, Lebanon.

Donald Brubaker and Thomas Zartman, both of RD1, Ephrata placed high in individual Hay competitions.

Winners in the Corn Silage Competition included:

Whole Corn Silage: 2nd -



During the afternoon rains, many visitors gathered in the Exhibit buildings to view the hay and corn silage displays.

Jacob Esh, Lancaster; 4th - Lester Blouch, Lebanon and 5th - Clarence Keener, Lancaster.

High Energy Corn Silage: 1st - Glenn Wissler, Lancaster and 3rd - Ammon Reiff, Lancaster.

Mainly Grass Silage: 3rd - Warren Bucher, Lebanon.

Mainly Grass Class 5 - Warren Bucher, Lebanon. Legume - Tom Zartman, Lancaster.

High Energy Corn Silage Class 2 - 2nd - Nathan Stoltzfus, Lancaster; 3rd - L. Bomberger, Lebanon; 4th - Don Lanius, York, 5th - Paul Rohrer, Lebanon.

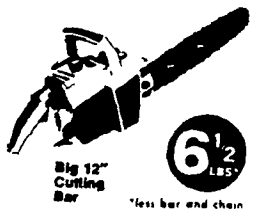
Officials of the show indicated that 120 exhibits, a record number had been placed on display. Activities carried on through Thursday with more machinery demonstrations planned as well as square dancing and events for children.



Craftsmen from all over the state displayed their handiwork as part of the Ag Progress Days.

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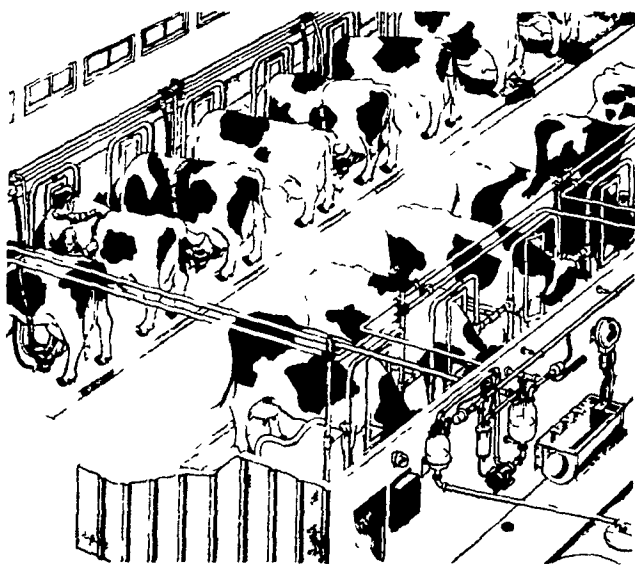
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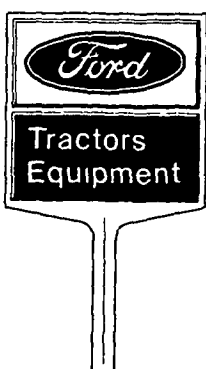
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