

Agway Holds Truck - Spreader Clinic



Harold Mengle, Agway Crop Specialist shows other participants the fertilizer spreading efficiency of each truck by measuring field samples.

A large crowd of Agway personnel and representatives met Thursday afternoon at the Jose Buckwalter farm in RD3, Lititz, for their annual truck spreader clinic.

Agway fertilizer truck drivers from all over the Southeastern Pa. participated in the clinic which emphasized the safety and efficiency of each vehicle.

The trucks were run over a test portion of the field to measure the efficiency of their fertilizer spreading equipment.

Jack Reed, area Farm Sales Manager of Agway explained why the clinic was held.

"With the increasing cost of fertilizer both the farmer and personnel at Agway would like to have our equipment in the most efficient and safe condition, possible", he stated.

"At Agway our trucks go through more safety inspections than is really necessary to make sure they are in good running and performing condition. So far



Agway representatives and guests at Thursday's Clinic included from left: Trooper Ed Rowlands, David

Buckwalter, Jack Baxendale, Harold Mengle, Jack Reed and Trooper John Stower.

we have a perfect safety record and hope to keep it that way", Reed commented.

Not only were the trucks inspected but also the pattern of the fertilizer that was spread in the field. Several of the firms that blend the fertilizer were also present to make sure the fertilizer was being spread in an even

and efficient manner over the entire field.

During the afternoon session Troopers Ed Rowlands and John Stower explained the working of the radar system used by the State Police and included a demonstration with a moving vehicle.

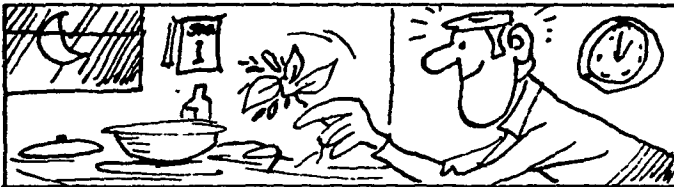
Following the demonstration, the drivers were encouraged to ask questions concerning driving trucks and the laws that are involved.

Along with the check of efficient spreading the trucks were also inspected for safety by Trooper John Stower of the Lancaster Barracks of the State Police.

Along with numerous drivers from 11 counties in Southeastern Pa., guests at the clinic included Jack Baxendale, Services Manager for Agway at the Syracuse office and Harold Mengle, Crop Specialist for Agway at the Harrisburg Office.



At Agway's Spreader Clinic held Thursday afternoon, trucks from 11 southeastern Pa. counties were inspected for safety and efficiency in spreading fertilizer.



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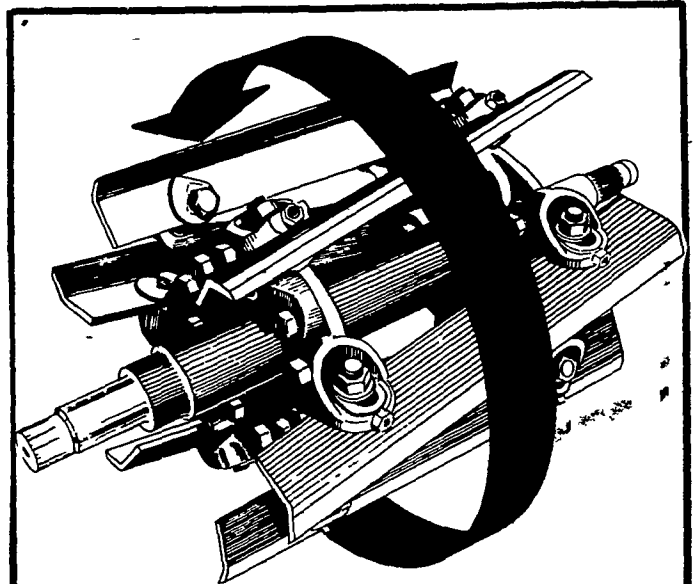
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