

## Allis Chalmers to Give Pulling Awards

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Tractor Pulling - the modern-day farm sport is growing rapidly both in number of entrants and in popularity as a spectator sport.

"This is the only farm sport directly related to modern agriculture," said Ed Hart, Chairman of the National Tractor Pullers' Association, Advisory Board. "The men who participate are the modern farmers of today."

The Advisory Board is a part of the National Tractor Pullers' Association (NTPA) which has its headquarters in Upper Sandusky, Ohio.

Tractor pulling is growing. This year, Allis-Chalmers Corp. will give the NTPA "Stock Tractor Puller of the Year" free use for one year of any two wheel drive Allis-Chalmers farm tractor of his choice. Selection will be

based on nominations originated among competing tractor pull drivers and from NTPA local associations. The selection will be made Feb. 3, following the "Super Pull," in Indianapolis, Ind.

"Tractor pulling is fast arriving at a new status in the competitive entertainment world," Hart said. "This year, total purse in NTPA's official pulls will be approximately \$500,000."

Who participates in tractor pulls? According to Hart, most tractor pullers represent a strong and vital segment of agriculture. They generally farm 800 to 1,000 acres. Results of one spot survey of 50 entrants in the 15,000-pound tractor pulling class showed these men grew an average of close to 960 acres of corn."

Formed In 1969

Formed in 1969, the NTPA had 150 members the first year. Current membership stands at around 4,500, with

the majority being farmers. However, people in other professions and businesses also compete in pulls. There are probably three or four times as many pullers in the country who pull one or two times a year at a county fair, and are not NTPA members.

State tractor pulling organizations now operate in some 23 states, with each state group having two members serving on the national organization's board of directors.

"The result is that the tractor puller today has more say about his sport than auto race drivers do about theirs," Hart commented.

### A Sport For Everyone

The NTPA currently sanctions about 50 tractor pulls per year. In addition, many state sanction pulls in their own areas. In 1973, there were over 3,000 pulls in the United States and Canada. During 1974 the Association expects over 3,500 pulls in the United States and Canada. During 1974 the Association expects over 3,500 pulls.

"We wanted rules and safety standards on pulls so our members know a pull is going to be operated the same way any place he goes," said Hart. "If we sanction the event, then we also send the judges."

Many county fairs now hold closed pulls so only area farmers can enter. This gives local farmers an opportunity to pull their tractors and to compete with other farmers in their area. After they gain some experience, they can move on to larger pulls if they desire.

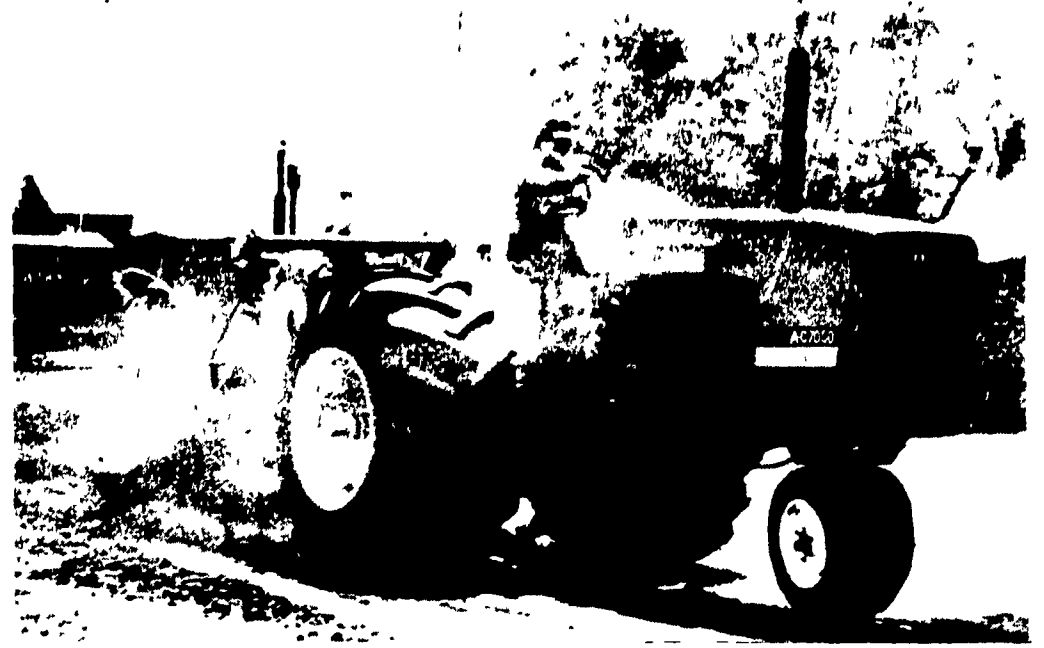
### Began As Rural Sport

Tractor pulling dates back some twenty years as the favorite rural sport in the Midwest as an off shoot of the old horse and pony pulls. The present NTPA form of operating a tractor pull is the speed pull. It is operated on a dirt track at least 30 feet wide and not less than 200 feet long.

The tractor is hooked to a flat bottom sled loaded with a predetermined weight. As the tractor starts down the track, weight is added to the sled.

Weight can be added to the sled in two ways:

1. The oldest method is to have men stationed along the track every 10 feet. As the sled passes each man steps



Dust, smoke, determination and excitement are the main ingredients of a tractor pull.

on, adding weight to the sled and causing the load to increase on the tractor.

2. The most popular method is the mechanical sled. It is 8 feet long. Attached to the rear portion of the sled is a weight-transfer machine. The machine shifts 5 to 10 tons from the wheels to the sled.

With standardized pulling rules, some NTPA members enter 30 or more different events during the summer months. One Ohio NTPA member told of pulling in five events in Ontario and

Pennsylvania during a single week last summer. And he had participated earlier in Tennessee, Illinois and Ohio pulls on three consecutive days.

NTPA is now making plans for its annual "Super Pull" to be held Jan. 21-Feb. 2 in Indianapolis, Ind. This year's purse will be the largest in the history of tractor pulling. The top puller from each of eight districts plus 12 pullers with the most points in National NTPA competition this year will be invited to par-

ticipate in each class.

Following the "Super Pull", the NTPA awards banquet will be held, and the "Stock Tractor Puller of the Year" will be announced, and be given free use of an Allis-Chalmers tractor for one year.

As for the future of tractor pulling, Hart feels it is unlimited. "There are many new areas in which tractor pulling is growing," he said.

"Take Texas for example. To my knowledge, there had never been a tractor pull in Texas until two years ago. A recent pull in that state attracted 80 contestants in one class. One day alone, three Texas farmers called for more information on starting local pulling clubs."

## Farm Credit Nominees

The Farm Credit Administration recently announced the results of a series of nominating polls conducted to select candidates for consideration by President Gerald R. Ford in filling two vacancies which will occur next spring on the Federal Farm Credit Board.

The Board, whose members serve part-time, is the top policy making body for the borrower-owned Farm Credit System which supplies about \$25 billion in loans to farmers and farmer cooperatives each year.

The candidates, three from each of two Farm Credit districts, are Ben R. Adams, Winter Haven, Florida; J. Edward King, Dalton, Georgia; David C. Waldrop, Newberry, South Carolina; Ralph N. Austin, Westcliffe, Colorado; James S. Culberson, Lordsburg, New Mexico and Virgil A. Prewett, Cherokee, Oklahoma. Adams is a manager of a citrus packing company and the others are either farmers or ranchers.

Incumbents in the two posts are T. Carroll Atkinson, Jr., Marion, South Carolina, present Board chairman, and James H. Dean, Hutchinson, Kansas, Board vice chairman. Their terms of office, which are limited to 6 years, are scheduled to expire March 31.

The nomination process is prescribed by law and consists of designation polls in which boards of directors of Federal Land Bank Associations, Production Credit Associations and cooperatives holding stock in the district Bank for Cooperatives each conduct

### Body Facts

Man's body includes 500 muscles, 200 bones, four gallons of blood, several hundred feet of arteries and veins, over twenty-five feet of intestines and millions of pores

## PUBLIC AUCTION

Farm Sold, Tenant must move. Located on Duhamel Corner Road, just off Route 300, 2 miles East of Sudlersville, Md.

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1974**

AT 11:00 A.M.

### 62 HOLSTEIN COWS & HEIFERS 62

This herd consists of 37 milk cows, many fresh, some close springers, many in full flow of milk. Artificial breeding for over 12 years by Curtiss. 7 spring first calf heifer, 6 open heifers ready to breed, 12 small & yearling heifers. Accredited and retested.

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MILK EQUIPMENT, FEED EQUIP., UNIVERSAL PIPELINE and 4 pipeline milkers and automatic washer, Vacuum line, Universal vacuum pump, SOLAR 340 vacuum milk tank (stamped), w-auto washer, water heater, SS wash vats, etc. Feed bunks, hay rack, feed cart, concrete water trough.

HAY & STRAW: 3000 bales clover & timothy hay (new), 2700 bales clover & timothy (last year), 700 Lespeda stubble hay, 300 mix hay, 500 bales wheat straw.

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**STEERS — 300 to 900 Lbs.**  
**HEIFERS — 300 to 600 Lbs.**

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**DECEMBER 4, 1974 - 7:30 P.M.**

Sponsored by the Dublin Feeder Cattle Association and the Virginia Beef Cattle Association.  
All Cattle State Graded

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**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6**

10:00 A.M.

### 170 HEAD OF HOLSTEINS 170

(All but 4 are Registered)

100 COWS      62 HEIFERS      8 BULLS

Tested for Interstate Shipment

1974 DHIR average 70 lact 16,969M 4.0% 682F

### EXCELLENT PRODUCTION:

1 selling with 25,440M  
2 selling with records from 22,000 to 23,000  
2 selling with records from 21,000 to 22,000  
4 selling with records from 20,000 to 21,000  
5 selling with records from 19,000 to 20,000  
8 selling with records from 18,000 to 19,000  
9 selling with records from 17,000 to 18,000  
7 selling with records from 16,000 to 17,000  
5 selling with records from 15,000 to 16,000

Many other young cows working on outstanding records.

Fifty-one daughters and 1 son of Haven Lane Criss Tony (EX) proved in the herd and now at Curtiss. Many are bred to him now. He sires milk.

There are daughters of Round Oak Rag Apple Elevation, Pawnee Farm Arlinda Chief and Paclamar Astronaut.

Many first-calf heifers recently fresh selling, and some excellent cow families in this fine offering. A number of cows have milked over 100 pounds a day. A number of VG cows selling with records to over 1,000F.

The heifers write outstanding pedigrees and offer a great opportunity to buy foundation females.

The bulls include Tony's maternal brother by Bootmaker and bulls of all ages with sensational production on the dams and by the breed's most popular sires.

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