



"The Sting", a tractor owned by Lester Landis, Lititz, was one of 17 tractors on display last week at Park City. The Southeastern Tractor

Pullers Association staged a show there in the Watt and Shand Mall to herald the beginning of another season of tractor pulling.

Tractor Pullers Set To Open '75 Season

Although their tractors didn't roar, spit fire and smoke, or churn dirt, Lancaster County tractor pullers did get their season underway with friendly competition before a crowd of thousands last week at Park City.

The pullers trucked 17 tractors into the Watt & Shand Mall. Giant super stock tractors, souped up garden tractors and

everything in between were on display.

An estimated 25,000 people looked at the machines, and 700 of them stayed long enough to cast their votes for the best looking tractor. When the votes were counted, the winner was Elwood Funk's modified Farmall F-30. The tractor was built in 1939, but is now powered with an 1100 cubic-inch V-8 Ford engine

originally designed to power tanks.

Funk is president of Chemgro Fertilizer Co. in East Petersburg. He's also president of the Buck Tractor Pulls, the country's first track built especially for tractor pulling. Funk's tractor, "Boss Moss", will be seeing plenty of action this year.

Elvin "Oz" Ament, Ephrata R2, was chairman of the Park City display. He said the pulling season in Lancaster County will open a two-day event May 9 and 10 at Kinzers. The Southeastern Tractor Pullers Association will stage that pull at the Rough and Tumble Engineering Grounds on Route 30 about 12 miles east of the City.

The Buck Track will open its season a week later on Saturday night, May 17. That track is located 12 miles south of Lancaster on Route 272. Buck pulls have also been scheduled for May 24 and May 31. More information about any of these events can be had by calling 717-354-8600.

Farming's Productivity — A Story of Success

The chronicles of agricultural productivity — fewer and fewer farmers producing greater amounts of food for more and more people — is a success story unparalleled in U.S. history.

From 100 percent of the original settlers working the land for their own survival to the present total of less than 5 percent of the U.S. population engaged in farming to feed the remainder of the country and a sizable part of the world, it's a story of amazing agricultural statistics.

At the time of the Revolution, more than 90 percent of the population of the new



nation was still engaged in farming.

By 1820, the percentage of farmers had dropped to some 83 percent and about 60 man hours of labor were needed to produce an acre of wheat.

Gradually the number of Americans in agriculture continued to slip until by 1870 farmers were no longer in a

majority in the U.S. By then, only 47 percent of the country's population could be classified in agriculture.

The number of farmers dwindled further and by 1910 only a third of the growing population was in agriculture.

With only 21 percent of the population in farming in 1930, total man hours required to produce an acre of wheat fell to just three.

In the 1950's the farming population dipped to less than 15 percent and continuing declines reduced that percentage to less than 5 percent. But agricultural production maintained its upward climb and output per man hour jumped some 17 times in the past two decades.

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