



Conservation practices include management of water, pastures, woodland and fields.

Conservationist

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completed when Hurricane Agnes struck in 1972. As a result, more than 100 truckloads of topsoil washed into the pond. The valuable material has long since been removed and re-applied to fields, some of which register a 12 per cent slope. No significant problems have been encountered since conservation practices were fully implemented.

A director of the Octorara Watershed Assn., Linde thinks positively about conservation of resources not only because of their material values in his business, but for beautification. He and his family, for example, have

planted dozens of trees, including numerous German "Linden" trees, for decorative and environmental purposes. They're used in pastures for shade and to hold steep banks in place; in woodland to add variety and improve humus, and near the barn as windbreaks. In addition, the family has planted 30 rhododendron bushes around the homestead.

"Farming is fun when you can see how everything progresses favorably," Linde said with a smile as he adjusted the milker underneath one of his top Guernseys.

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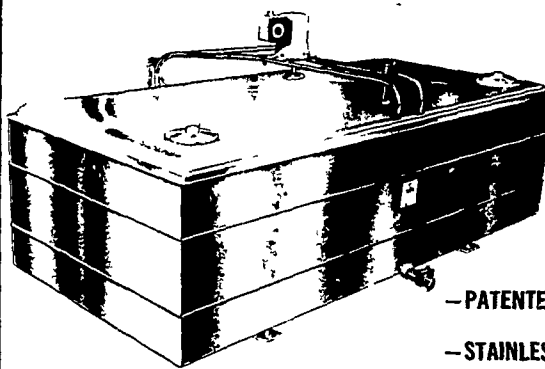
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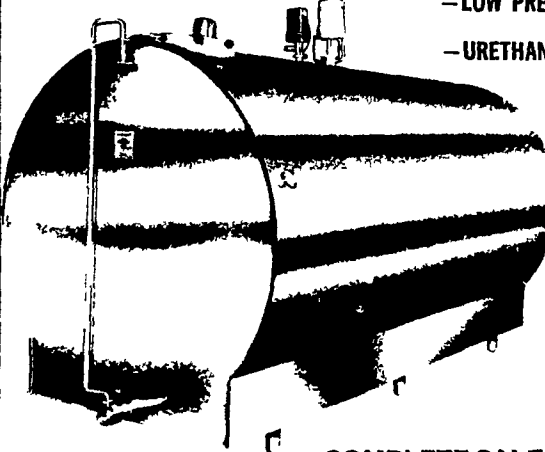


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