

New tractors shown

HERSHEY, Pa. - Farmers from Pennsylvania and three neighboring states tested a new line of International Harvester tractors here that featured a "control center" instead of a cab.

IH officials estimated 1,000 farmers saw the feature designed to help boost productivity during a two-day show that ended Wednesday (September 22). The product introduction began Tuesday (September 21).

Highlighted at the Hershey Stadium here and then field tested at the nearby Hershey Farms were IH's new "Pro-Ag" line of model series 86 tractors. The six new tractors come in the 85-160 PTO hp classes.

Instead of the traditional cab, these are equipped with

a "control center," IH officials said. This is an integral part of the tractor in contrast to the add-on cabs of the past and has the latest in comfort, safety, and convenience of operation.

The glass-and-steel enclosure is mid-mounted and located forward of the conventional design.

According to IH officials, this feature is expected to permit operators to work longer hours with less fatigue and thereby resulting in greater productivity.

Also contributing to a farmer's efficiency is a set of warning lights in the enclosure that enables the driver to monitor such operations as brake wear, air pressure, and radiator coolant level.



New tractors and new equipment were shown and demonstrated by International Harvester dealers in Hershey last week.

Nitrogen produced

NEWARK, Del. - Grow nitrogen this winter to fertilize next Summer's field corn. This is the advice of University of Delaware Extension agronomist Dr. William H. Mitchell. He says that tests conducted over the past few years at the University's Agricultural Experiment Station show that hairy vetch and crimson clover are among the best plants you can grow for a nitrogen producing cover crop. Both plants have nitrogen-fixing bacteria

which live in nodules on their roots.

In these tests, an acre of hairy vetch was found to provide field corn with the equivalent of 100 pounds of nitrogen from the most popular fertilizer source—ammonium nitrate. Since about 85 per cent of the nitrogen fixed by vetch and crimson clover is located in the plants' top growth, it is important that seedings be made now so that they can make good growth before the arrival of cold weather.

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