



Tents, tractors, and scenic beauty in the background marked Ag Progress Days 1977.

Nearly 50,000

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James F. Mowry of Somerset placed second, and Harold Forrester of Chambersburg was third. Both of the contests that day pitted former and present champions against each other in their respective divisions.

In the small plow division, Myron Young of Chambersburg will carry the Pennsylvania colors to the national contest. He defeated John Hess of Dallastown and Harvey Sauder of New Holland on Wednesday for the chance to go to El Paso. Tuesday's placings in the small plow class are as follows: 1. John Hess, Dallastown; 2. Paul Hock, Shippensburg; 3. Mark Young, Chambersburg; 4. Dennis Leffler, Gretz; and Robert Foor, Berlin.

The state's best contour plowman is Bob Miller of Millersburg. Ron Martin of Chambersburg finished second, Robert Miller of Berlin was third, and Earl Carbaugh of McConnellsburg was fourth.

There is no national contour plowing division, so none of the above men will go to the national contest as a competitor.

Another master with the plows who was recognized on Wednesday is Frank Koccevar of Dauphin County. Koccevar, 74, is a national plowing champion and will represent the United States in world competition next month in Holland. He has won all three state championship divisions and received the "triple crown" award during a ceremony on Wednesday at the Ag Progress site.

The large outdoor agricultural exhibition is sponsored by Penn State University, in cooperation with farm machinery dealers and numerous agricultural agencies and organizations.

Nearly 200 commercial exhibitors exhibited approximately \$10 million worth of equipment. Exhibitors pay fees for space at the Ag Progress Days site and those funds are used to stage the entire event. Most anything a

farmer has or needs in his farming operation or home was on display. The theme for this year's big event was "Food, Energy and Your Future." Scores of demonstrations and educational exhibits were

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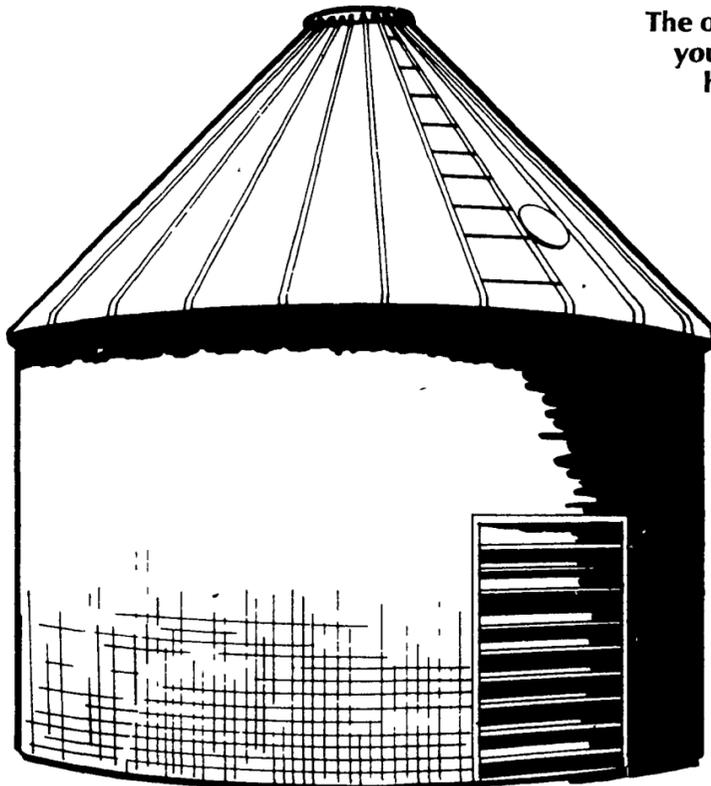
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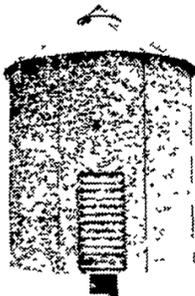
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