

Mellinger receives Hall of Fame award

LANCASTER - Ernest H. Mellinger, R2, Quarryville has been named recipient of the Hall of Fame award by Hoffman Seeds, Inc. The presentation by the Landisville seed company was made at Sherwood Knoll Dining Room recently, during the firm's annual sales conference. Mellinger is a Lancaster County sales representative for Hoffman. The presentation was made by Robert W. Adams, Hoffman District manager, for "outstanding contributions in sales and service" during the past year.

Of the more than 500 company seed men in 13 states, only 31 have met the qualifications to receive this coveted award. The recipient receives an engraved plaque, and his photograph is hung with those of other winners in the special Hall of Fame display at company headquarters in Landisville.



Ernest H. Mellinger, Quarryville R2, right, receives Hall of Fame Award from Robert W. Adams, Hoffman Seeds, Inc., Landisville.



Earl G. Martin, Ephrata R2, swept the tractor driving contests at the Ephrata Fair on Tuesday evening.

Martin tractor driving champ

EPHRATA - For the second time in two years, Earl G. Martin, Ephrata R2, walked away with two trophies in the adult tractor driving contest held at the Ephrata Fair. This year the 34-year-old Ephrata R2 farmer racked up only 55 points to win the standard tractor driving contest. He also took the championship title in the two-hitch backing contest revitalizing a winning streak he had going for two years then lost last year. This year eight contestants competed.

Runner-up to Martin in both events was Harvey Sauder, New Holland R1, a former county and state plowing champion.

In the tractor driving contest, Thomas Zartman, Ephrata R1, was third, and Clark Stauffer, also Ephrata R1, fourth.

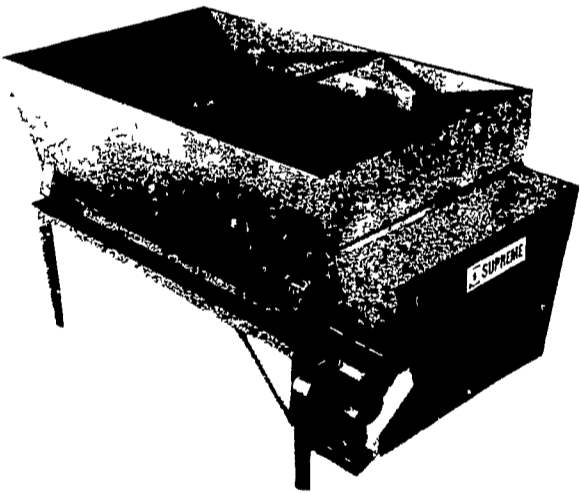
Stauffer was the second runner-up in the two-hitch backing event, with Phil Leininger, Denver R2, placing fourth.

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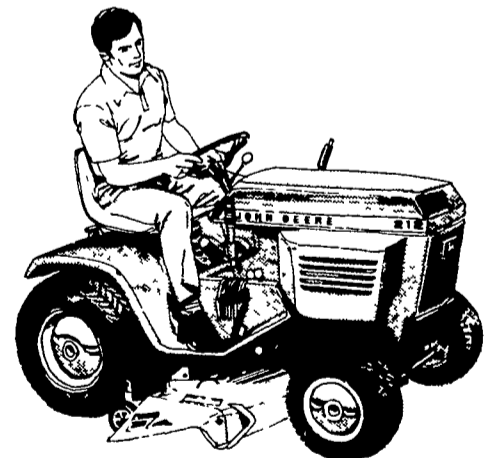
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