



Regional dealers hold conference

Tom Yohe, second from left, of C. B. Hooper & Son, Inc., the International Harvester Agriculture Equipment dealer in Intercourse, gets together with fellow Northeast Region delegates, Northeast Region Manager, David Williams, center; and Phillip Hammond, far left, Dealer Council president, during the ninth annual National Conference for IH dealers held in Chicago, Ill. The other Northeast Region delegates are Rey Browning (fourth from left), Whitmore & Arnold, Purcellville, Va. and Charles Hamburg, H. B. Duvall, Inc., Frederick, Md. The annual conference, a forum for communication between the IH dealers and the company, was attended by 50 dealer delegates and company representatives from six regions in the U.S.

Farm Business News

Offers new vehicle detector

MIDDLETOWN — With more and more crime in farm areas reported every day, the PFA Members' Service Corporation, Middletown, introduces a new security detection device that warns farmers and rural home owners in advance when someone drives a car, truck, or van in their lane or driveway.

Labeled the Cartell Vehicle Detector, the new protective system forms an invisible sphere of sensitivity across the driveway to announce vehicles that approach the farm or residence.

The control unit can be placed in the barn, house or other farm buildings up to two miles away from the concealed sensing probe buried along the driveway.

When the probe reacts to the moving vehicle, barn or pole lights turn on. Bells ring. Secret warnings are given.

J. Wesley Haer, manager, said farmers worry about burglars. With the gas lines and the great increase in fuel prices, many farmers are regularly "ripped off" by thieves who back up to the farm fuel supply and help themselves to gasoline.

"Arsonists also cause constant fear for farmers," Haer said.

In addition to farm protection, the vehicle detector can be used to announce customers at farm markets, drive-in windows or service stations. A farmer with mechanical aptitude can install these units. A free planning guide to help create a do-it-yourself system is available from PFA.

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Given plant protection rights

WARMINSTER — A certificate of protection was granted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture to W. Attlee Burpee Co. of Warminster for its new variety, Happy Red marigold.

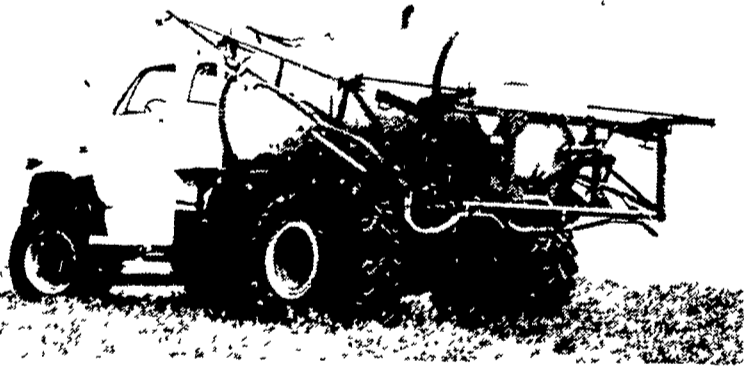
P.R. Smith, assistant secretary of agriculture, said, the W. Attlee Burpee Co. will have exclusive right to reproduce their new variety of marigold in the United States for 17 years. The certificate was granted after a review of the breeder's records and claims that their new variety was novel, uniform and stable.

The plant variety protection which grants the certificates is administered by USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service and provides legal protection to developers of new and distinctive seed-reproduced plants ranging from farm crops to flowers.



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