

## Two Ephrata youth win safety awards

EPHRATA — Tractor and farm machinery safety awards were presented to two members of the Ephrata Junior High School Agriculture Club for outstanding achievement in farm machinery operation.

The top two recipients tied for 1st place trophies. They were Tim Lintz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Lintz of 413 West View Drive, Akron, and Russell Ackley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ackley of R1 Lititz.

Both of these individuals attained a score of 60 points in the performance test on skilful and safe operation of farm machinery. The low score wins, with zero being perfect. Operator fault points have been known to go well over 1000. These students also scored high in the written tests on tractor safety and farm machinery safety. Equipment used in the performance test was provided by the Adamstown Equipment Company.

The winning trophies were sponsored by the Ephrata Area Adult Farmers Association. Vice president, Gerald Martin of R1 Ephrata, made the

presentation at the school awards assembly. Gerald stated, "Farming is the second most hazardous occupation and the EAYFA is interested in promoting and recognizing farm safety."

Ten students successfully

completed the tractor and farm machinery safety course offered by the agriculture department in Ephrata Junior High School. They were awarded tractor and farm machinery safety certificates. This certificate

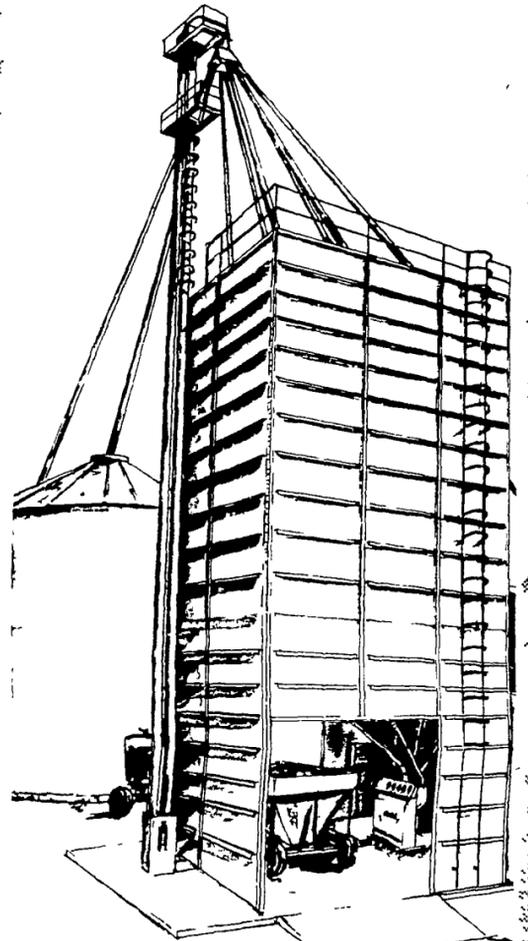
is required by the U.S. Department of Labor for 14-16 year old youth to qualify for employment that involves operating certain farm machinery for an employer other than the youth's parents.



Receiving tractor safety awards recently were from left: Tim Lintz and Russell Ackley. Gerald Martin presented the award.

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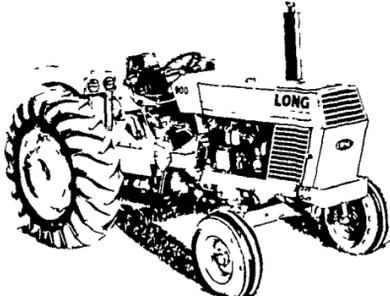
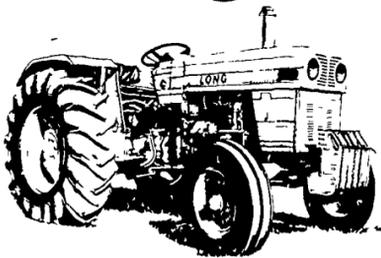
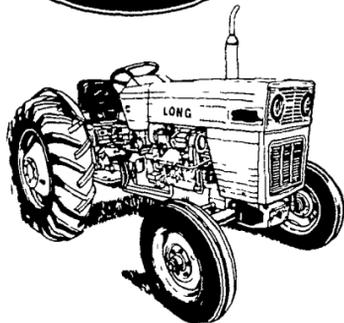
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