

Multi-million dollar plant expansion

SHIREMANSTOWN — The Ralston Purina recently completed a multi-million dollar expansion and renovation at its Harrisburg Chow plant.

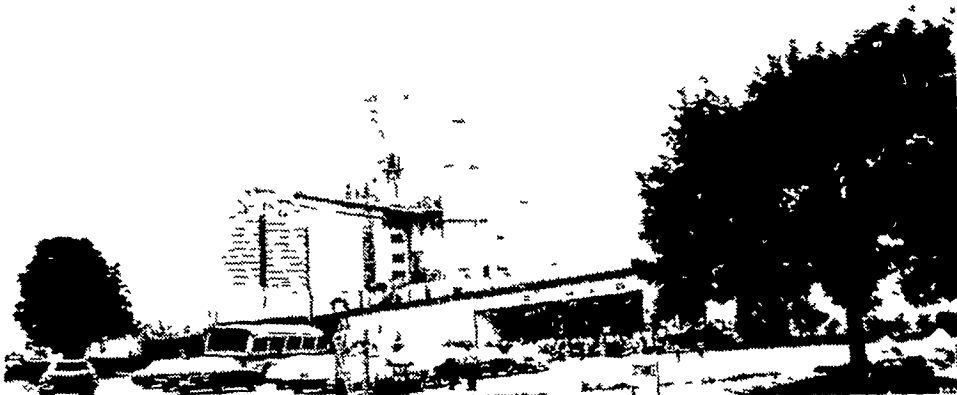
A new Toledo computerized batch mixing system was installed. This new mixing system along with 13 new K-tron feeders, and a program controller now give Harrisburg the capacity to have ingredient accuracy to within one-tenth of a period.

To improve efficiency and insure quality, a completely new grain receiving station was built. A new automatic grain probe was installed and each grain shipment is checked before it is unloaded.

John Zerbe, director of operations at the Harrisburg Chow plant, said the manufacture of high quality feeds with cost efficient computerized milking equipment will allow Harrisburg Chow plant to produce high quality Purina Chows and give value to their Purina customers.



Improved bulk feed loading facilities enables Harrisburg to load two tank trucks at the same time - as many as 200 trucks per day are loaded with Purina Chows bound for poultry and livestock feeders, most of whom are within a 200 mile radius of Harrisburg.



Dealers from the North Atlantic Sales Area had the opportunity to tour Purina's Harrisburg Chow plant. Harrisburg is now one of the top tonnage plants within the Ralston Purina Company — the world's largest manufacturer of livestock and poultry feeds.

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Dealers see new machinery



A new series of planters and cultivators were unveiled to Northeastern International Harvester Dealers at the York County Fair Grounds. Included in the opening were the 800-series planters and the 183 cultivator line. Here a number of dealers get their first look at the planter line.

Regional Jr. Angus show to be held at Timonium

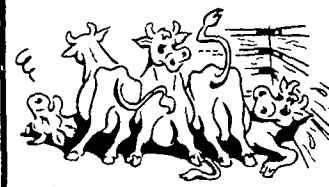
WOODBINE, Md. — Young cattle breeders from all over the East will be exhibiting their Angus cattle at the Maryland State Fairgrounds in Timonium on July 5.

The show is sponsored by the Northeast Junior Angus Association and has been designated the "Star Spangled Classic", in honor of the date and proximity to the Star Spangled City.

There have been 141 heifers entered from

Maryland, Virginia, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Connecticut and Rhode Island. Judge is Gary Minish of Virginia Polytechnic Institute.

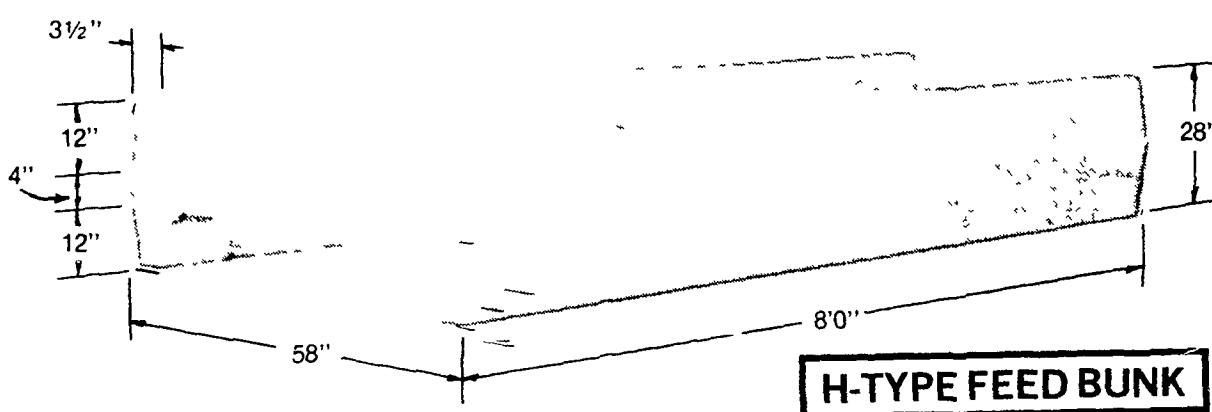
The show will begin at 8:30 a.m. in the Cow Palace. The public is invited to watch. There is no admission charge and lunch will be available on the grounds.



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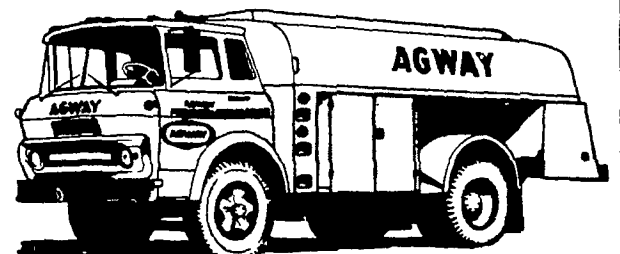
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