

The Sperry New Holland Model 426 baler is available in both wire and twine tie versions.

New baler announced

NEW HOLLAND — A new 16x18-inch heavy-duty baler from Sperry New Holland is designed for commercial and large acreage hay producers. Designated the Model 426, the new machine offers improved durability in both feeder and knoter areas. A Flow-Action feeding system is standard.

The bales produced by the "426" handle and store well. They provide a more useful weight to bulk ratio that's important for shipping hay over extended distances.

Heavy-duty knotters and twistors provide consistently

dependable tying. The knotters of twine-type "426" balers are hard-surfaced at all wear points. The bill hook cam on the knoter frame is hardened steel and replaceable. Hardened spacer washers have been added between the bill hook pinion and knoter frame, and the bill hook tongue roller is made of hardened steel.

Engine drive versions of the new "426" are powered by a 56HP V465D Wisconsin engine. PTO models are equipped with a 90HP drive line so large tractors can be used.

ABS promotes Babonis

DE FOREST, Wisc. — Gerald D. Babonis has been promoted to the position of Regional Sales Manager for American Breeders Service.

In his new position, Babonis will be responsible for his company's sales activities throughout 11 Northeastern states.

Babonis holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science from Cornell University and a Masters in Physiology of Reproduction from the University of Connecticut.

After graduation, Babonis joined ABS as a Representative in Cumberland County. Three years later he was promoted to District Sales Manager for Northeastern Pennsylvania and parts of New Jersey and New York states. He later served in this same capacity in the New England district.

During his tenure as District Manager, he won several awards for his performance in sales



Gerald Babonis

management.

Babonis will establish a regional office in Keene, New Hampshire where he, his wife Helen, and two daughters reside.

Brown Swiss bulls classified

TUNKHANNOCK — The Brown Swiss bulls at Sire Power, Inc., Tunkhannock were recently classified by M. B. Sowerby, official classifier.

9B62 Bridge View Jubilation was checked and remained at an Excellent rating. Jubilation is a popular sire with +1561 PDM - .09% +51f +\$194 with 31% repeatability. His type proof is outstanding at +1.6 PDT with 45% repeatability.

Ranked as a new Excellent bull is 9B58 Top-Acres Modern Galaxy, being raised from VG (86). Galaxy

is a high-producing All-American dam. His proof is +1075m +.03% +47f +\$154 with 60% repeatability.

One first time classification result was 9B65 Oak Forest Jake at VG (85). JAKE is an E E Beautician King son who is being sampled through the Young GOLD Sire Program.

All other Brown Swiss bulls were classified as follows: 9B59 Rolling View All Plus, GP (84); 9B60 Mort Modern Click, VG (85); 9B63 Johann Proud Banner, VG (86); and 9B64 Golden Dawn Elegant Masterkey, VG (87).



Participating in Chemgro's annual meeting held at the Good 'n Plenty Restaurant, Lancaster, Nov. 23, were from left: Steve Fisher, area representative for FMC Inc.; Jack Biedeman, CIBA-GEIGY; Buford Gunkle, salesman for Chemgro; Harry Breneman, Agrico Chemical Company, Tulsa, Okla.; Woody Funk, Chemgro president; and Jim Bowersox, Chemgro sales manager.

Chemgro holds annual meeting in Lancaster

LANCASTER — One hundred eighty-eight farmers and guests gathered at the Good 'n Plenty Restaurant, Lancaster, on Nov. 23, for Chemgro Fertilizers annual dinner meeting.

Chemgro president Woody Funk reported on Agcom, a new computerized soil test recommendation system recently installed by the company. With this system, Chemgro will receive soil test results overnight, and all recommendations are based on local soil types and manure applications.

"We will be offering the most accurate soil test results and recommendations available," Funk said.

Funk also presented the results of Chemgro's annual Club 200

contest which is open to all customers striving for a 200 bushel yield on a five acre plot. This year's winner was Titus Hoover, Neffsville.

Steve Fisher, representing FMC Corp., gave a slide presentation on insect control in corn, alfalfa and tobacco. Fisher reported on the 1983 Furadan test plots and accented his program with the company's Furadan Man film.

A presentation on weed control in corn, soybeans and alfalfa was given by Jack Beideman of CIBA-GEIGY. He also reported on Prime Plus, a new product for sucker control on tobacco.

Jim Bowersox, Chemgro sales manager, presented a slide show on some newly developing weed problems due to minimum tillage

and lack of crop rotation. He related root systems and growth characteristics to control recommendations for Hemp Dogbane, thistles, bindweed, milkweed, shattercane, Johnsongrass, triazine resistant redroot and lambsquarters.

Bowersox also discussed the proper application of fertilizer to increase efficiency and plant food retention. He closed with many points for using sulfur and magnesium in starter and broadcast fertilizers and the benefits to the farmer.

Throughout the afternoon, the speakers were interrupted by Buford Gunkle, Chemgro's comical farmer customer from the Welsh Mountains who was played by Tom Giesmann.

ABS picks 2 bulls

Elevation Jason, +\$232, +1,903M and +60BF and **Ev-Wal Lucky Print Glory**. His dam has production records to 24,624 lbs. of milk, with a Cow Index of +1,811M. She is classified GP-83 and is sired by Lime-Valley Lucky Print.

Pen-Col Daman-ET, bred by

William and Carolyn Pettit, Vincentown, N.J. is sired by I-O-State Chief Ford, +\$261, +2,352M and +59BF and Pen-Col Wayne Deena. His dam has production records to 28,658 lbs. of milk, with a Cow Index of +2,517M. She is classified VG-85 and is sired by Wayne-Spring Fond Apollo.

Deere announces 3 choppers

MOLINE, Ill. — John Deere has introduced three new forage harvesters with exclusive convenience features to simplify operation while improving productivity. These features include:

Spout-Trak, a system which keeps the spout on target, blowing material into the wagon through turns and around contours. In an automatic sweep mode, Spout-Trak cycles the spout back and forth, left and right, to help build evenly filled loads in the wagon.

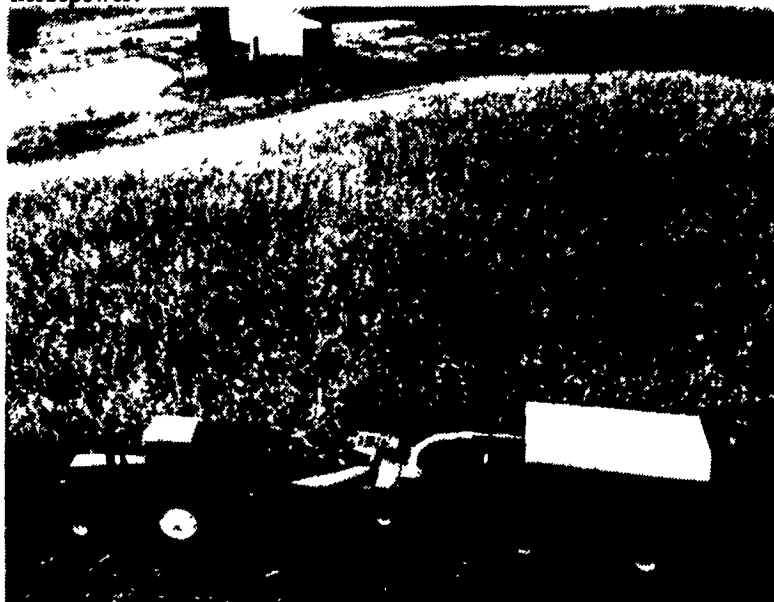
Row-Trak, a guidance system which keeps the harvester on the row even though the tractor strays as much as a row width off course. It holds the harvester on track down crooked rows and through turns.

Iron-Gard, a new metal detection system, helps protect the harvester's cutterhead from the damage that could be caused by ingesting metal. When pieces of metal are detected in the material flowing toward the cutterhead, Iron-Gard stops the feedrolls. The operator then reverses the feedrolls, stops the tractor and removes the metal before starting the tractor and continuing the harvesting operation.

In addition to the new features, the three new forage harvesters offer all of the features which have made John Deere Powr-Mizers so popular. These include Dura-Drum cutterhead for a uniform cut, the quick-adjust stationary knife adjustment and built-in knife and the two-speed fan for conserving horsepower.

The new models include the 36-knife model 3950 and 48-knife 3970, both with 18-inch diameter cutterheads, and the 40-knife 4720 with 24-inch diameter cutterhead.

New John Deere 3950 and 3970 Forage Harvesters will be available during the early spring of 1984; the 4720 will be available in the late fall of 1984.



New John Deere forage harvesters have features to boost production while making operation easier.