

Silo unloader re-new kit listed

FORT ATKINSON, Wisc. — Butler Livestock Systems recently introduced the Volumaster Unloader Re-New Kit. It allows farmers to upgrade the performance of their Butler/Jamesway Volumatic II

and III silo unloaders to that of the new Volumaster system, without paying for parts they don't need.

"It's the first time farmers have been offered a kit that replaces only parts subject to wear and at the same time it really improves

unloader performance," remarked Gene Kapsner, marketing services manager. "As a result, a farmer can save up to 50% by installing the Re-New Kit instead of buying a complete unloader. Savings depend on what may need

replacing in the silo, but the least a farmer could expect to save is 25%."

With the Re-New Kit, Butler has taken into consideration the fact that many unloader parts, such as the motors, collector ring, support ring and arms, rarely wear out. Instead, it replaces such hard-working parts as the blower,

auger, auger shroud and discharge chute, which face corrosive silage acids and high abrasion.

An inspection of the existing unloader, including the hexapod and unloader suspension system, determines specifically which components need to be replaced. The actual installation usually

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England gets Inter-State post

SOUTHAMPTON — Laura E. England has been named Manager of Public Relations of Inter-State Milk Producers' Cooperative, Dr. Paul E. Hand, General Manager, announced recently.

In her new position, Ms. England will serve as editor of the "Pennmarva" magazine, the cooperative's monthly publication. She will also be responsible for directing and coordinating all programs of public relations for InterState and will assist in developing programs and activities with the Manager of Member Relations.

A native of Williamsburg, Ms. England grew up on a dairy farm where her family owns 300 acres and milks 150 Holsteins. She is a 1983 graduate of Penn State, receiving a bachelor's degree in agricultural sciences with an emphasis in journalism.

At Penn State, Ms. England was editor of three college publications. She was a member of several College of Agriculture organizations, including the Penn

State Dairy Science Club, the Ag Student Council, the Collegiate FFA Chapter, Delta Theta Sigma fraternity, Alpha Tau Alpha and Coaly Society. All university organizations included Lion Ambassadors and Parmis Nous.

Ms. England was formerly employed by Lancaster Farming, one of the area's largest farm papers. An associate editor, she specialized in dairy news writing and reporting, as well as photography and editing.

Ms. England has been active in agriculture organizations and was the 1979 Blair County Dairy Princess. She is a former 4-H and FFA member, having received the FFA Keystone Farmer Degree in 1979. She recently was elected to a three-year term on Penn-State's College of Agriculture Alumni Society Board.

She resides in Bensalem.



Laura England



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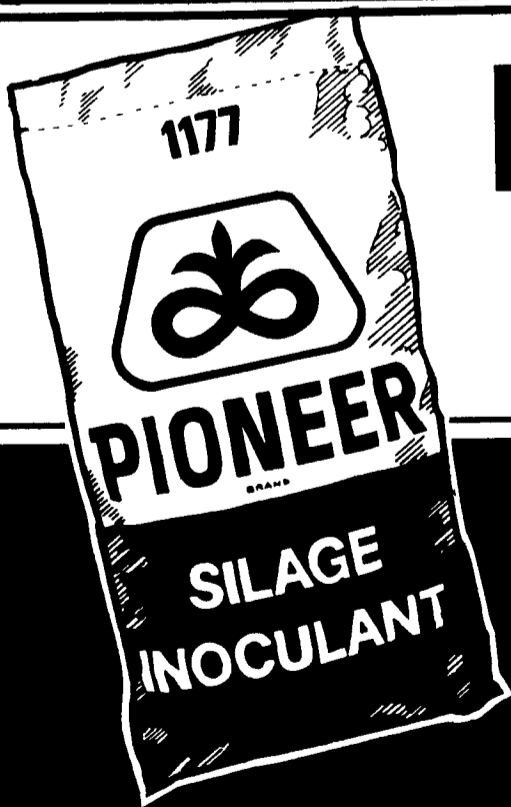
WASHINGTON, D.C. — Two cases of sheep scrapie were confirmed during August — one in Indiana and one in Wisconsin.

Jack R. Pitcher, staff veterinarian with USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, said earlier this month samples were taken from a 3-year old Suffolk ram in Huntington, Ind., and from a female in Green Lake, Wis., and sent to the National Veterinary Services Laboratories in Ames, Iowa, for testing. In both instances, scrapie was confirmed — on Aug. 14 for the Huntington sample and Aug. 20 for the sample from Green Lake.

Pitcher said those animals, along with any closely related animals will be destroyed and disposed of. He said the owners will be paid two-thirds the appraised value of the animals up to \$300.

"The 22 cases reported in this fiscal year beginning Oct. 1, 1983, through Aug. 20, 1984, have reached an all time high," Pitcher said. "We have not had as many reported cases since 1956 — and the year is not over yet."

Scrapie is a disease of sheep and goats that attacks the central nervous system. It has an extremely long incubation period, requiring 18 to 42 months or longer before clinical signs appear. It is nearly always fatal. Symptoms include poor condition, unsteady gait and rubbing or scratching to relieve intense itching.



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