

Armstrong Tire Wins Patent

NEW HAVEN, CT — Armstrong Tire Company's Hi-Traction Lug R-1 farm tire's performance characteristics have been awarded a patent by the U.S. Patent Office, according to Daniel A. Cutrone, director of marketing.

Cutrone explained that the drive-axle tire's ability to deliver improved traction, less vibration and lateral rocking and longer mileage won patent approval.

"We weren't the first on the market with a long-bar, short-bar lug tread design," said Cutrone. "But, the award of a patent on the Hi-Traction Lug tire's performance proves that we achieved our goal of introducing a tire that outperforms our competition."

Betty Wells, product manager, large equipment, explained that the Hi-Traction Lug has outperformed Armstrong's own popular Hi-Power Lug tire in traction, drawbar horsepower, field capaci-

ty and vibration. The patent on the Hi-Traction tire was awarded to Mrs. Wells, who designed it as an Armstrong engineer before transferring to the marketing department.

"We worked on this design for several years and ran extensive field testing on various designs before introducing the tire last winter," said Wells. "This has helped us to develop an open, curved lug design that provides excellent traction and cleaning."

The new tire also has a moisture-resistant nylon carcass and Armstrong's Agri-Tough

natural rubber compound which resists chips, cracks and cuts.

Each Hi-Traction Lug tire is sold with Armstrong's eight-year limited warranty on materials and workmanship and a five-year field hazard and stubble-damage warranty.

Market statistics show that Armstrong, in the farm tire business for over 40 years, is the second-largest supplier of farm and construction equipment replacement tires, third-largest in original equipment tires and No. 1 in tires for irrigation equipment.

Local Man Attends Case

IH Training Course

RACINE, WI — Donald Gehris, service specialist at Erb & Henry Equip., Inc. recently completed a 4½ -day training course at the Case/IH training center in Racine. The course emphasized the repair and servicing of Case/IH Axial Flow Combines.

This training program included information in hydraulics, drive

train, electrical and electronics, threshing and separating systems.

To sharpen their service skills, students performed hands-on testing and troubleshooting of the electrical and hydraulic systems. They also made adjustments to the headers and combine threshing and separating systems.

Case/IH offers a wide variety of training courses for dealer service specialists. Personnel from dealerships throughout North America take advantage of this training.

Donald Gehris has been with Erb & Henry Equip., Inc. for 16 years, specializing in combine and farm equipment set-up and repair. Erb & Henry Equip., Inc. offers complete Farm service of Case/IH farm equipment since 1898.

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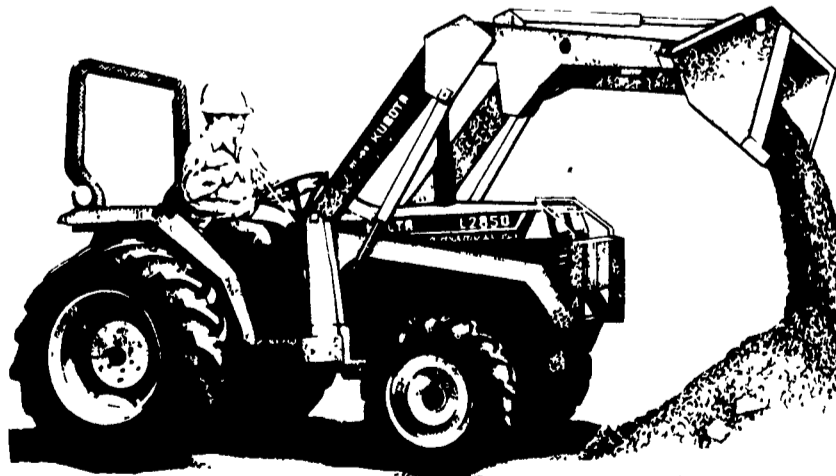
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