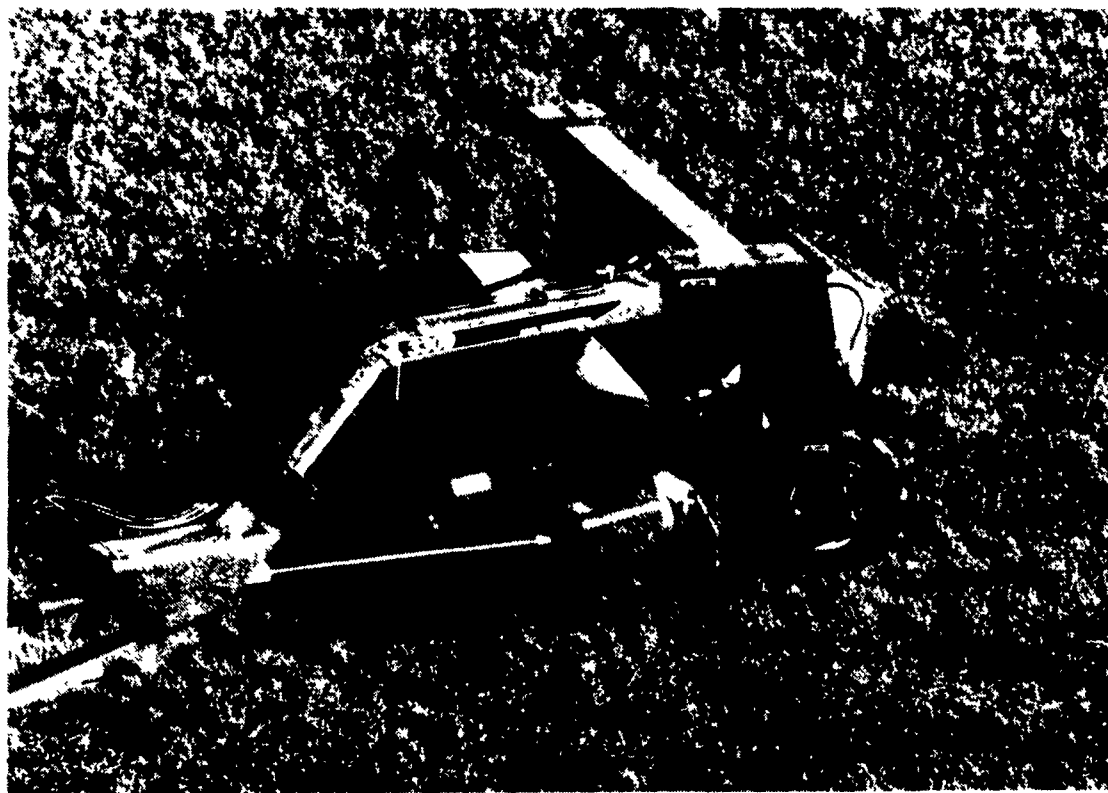


## Case IH Disc Mower Conditioner Cuts Tough Crops



The Model 3309 is the first disc mower conditioner in the Case IH line of hay and forage equipment. The Model 3309 features a shaft-driven cutterbar built with modular components for reduced maintenance and ease of service. Seven rotating discs cut through wet, tangled crops at top speed.

RACINE, WI — Case IH has introduced its first disc mower conditioner, the Model 3309. The Model 3309 features a shaft-driven cutterbar built with modular components and is designed to ensure easy serviceability and reduced maintenance.

The Model 3309 is equipped with seven oval rotating discs that provide a 9-foot, 3-inch wide cut through wet hay, tangled grass, ant hills and gopher mounds with virtually no plugging. The Model 3309 also can slice through heavily fertilized or high-yield crops at top operating speeds.

Each disc on the Model 3309 contains two free-swinging knives that spin at 2,924 rpm. Disc modules can be removed individually for maintenance without having to disassemble the entire bar.

Hay feeds directly into two, 84-inch long, precision-machined intermeshing ticor conditioner rolls. These rolls are made with wear resistant, cord-reinforced rubber for trouble-free conditioning. Adjustable swathing shields allow for windrow or swath widths from 30 to 84 inches.

Field productivity is increased with simple adjustments the operator can make from the tractor seat. When the header is raised, the conditioning rolls separate automatically to power slugs through the machine. Standard hydraulic tongue positioning improves field maneuverability and allows for easy transportation. In addition, a simple turnbuckle adjustment of the header tilt pro-

vides a wide range of cutting angles.

The header is suspended from the frame at three points, providing excellent flotation in both vertical and radial directions to deliver uniform cutting on uneven terrain.

A constant velocity driveline reduces vibration and chatter during sharp turns, resulting in increased reliability. All working components on the Model 3309 are driven from a single direct drive gearbox, further reducing

maintenance.

The Model 3309 disc mower conditioner should be operated with a tractor of at least 60 PTO horsepower. Case IH recommends that all shields and guards be kept in place during operation.

A 20-page, full-color catalog describing the entire Case IH mower conditioner line, including the Model 3309 disc mower conditioner and the new Models 8340 and 8360 mower conditioners, is available from Product Public Relations, Case IH, 700 State St., Racine, WI 53404.

### Auctioneering Firm Opens In Hatfield

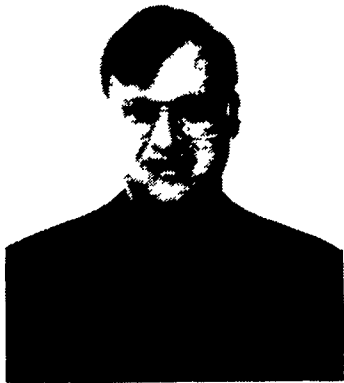
HATFIELD (Montgomery) — Ronald D. Freed has announced the opening of his new firm, Ronald D. Freed Inc. An auctioneer for 15 years, Freed formerly worked for Henry K. Freed & Sons.

Freed is a graduate of Reisch

Auctioneers College and is a member of the Lehigh Valley and Pennsylvania Auctioneers Association. He presently is alternate state representative.

Freed handles farm machinery, antiques, complete and partial estates, liquidations, coins, real estate, and appraisals.

For more information, contact Freed at 215/822-0157.



Ronald D. Freed

### W-L Alfalfa Takes Championship In PFCG Contest,

CAMP HILL (Cumberland) — W-L Alfalfas was the grand champ of alfalfas in the 1988 competition sponsored by the Pennsylvania Forage and Grassland Council. The winning variety, WL 316, was the entry of the Milton Hershey School Farm, Hershey, Dauphin County. Their record, a hay equivalent yield of 9.4 tons per acre, crude protein of 3408 pounds per acre, and TDN yield of 10,147 pounds per acre, also captured the number one slot in the Southeast Region of the competition.

W-L alfalfas won awards in the Central and Southwest Regions. David C. Hileman, Hilecrest Farm,

Tyron, Blair County, placed third in Region II with his WL 320 hay equivalent yield of 6.6 tons per acre, 2539 pounds per acre of crude protein, and 7122 pounds per acre TDN. C. Lee Caldwell, Beaver Falls, Beaver County, also captured a third-place award for Region III, with WL 313. His hay equivalent yield was 5.7 tons per acre, and crude protein and TDN yields were 1963 and 6429 pounds per acre respectively.

W-L Alfalfas are handled exclusively in the Northeast by Beachley Hardley of Camp Hill. W-L Alfalfa is a Bakersfield, Calif.-based company that produces alfalfa seed.



## BUSINESS NEWS...

### Holly Farms-ConAgra Merger Voted Down

MEMPHIS, TN — Holly Farms Corp. stockholders gave a thumbs down to a merger proposed by Holly managers with ConAgra Inc., according to a recent article by Associated Press. The merger was part of an effort by Memphis-based Holly Farms to fight off a \$1.5 billion takeover by Tyson Foods Inc. of Springdale, Ark.

A preliminary count showed that only 32.5 percent of stockholders voted in favor of the merger while 47.8 percent were against it. A two-thirds vote was needed to approve the merger.

Ted Bailey, a Holly Farms vice president, said his firm notified Omaha, Neb.-based ConAgra on Monday that the deal was off.

The merger agreement included a provision aimed at allowing ConAgra to purchase key Holly assets in the event the merger failed. This agreement remains in effect, though it has been blocked temporarily by Delaware Chancery Court on a challenge by Tyson. Also

blocked was another merger provision that would require Holly Farms to pay ConAgra \$15 million plus expenses if the deal failed.

A ConAgra official estimates the company's expenses for the merger attempt to be \$5 million.

The ConAgra merger, which would have made Holly Farms a ConAgra subsidiary, called for a \$1.1 billion stock swap worth about \$61 per share.

Through the asset-option agreement, about one-third of Holly's assets could be purchased by ConAgra at prices previously negotiated if Holly Farms is purchased by anyone else within the next nine months.

Tyson contends that the asset agreement was an illegal attempt to make Holly unattractive to other buyers.

Tyson, which offered Holly stockholders \$63.50 a share for their 18.1 million shares, is the nation's largest poultry processor.

### Agrolinz Wins Award At SWSSW Conference

NASHVILLE, TN — Agrolinz Inc., manufacturer and marketer of agricultural chemicals, has received the "Best Display" distinction at the 42nd annual Southern Weed Science Society conference, held earlier this year at the Opryland Hotel in Nashville.

"We appreciate the Southern Weed Science Society's recognition of our display, through which we tried to convey the solidity and strength of the agricultural industry," says Agrolinz President Dr. Hans Bodingbauer. "We appreciate the impact and the contribu-

tions of the Society on American agriculture, and are looking forward to its presence on shaping the course of future events."

Agrolinz, Inc., manufactures and markets under the trade names of SEE<sup>®</sup> 2,4-D and SEE<sup>®</sup> MCPA; Cuproxat<sup>®</sup> flowable fungicide, TOUGH<sup>®</sup> post-emergent broad-leaf herbicide, Lentagran<sup>®</sup> broad-leaf herbicide and Visiko-Rhap<sup>®</sup> drift control system. For information on Agrolinz, Inc., contact Don Spikes, 1755 N. Kirby Pkwy., Suite 300, Memphis, TN, 38119-4393, or call 901/756-4422.

### Lely Offers Wet Bale Wrapper

WILSON, NC — The Lely Corp. announces the "Wrap A Round" wet-bale wrapper. "This baler bypasses the drying process," stated Luke DeLange, president of Lely. Wrap A Round can be operated by one person from two single control valves and wrap a bale at 20 percent to 70 percent moisture levels in only two minutes. Once wrapped in the airtight seal, the bale is safely stored and the haylage process is underway.

Ed Culler, Lely product manager, pointed out that the Lely Wrapper is the only American-manufactured wet-bale wrapper; and once wrapped, the nutritional value of silage is top grade; rot and mold are practically eliminated in this airtight wraparound process.

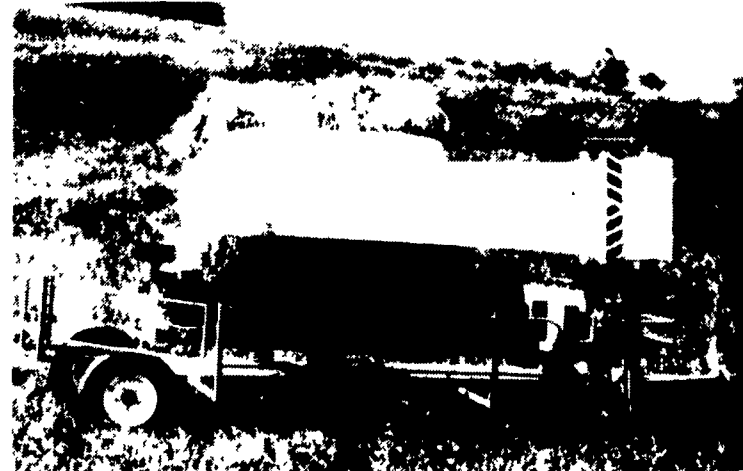
Lely's Wrap A Round can run off a tractor's hydraulics or an optional power pack. The individually wrapped bales are easily moved and unwrapped for feeding an excellent quality silage. "Our cows love this stuff. It keeps its

quality through to spring," stated dairy farmer Joe Kerber. "Within the first week...our pounds of milk increased by 150 pounds, and butterfat and protein went up also."

Culler revealed the Wrap A Round system has wrapped hundreds of thousands of bales in the

United Kingdom. Lely will market the Lely Wrap A Round in the U.S. and Canada. Dealer inquiries are welcome. For further information contact Ed Culler.

The Lely Corporation, Box 1060, Wilson, NC 27894-1060. Phone 919/291-7050.



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