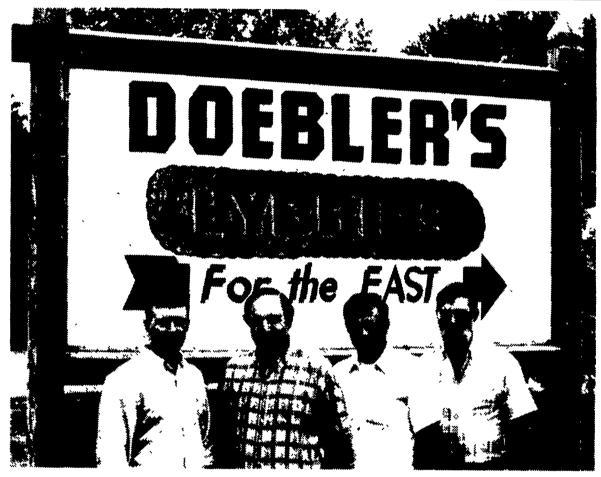
Doebler's Corn Champs

THESE SUPER SINGLES WIN THE GOLD IN 3-YR TRIALS.

By Ted Doebler



I'm Ted Doebler, second from left, with the hands-on managers of Doebler's. They are, from left, my son Taylor, who heads the hybrid nursery; my son-in-law Willard Jones, Doebler's sales VP; and my nephew Bill Camerer, research VP.

It was plain boring at our annual planning session this winter. So I suggested we cut the research budget.

Bill, Willard and Taylor took the bait. They reminded me a Doebler early hybrid didn't break the 100 bushel barrier until 1964.

"Compare that to the new champs," they insisted.

To pick them, the best five yields of every Doebler hybrid were totaled for each of three years. Either 1990-91-92 or 1989-90-91. Then the champs were selected by averaging the Top 15 yields.

I was surprised. Really. Five champs shelled over 200 bushels last fall and a 97-day champ hit 210.5 bu. in 1991.

Research budget wasn't cut, of course. Never will be.

Silage leaders in 1992 trials

A cool fall and a late maturing crop kayoed tonnage in our silage trials but quality was surprisingly good. Here are our 1992 winners:

FULL SEASON -- Two hybrids repeat here. Doebler 944-3 way chopped top yield. 64XP close.

MEDIUM MATURITY — 75X again No. 1 for tons, TDN, protein. 75XMODII, 75XP, 66XP, 64XP, 61X and 650A-3 just pounds behind.

EARLY HYBRIDS - These stood out: 59X, 505A, 370A-3 way, 35XP and 29XA.

How champs run up yields

DOEBLER 84XP, 118 days. Growers keep coming back for more. Great standup. Super disease resistance. Top 15 average 1990-92: 194.1 bu. 1992 best: 200.9 bu.

DOEBLER 75X, 113 days. PA's all-time corn champ. And our best seller. Big ears. Sturdy stalks. Top 15 average 1990-92: 205.8 bu. 1992 best: 212.9 bu. at Ephrata, Pa.

DOEBLER 69XP, 105 days. Ideal as early corn in full season country. Great stalks. Shrugs off disease. Top 15 average 1990-92: 205.8 bu. 1992 best: 242.0 bu. at Millsboro, DE.

DOEBLER 57XP, 97 days. Sturdy stalk. Fairly long ears. Top 15 average 1989-91: 183.7 bu. 1991 best: 210.5 bu. at Jersey Shore, Pa.; NY best: 182.4 bu. at Sherburne, NY.

DOEBLER 45XP, 92 days. Amazing yields for an early corn. Top 15 average for 1989-91: 172.2 bu. 1991 best: whopping 192.5 bu. in Rensselaer county, NY test; 190.4 bu. at Madrid, NY.



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