

(Continued from Page A1)

pay off — he said that work to get a vote in the U.S. Senate for corn growers, as related to ethanol as a fuel additive, came down to a tie, all because of work done earlier to convince a certain Senator about the importance of ethanol use.

The tie was broken in favor of corn growers by Vice President Al Gore, who presides over the U.S. Senate. Wagner said the key, however, was the fact that it took lobbying efforts to first achieve the tie.

The Farm Bill negotiations are mixed and Wagner said that, among others, goals sought for corn growers are for flexibility in the new Farm Bill, to allow planting for markets and not support programs, and to create a seven-year weaning program to eliminate support programs that would coincide with a seven-year budget balancing transition. (In later remarks he said dairy objectives include eliminating the milk-check assessment that was part of the budget reconciliation act.

Among the political things of which producers should be aware is the fact that production farmers represent less than 2 percent of the

voting citizenry and that representation is decreasing, therefore requiring more strength from representative organizations and more of a solid agreement within the industry.

However, no matter what, he said that change is coming.

In effect, what Wagner said was that political maneuvering is holding up progress on effectively dealing with a Farm Bill.

He said that with Sen. Richard Lugar, Sen. Bob Dole and others running for president, as well as President Clinton running for reelection, and the differences between Senate and House Republicans over the budget and Farm Bill, "We have a mix of scenarios we've never seen before."

Some of the problem has been attempts to ram through legislation without opportunity for debate by not only other legislators of both parties, but also without allowing review and comment by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

And, while some are making efforts to extend the 1990 Farm Bill, the National Corn Growers can't support extending the program, because changes are sought and it's too close to planting. People have to know what to expect

before they start putting seeds into the ground, that what is done won't hurt them for making decisions amid indecision and political positioning by the nation's legislators.

The extremism of the so-called freshman Republicans and the unyielding, irrational or even childish actions of some of those in political power in Washington is somewhat unnerving, according to Wagner.

"In all the years, I don't believe I've seen people dug in so hard and so firm as on this issue," he said of the budget the Farm Bill and those issuing positions.

And while, Wagner said that Sen. Lugar introduced into the Senate a proposal called the Agricultural Market Transition Program (the new Farm Bill) that would have sweeping changes, Wagner said he didn't think it would pass.

"Right now I don't think it will pass the Senate, and the President will veto it as it stands," Wagner said.

Sen. Bob Dole said he didn't think he could get it put on to a continuing resolution, according to Wagner.

Also, Wagner said that from the corn and grain growers' perspective, the Farm Bill needs to be

settled now. "They start harvesting wheat about May 10 in Texas," he said, and producers need to know where they stand.

Or else, without a Farm Bill or an extension, he said the program would automatically revert to 1948 Farm Bill provisions which would include a parity payment for wheat and the price would go to \$7 per bushel — an unlikely scenario.

Wagner said that if the most recent proposal is not passed and the nation's politicians can't resolve the issue, Dan Glickman, the USDA secretary, is pushing for the extension of the 1990 Farm Bill, which Wagner said is unacceptable to corn growers.

If an extension of the '90 Farm Bill is done, Wagner said he didn't expect any participants in Ohio, as the high price of corn is expected to cause more people to plant corn and more on land that had been included under the Conservation Reserve Program under the Farm Bill. Which could very well mean increased problems with soil erosion in some areas.

He said the political position on

the Farm Bill in Washington is "changing almost hourly."

Feb. 26 is the target date for passing legislation to change the federal government's debt limit. Wagner said, "My guess is (a Farm Bill) will be attached to that bill."

Some others say "no," Wagner said, unless there is some "tweaking" of loan rates and more money for rural development.

Wagner said that with \$3.50 per bushel corn, and with 1994 production being a record and no carryover into 95 that wasn't used, and because of increased uses thanks to research efforts of the the corn check-off, there is going to be a need for corn.

However, the position of the corn growers is to establish a stable market. "Our philosophy is we'd rather have \$2.85 corn year after year, than \$3.50 one year and \$1.50 the next."

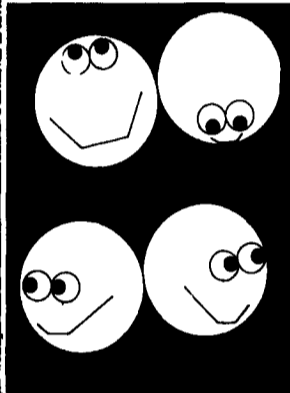
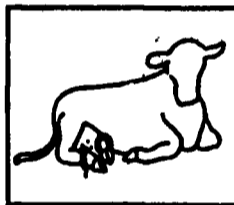
He urged the audience to go home and write to their federal representatives and to say, "We support (Senate Bill 1541 and House Bill 2854), and we need them as an industry."

THE END OF TEAT INJURY



"NO SECRETS"
The "TEAT SAVER"
pushes the udder & teat away from the dew claw. Apply two weeks prior to freshening.

This product can be purchased at your local Farm Stores or Feed Mills or by contacting your local animal health centers.



DON'T LOOK ANY FURTHER!
YOU'LL FIND IT IN LANCASTER FARMING'S CLASSIFIEDS

DEALER INQUIRIES WELCOME!

The "TEATSAVER" supplied by J.B. Supply Ltd. Chetek Wisconsin 54728 For information Phone 1-800-535-8271

ZIMMERMAN MFG. CORP.

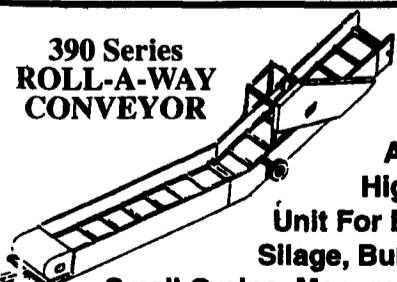
125 King Court/
Hollander Rd.
New Holland, PA 17557
(717) 354-9611

Contact Us For Literature Or The Dealer Nearest You!

880 SERIES PORTABLE BALE ELEVATOR & MOW CONVEYOR SYSTEM



390 Series ROLL-A-WAY CONVEYOR

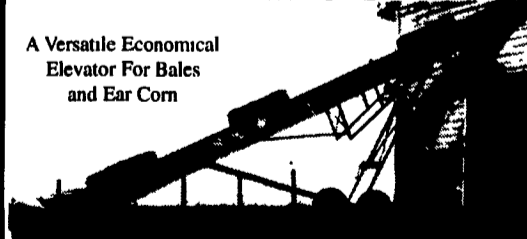


This is A Rugged High Speed Unit For Ear Corn, Silage, Bulk Feeds, Small Grains, Manure or Bales

ZIMMERMAN WAGON GEAR
Rugged, Heavy Duty
Models 6, 8, 10 • 12, 14.5 Tandem

380 SERIES PORTABLE ELEVATORS

A Versatile Economical Elevator For Bales and Ear Corn



WELL BALANCED, RUGGEDLY BUILT FOR MANY YEARS OF TROUBLE FREE SERVICE

UTILITY TRAILERS FRT SERIES



Available in 5000 Thru 10,000 GVW. Other Models 3000 to 24,000 GVW Also Available

A FULL LINE OF FANS Including Efficient Belt-Drive Exhaust Fans and Portable Circulating Fans



MILLER DIESEL, INC.

FUEL INJECTION & TURBO SPECIALIST

6030 JONESTOWN ROAD, HARRISBURG, PA 17112
(717) 545-5931 • 1 (800) 296-5931

Since 1957



AGRICULTURAL / INDUSTRIAL

Diesel Fuel Injection Pumps, Injectors & Turbos

SALES AND SERVICE

Ambac Int'l
Bendix
Bryce
Caterpillar
Cummins
Detroit Diesel-GMC
Diesel Kiki-Zexel
I.H.C.

Lucas Cav
Nippondenso
Robert Bosch
Roosa Master
Simms
Stanadyne
Yanmar

EXCHANGE UNITS HEAVY DUTY APPLICATIONS

Allis Chalmers Iveco
Case John Deere
Caterpillar Mack
Cummins Massey Ferguson
Deutz Mercedes
Fiat-Allis Onan
Ford Perkins
General Motors Waukoha
Hercules White Farm
I.H.C. Etc.

TURBOCHARGERS

Airesearch
Cummins
Holset
Schwitzer
Automotive

CENTRAL WAREHOUSE DISTRIBUTOR
FPFF
FUEL ADDITIVES

DIESEL ENGINE TUNE-UPS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

DAILY UPS SHIPPING

LOCATED OFF INTERSTATE 81 EXIT 26

"We're proud to be part of a financially sound cooperative. Atlantic does its best to get the greatest return from the marketplace."

—Jeff Moore
Centreville, MD



ADC Is the Place To Be

Financial stability and the greatest return from the marketplace — the outstanding benefits that Jeff Moore refers to — are among the strengths of the premier dairy cooperative in the region.

Atlantic Dairy Cooperative has a 78-year history of excellent service to its members. Financially strong, ADC guarantees a market for all member milk and excels in maximizing returns. ADC is a leader in providing equity payments, quality bonuses and over-order premiums to members.

Nearly 4,000 dairy farmers agree that "ADC is the Place to Be."

For free information on how you can secure the future of your dairy farm operation, write or call:

Atlantic Dairy Cooperative
1225 Industrial Highway
Southampton, PA 18966
1-800-645-MILK

