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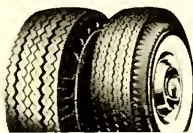
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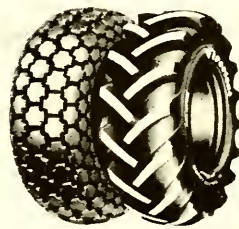
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OUR COVER—This is a scene that is familiar to thousands of Future Farmers . . . the annual Parent and Son Banquet, where FFA members pay tribute to those who support and encourage their efforts, especially parents. Artist Harold Anderson presents this version in a painting that also will be used on the cover of the 1963 Official FFA Calendar.

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BONNIE RAILER



Trophies and ribbons by the score have been won by Bonnie, Kenneth and Kathryn Railer.



KATHRYN RAILER



KENNETH RAILER

Grand Championships collected by young folks at Lone Valley Farm

With their expert fitting and skillful handling of registered Suffolk sheep, Bonnie, Kenneth and Kathryn Railer have carried trophies and ribbons by the score to Lone Valley Farm, near Hanover, Michigan.

Bonnie, who has served as 4-H Club president, secretary and reporter, has brought home eight Grand Championships, four Reserve Grand Championships and three Championships from state shows. In addition, she has shown four Champions and six Reserve Champions at the county fair.

Kenneth, carrying dairy projects simultaneously with his sheep projects, for two years, showed a Grand Champion ewe in the open class at Michigan State Fair. In the state 4-H Show and in the junior division of the state fair, he collected a total of four Grand Championships and three Reserve Grand Championships. He added fourteen Grand Championships and 11 Reserve Grand Championships in county competition. Kenneth has been president and reporter of his 4-H Club.

Kathryn, with only four years in 4-H work, has acquired one Championship in county competition.

Purina salutes the young folks on the farm of

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Railer for the work they've done . . . wishes them success for their future.



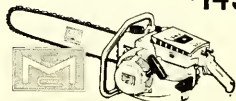
Research with sheep is a major project at the Danforth Farm Youth Center on the Purina Research Farm, Gray Summit, Missouri. The research is designed to help boys and girls prepare animals for showing. Thousands of young farm folks visit the Youth Center each year. Some come on regular farm trips, some with youth groups or judging teams. Ask your Purina Dealer for details on how you can visit the Danforth Farm Youth Center.



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Greenback, Tennessee

We always think of old friends and new friends at the close of a year. I have been very fortunate to have made so many new friends in 1961. Wish I could see every one of them and thank them personally for all their kindnesses. Best wishes for the coming year.

James I. Messler

You'll recognize this writer as the Star Farmer of America. Thanks, James Isaac, for your thoughtfulness.—Ed.

Crawfordsville, Indiana

"A Start From Scratch" in the December-January issue will encourage farm boys not to give up hope if they don't have a lot of money or land. I wish Herbert J. Sherman the best of luck in his future years of farming. I am a sophomore in high school and have received the Magazine for two years. Every boy and man should read it.

Robert Watson

Casey, Iowa

My father and I want to wish the new National Officers success in the coming year. He reads the Magazine, too. My soybeans for an FFA project last year were double-rowed and made 48 bushels per acre. I got 314 bushels from 6½ acres.

Bob Harris

Hope Mills, North Carolina

Our chapter is on the go this year with more than 50 Green Hands and a total enrollment of more than 90 members. This is an all-time high for Hope Mills. Mr. Albert E. Tolar, Jr., is our teacher. One of the things our chapter did was build a 200-foot-long set of bleachers for the football stadium.

Wayne Barnes

Quezon City, Philippine Islands

I get to read *The National Future Farmer* because my father is a subscriber. I know I'm luckier than other Philippine boys and girls. I wish they had this privilege, too.

Marglou L. Medrana

Kelso, Washington

Articles in the Magazine and the free booklets help me make reports and write themes at school. They are a wonderful source of information.

Mickey Todd

Albertson, North Carolina

Let's do something besides talk about getting the Magazine every month.

Phillip Grady

Fruitland, Idaho

Our chapter shared in a golden opportunity last fall when we went to Kansas City for the National FFA Convention. We wish more chapters could know about the things to be gained by such a trip. Our chapter had two state judging teams which took part in the 18-day journey. It was an experience we shall never be able to duplicate.

Milton Osgood

Milton enclosed a three-page report of the trip written by chapter reporter, Larry Lockner. One of the judging teams took part in dairy products judging, so Waterloo, Iowa, was on the itinerary. Other points of interest included Boys Town in Nebraska, packing plants in Iowa, dairy farms in Wisconsin, livestock farms in Illinois, the Mississippi River, and various stops in Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, and Wyoming.—Ed.

Yakima, Washington

All of the members of the Eisenhower Chapter receive *The National Future Farmer*. We are well pleased with the stories in each issue.

Steven Hill

Oviedo, Florida

The December-January issue was a pleasure to read, especially the coverage of the National Convention. I am not a member of the FFA, but I do enjoy the Magazine.

Michael Duda

Oakland, Iowa

I really enjoyed the article "The Easy Way" in the December-January issue.

James Coleman

Manderson, Wyoming

I like the articles on "History of the Breed."

Lyman Maxwell

West Lynn, Massachusetts

I am from the Essex Chapter and would like to receive the Magazine more often. It really helps Future Farmers.

Bill McDonald

Douglas, Arizona

Please send me the free booklets for my farm library. They will be greatly appreciated. I am a member of the Douglas FFA Chapter which recently won a Gold Emblem Award. My projects are a mare and colt and two feeder steers. I plan to expand these projects, as well as improvement projects and supplementary practices.

Johnny Gibbons

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THEY BUILT A STURDY WAGON FOR ONLY \$125!



They couldn't find the kind of wagon they needed at the price they wanted to pay, so W. E. Church and his son, B. E., built their own! Second-hand and discarded materials were used for the 24-foot chassis. Fir wood was used for the frame and bed, and 1½" double-strength steel tubing for the chassis. The axles and wheels are from an old Ford.

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Looking Ahead

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MILK IS SAFE FROM FALLOUT

Milk obtained from cows fed radioactive strontium is processed at the USDA's Beltsville, Maryland, experiment station at the rate of 100 gallons per hour. Tests for radioactivity show that as much as 98 percent of the contamination is removed. These experiments are part of a pilot program started two years ago—well before the current tide of concern about fallout.

PILLS FOR PLANTS?

Chances are the prescription won't read, "Take every hour," but farmers may be buying pills for their crops some day. University of Wisconsin soil scientists reported at the American Society of Agronomy meeting in St. Louis, Missouri, that plastic capsules slow down the release of fertilizer—spreading its effects over a longer time. This prevents an over-abundance of nutrients soon after application, and shortages later in the season.

PAY BOOST OF \$2,000 A YEAR

Cows in New England milking herds last about 3.5 years. If herd life could be increased to 5.5 years, one-tenth fewer replacements would be needed, states Dr. S. Weeks, of the University of New Hampshire. That would be the same as increasing output 10 percent, he adds. On a 40-cow herd, this may mean an improvement in net income of up to \$2,000 a year. Present replacement cost is \$50.00 per cow per year where the herd actually costs \$175 above the salvage return for cull cows.

NEW BUILDING PANELS DEVELOPED

USDA engineers have come up with an experimental wall panel made of a two-inch layer of plastic sandwiched between half-inch layers of reinforced Portland cement. They are not yet commercially available. These are 8x2-foot panels light enough (200 pounds) to be handled by two to three men. They are cast with holes for bolting them to wooden posts set eight feet apart in the ground. No special tools are needed for a one-story building.

AUTOMATION FOR ANY FARM JOB

The farmer was away four days—but his cattle were fed. A low-cost device triggered his silo unloader and it delivered silage down a chute to an auger connected with grain and supplement bins. Metered amounts of each went out to another auger that delivered the mixture to feed bunks. A dream? No, it actually happened, a speaker told stockmen at a Washington State University short course. He was describing a new mechanism developed by engineers at South Dakota State College that makes use of automatic sequence controls. It can automate everything from grain drying to cattle feeding.

HOEING WITH CHEMICALS AND FIRE

"Poor Old Joe! He's hung up his fiddle and bow, and now he's laying down his shovel and hoe." That's the poetic way Louisiana Extension men sum up modern cotton farming. Radio and TV replaced "Joe's bow," and chemicals and machinery are threatening the hoe, maybe the cultivator shovel, too. An estimated 65 percent of Louisiana cotton was treated with pre-emergence chemicals to control grass and weeds in 1961. That's material applied before the cotton came up. More than 30 percent was treated with post-emergence oil, after the cotton had come up. About 40 percent was flame cultivated later.



"EXTRA HAND" SERVICE AT WORK:

"That free 'loaner' kept 8 men from being held up 2 to 3 hours"

says Ray Baxter of Grand Island, Nebraska



▲ A TRACTOR TIRE BLOWOUT AT 10:30 A.M. means a half day's holdup at many farms. But this was corn-picking time, so Ray Baxter immediately radio-phonied his Goodyear dealer right from the field.

SO S CALLS LIKE THIS GET TOP PRIORITY from Lloyd Egbert, vice president of G. I. Tire Sales, Inc., in Grand Island. He always has a service truck ready with everything needed to service customers right where the trouble occurred.



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NATIONAL FFA WEEK focuses attention on the work of the FFA. You can make it more meaningful by trying some new ideas occasionally.

In Texas, 200 giant National FFA Week posters were put up by outdoor advertising companies last year—at no cost to the Texas Association of FFA. The State Association paid the cost of the paper and the postage only. A few other states have developed similar projects.

This year the Texas Association was asked to work with other state associations in developing nation-wide outdoor



Outdoor Advertising

**Big outdoor advertising poster with dates
and theme for National FFA Week in '62.**

advertising. It is planned that the national organization will handle the project after 1962.

An idea used by the West Plains, Missouri, FFA Chapter is to give blood to the local blood bank during National FFA Week. The idea was conceived by an FFA member whose life once depended on blood transfusions.

A "Dress Up Day" has been tried at Enterprise, Oregon, among other places. FFA members wear white shirts and ties with their FFA jackets. More than a few times people have asked what the occasion is. Well-informed Future Farmers can always give the answer.

Newspaper articles and special sections are good everywhere. Last year the members of four FFA chapters in the Lafourche Parish of Louisiana helped put out an entire tabloid edition of the *Lafourche Comet*. There were more than 150 photographs alone, dealing with FFA members, projects, teachers, classroom work, and other subjects.

Liberty Union FFA members in Ohio gave planters of flowers to all their high school teachers during National FFA Week last year. They made the planters from a plan their vo-ag teacher provided. Vines from a local flower shop added a finishing touch.

A banner across Main Street is one of the activities of the Colman Chapter in South Dakota. Another South Dakota chapter, Beresford, has tried a special FFA Week newsletter. Last year

NEW IDEAS FOR

FFA WEEK

120 copies went to parents, civic leaders, and others in the community.

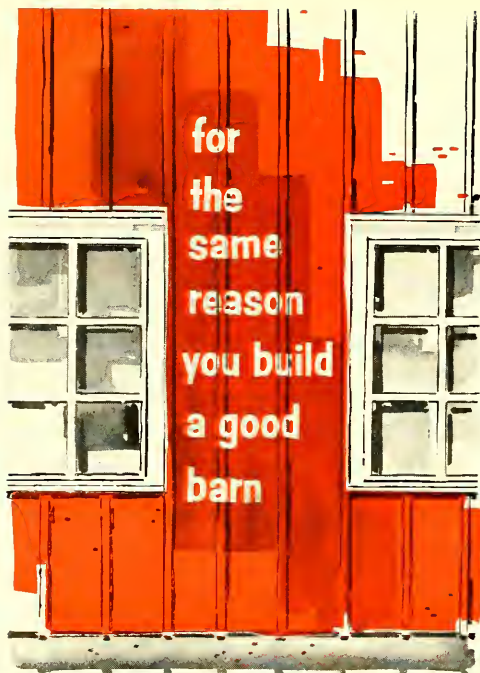
Among activities of the Collegiate FFA Chapter at West Virginia University last year was helping to make a six-minute tape recording that went to 24 radio stations across the state. The tape was handled by the agricultural extension editor.

Many new ideas can be found in the materials prepared each year by state and national offices. One that many FFA chapters will be using this year is church programs. These are attractive folders with one side blank so that churches can print in their service of worship.

Only two years ago, National FFA Week place mats were made available. This idea, suggested by a Pennsylvania vo-ag teacher, has been a tremendous success.

Other ideas may be found in the lists prepared by state and national offices, or in magazines, or chapter files. While many may be old standbys, there are bound to be at least some that are new to you or your chapter.

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Your Editors Say...

This is a busy time for your national FFA officers. They arrived in Washington, D. C., on January 21 for a series of meetings and conferences ahead of the annual National Good Will Tour. It will be about six weeks before they return home. During this time they will travel more than 4,500 miles in the interest of agriculture and the FFA.



High on the agenda in Washington is a meeting with the representatives of Donors to the FFA Foundation. These are the companies and business concerns that contribute annually to the funds that make possible the numerous awards available to Future Farmers through the Future Farmers of America Foundation, Inc. After that, comes a two-day session of the FFA Board of Directors and Board of Student Officers to act upon business matters of your organization.

Then, it's off on the Good Will Tour which will take the national officers to about 18 cities where they will visit with people in business and industry. The tour begins with a trip to Richmond and will extend as far westward as Phoenix, Arizona, and Denver, Colorado. The exhaustive schedule takes all the vigor of youth but none of your national officers would miss a minute of it. The tour is truly a unique experience.

By now your officers have learned that, in addition to the prestige and honor of their offices, there is plenty of hard work. They serve without pay other than expenses. They give a year of service to FFA which means the loss of time and money on their farms and for some, a year out of college. Such dedication on the part of young men helps make the FFA the greatest farm boy organization in the world.

It was my pleasure to be in Kansas City recently during the annual conference of the National Vocational Agricultural Teachers Association and meet with some of the men you know as "Mr. Advisor." Perhaps you have been impressed, as I have been, with their devoted service to vocational agriculture, FFA, and farm boys. Certainly, the group meeting in Kansas were concerned with helping students of vocational agriculture and adult farmers meet the challenge that lies ahead in a changing agriculture. And their organization of NVATA should continue to move forward under the able leadership of their new president, Jim Hamilton, FFA Advisor at Audubon, Iowa.

A visit to our offices now would find bulldozers at work out back. Construction has been started on a warehouse addition for storing many of the items handled by the Future Farmers Supply Service. This fills a need of your national organization in rendering a service to FFA Members.

Wilson Carnes,
Editor

The National FUTURE FARMER

LOOK AT ALL THE EXTRAS YOU GET IN AN INTERNATIONAL PICKUP

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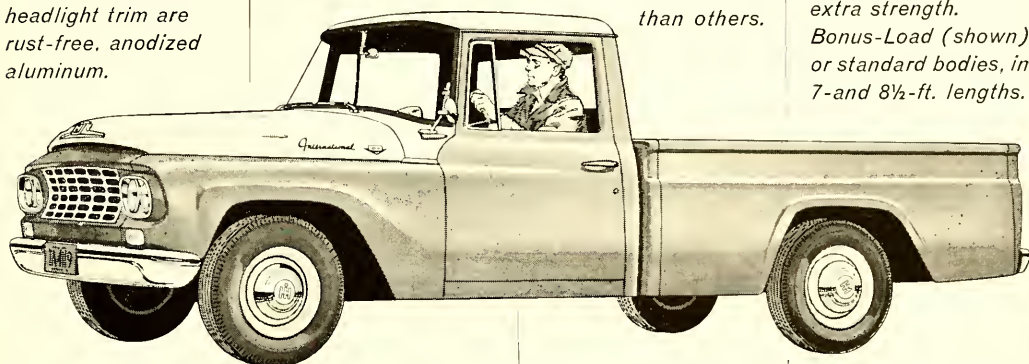
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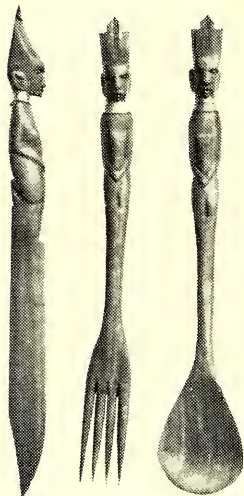
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WHAT AMERICA

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FUTURE FARMER

By Steve Snook

AMERICA means a lot to me, both as a Future Farmer and as a citizen. It is my country, your country, our country. It is a free nation. We are a free people. We should be thankful it is that way.

There are some who would change this way of life—this balance of power our country has developed to protect individual rights. The Communist Party wishes, and is actively working for, the overthrow of our democratic government and substitution of a system of total government power.

If you believe "that to live and work on a good farm is pleasant as well as challenging," you probably would not like being anything but a farmer. However, under the Communist system, although you may wish to be a farmer, your profession may be coal mining. The State's decision on your profession is final.

The Communists hope to overthrow all the world's free systems through a system of organization, leadership, propaganda, and most important, armed force. Let us examine each of these separately.

Organization in the Communist Party is on a military basis. Any member who fails to conform to the Party's wishes is arrested and either sent to a labor camp or killed, depending on the seriousness of the event.

Leaders of the Communists are men who believe that anything to advance

the Party is all right, no matter what human rights may be violated. A good example of this is Castro's grave robberies.

The Communist ideology is the clenched fist and propaganda declaring the glories of Communism and the evils of the democratic systems. Propaganda is directed against Capitalist ideals and any free country opposing the advance of Communism.

Armed force has been a deciding factor in every country except Czechoslovakia that has come under Communist control. Revolts, such as the one in Cuba, have given the Party a foothold in many countries.

We, as Future Farmers and future leaders of a nation, along with other organizations, must work to stamp out this serious threat to our free society and humanity. Then we can say: "I believe in the future of farming," and know that there is a future in farming.

A portion of the FFA Creed demonstrates my feeling on Americanism: "I believe rural America can and will hold true to the best traditions in our national life and that I can exert an influence in my home and community which will stand solid for my part in that inspiring task."

Steve is a sophomore at the Chadron, Nebraska, High School. He wrote this essay as part of a state FFA project in citizenship.—Ed.

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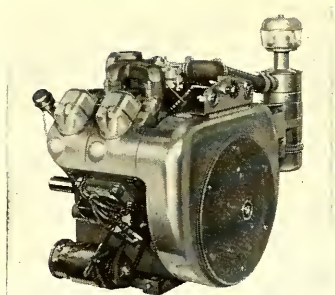
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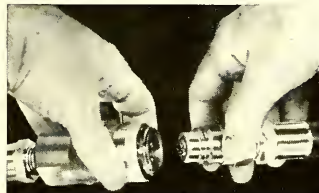


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Beverly Minnich, President of the Southeastern Local School FFA Chapter of Arcanum, Ohio, accepts the 1961 National 304 Bushel Challenge Trophy from E. D. Funk, Jr., President of Funk Bros. Seed Co., producers of Funk's G-Hybrid* seed corn. At far left is E. P. Trittschuh, Jr., FFA Chapter

Adviser and Vo-Ag Instructor; second from right, Kermit Delk on whose farm the winning 240 bushel yield was grown; and at far right is Jim Beardsley, General Manager of Ag-Lab Products, Inc., associate producer of Funk's G-Hybrids.

Ohio FFA Chapter Produces 240 Bushel Corn Yield...is named 1961 National Winner of 304 Bushel Challenge Award

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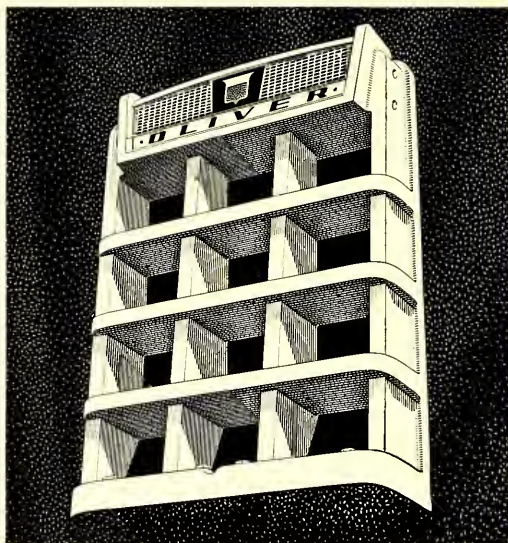
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...and what it means to fuel economy and pulling power

What is usable horsepower? In a word, it's the pulling power you put to work at your tractor's rear wheels . . . the horsepower left after you subtract power losses drained off by friction and *wheel slippage*.

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Farm Outlook for 1962

Wanted:
Higher Prices

Prospects:
Same as for 1961

FARMERS CAN EXPECT income gains registered in 1961 to be maintained in 1962. That's the word from USDA people, expressed at the annual Agricultural Outlook Conference held recently in Washington, D. C.

They believe net income (profit) of farm operators in 1961 will be about one billion dollars higher than the 11.7 billion dollars received in 1960. That means you can count on about a 12.7 billion dollar net in 1962.

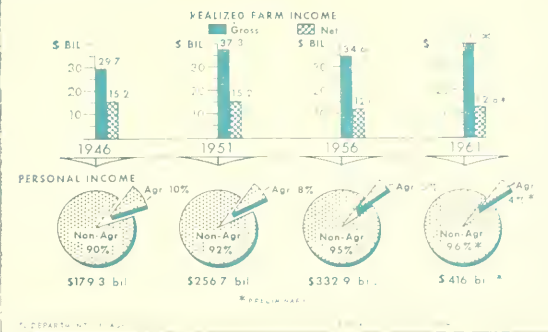
Cash receipts should be up, due to larger marketings and government payments under wheat and feed grain programs. However, it is expected that a small rise in expenses will offset the rise in receipts. Here is a look at the highlights:

Livestock and Meat—A record output is expected, accompanied by a small increase in the amount each person eats. Higher production of beef and pork is in prospect, with lamb and mutton production expected to go down. Some improvement in fed cattle prices is likely, but lower prices are expected on cows. Hog prices should average slightly lower than in 1961. Some recovery in lamb prices seems likely.

Milk—Another production increase is expected (probably setting a record) with not much change in consumption. As a result, purchases by the government (Commodity Credit Corporation) are likely to exceed the heavy purchases of 1961, possibly approaching the high levels of 1953 and 1954. Price supports to be announced before April 1 will be an important factor in prices.

Poultry and Eggs—Production of eggs is expected to be a little above the 170 million cases anticipated in 1961. Prices are likely to average slightly below the 36 cents a dozen indicated for 1961. Heavy broiler production also is in prospect despite

Farmers' Share of Nation's Income Smaller



record low 1961 prices. The output in 1961 was expected to be at least 12 percent greater than the 1.8 billion birds raised in 1960. The turkey crop will, likely, be large again. This could be influenced by proposed marketing orders if they are approved and put into effect early.

Feed Grain—A seven-million-ton drop from last year's record supply is expected, the first drop since 1952. Through participation in the Feed Grain Program, farmers reduced acreage 16 percent—mostly in corn and sorghum. Prices probably will average a little higher, governed by CCC sales under the Feed Grain Program, increases in 1961 price supports, smaller production, and prospects for more livestock feeding.

Wheat—The total supply for the 1961-62 marketing year is estimated at 2.6 billion bushels, down slightly from the 1960-61 record high. Carry-over on July 1 is expected to be around 1.4 billion bushels, representing the first drop in stocks since 1958. However, we'll still have total supplies enough to last two years.

Fats and Oils—A record output of 16.1 billion pounds is expected for the 1961-62 marketing year. This is due largely to the record soybean crop of

1961. Exports and domestic (U. S.) uses are expected to be at a record high, but a 75-million-bushel carry-over is likely.

Cotton—Exports are expected to be around a million bales less than in 1960-61, with the carry-over on August 1 likely to be about 400,000 bales higher than last year.

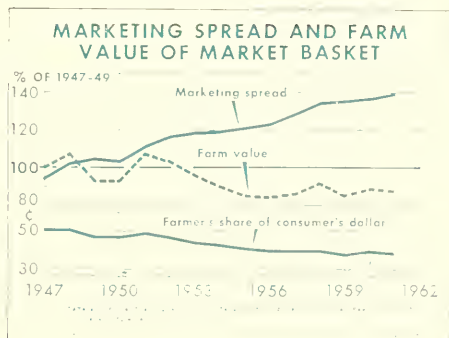
Tobacco—Total supplies will be close to 1961 levels. Consumption of cigarettes and cigars was up last year and further gains are likely.

Vegetables and Potatoes—Supplies of canned vegetables are larger than a year ago and frozen supplies are at a record high. A moderate cut appears needed to avoid burdensome supplies. Potatoes are in excess of marketing requirements and the USDA, at industry request, is operating a diversion program to assist farmers.

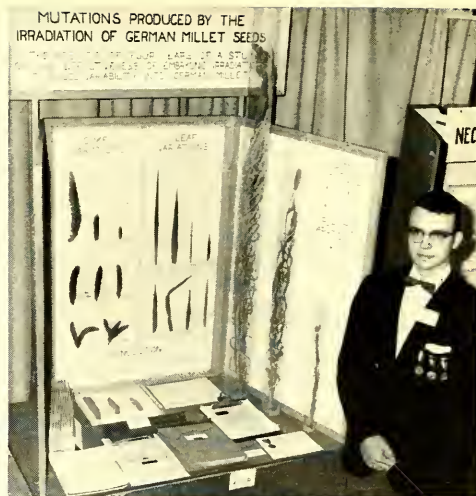
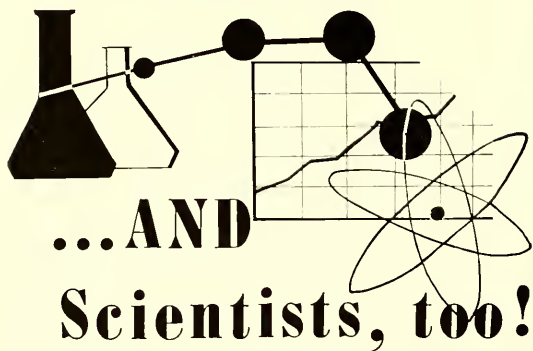
Fruit—Supplies of fresh and processed fruits are moderately larger than last year, and most classes are expected to be up in 1962. Consumer demand is expected to continue at a high level.

One conclusion: Plenty of everything. Too much of some! If you don't have that cost of producing a pound of meat, or a dozen eggs, or a bushel of grain down to compete with others in your field, better take a look at it.

Marketing charges on food products are expected to increase about 2 percent this year, continuing a long-term upward trend that began during World War II. Retail costs are again expected to show a small rise, but the farm value will go down some.



FUTURE FARMERS



Wayne's study has shown that a variety of mutations can be induced in plants by use of Gamma Ray treatments.

THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY young scientists are delving into the mysteries of science. What they are doing may one day affect even the farmer and what he produces.

Let's meet two of these young researchers—finalists in last year's National Science Fair-International—the World Series of high school science fairs.

Wayne Settle, Keystone, Indiana, former president of the Portland 198 FFA Chapter, has worked since 1956 on mutations produced by the irradiation of German millet seeds. Sound deep? It is! But he rattles off the details like a veteran of many years in the laboratory. He even received a request to write a paper for a British nuclear energy magazine.

Exposed to radioactive cobalt, Wayne's plants have shown both harmful and beneficial effects. On the plus side have been more and wider leaves, and greater head size. He has grown about half a dozen generations of the treated millet.

"I got my start," he says, "after corresponding with Dr. T. S. Osborne at the University of Tennessee and obtaining treated seeds." He grows the millet in test plots much like an agricultural experiment station's. Ordinary farm equipment is used on the seedbed, but a special planter is required. Cultivation and harvesting are by hand.

Wayne, now in college, is planning to specialize in plant breeding and genetics. A Ph. D. is in mind, perhaps suggested by his father, a science teacher.

Allen Redmann, Crystal, North Dakota, vice president of the North Dakota FFA Association, has been working with a project similar to Wayne's. He has studied what happens when seeds are bombarded with electrons. Successful in stimulating their growth, he has applied for a patent on his method.

"Ordinarily," Allen says, "it takes 24 hours for me to germinate seeds in plastic germinators. However, seeds exposed to electrons germinate in 23 hours." He also has increased germination up to 35 percent.

Mostly, Allen has worked with wheat and flax. "I am also working on the possibility of eradicating loose smut fungus from barley," he adds. The project involves a vacuum jar into which seeds are suspended in a cup attached to an electrode. A spark of 50,000-volt capacity at a very low amperage is used in a 10 to 40 second period.

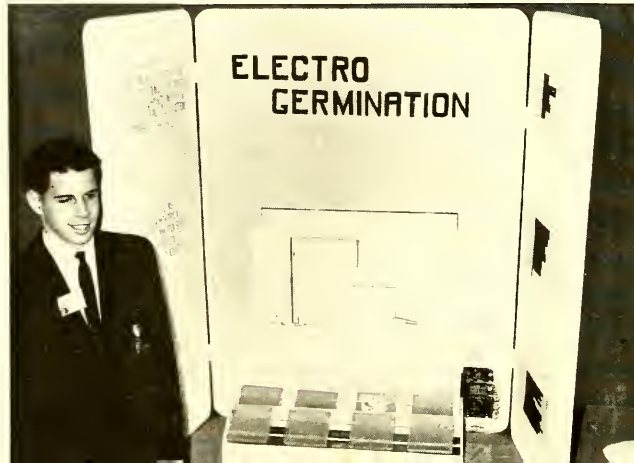
Allen is in college, too, this year. He wants to study plant breeding and soils, then return to the farm. He's closely tied to land that has been in the Redmann family for several generations.

Whether they become scientists or tillers of the soil, both Future Farmers agree that science fairs have been challenging as well as fascinating. And they hope that they, too, will be able to make contributions to a field that already is helping every American farmer produce enough food for himself and 25 other persons.

If you like science, try a project some time. It's fun, Wayne and Allen claim, besides a way to learn.



In Allen's work, seeds are bombarded with electrons. His 1961 Science Fair exhibit showed that he has increased germination by 35 percent.



VICTOR BUTLER, 18, has developed a broad background in working with people. And he knows that learning to get along with people, like learning to farm, requires study, skill and practice. He knows this because he is a leader—and he became one through study and hard work.

When he was only six, the Florida youth joined a big army of field hands employed to grow tobacco on the 975-acre Butler farm. He worked alongside old folks, young folks, and all ages in between. Later he acted as barn manager, and in his early teens he became part-time manager of the farm.

Now in partnership with his father, Victor today may supervise up to 450



Tobacco is produced under cloth on the Butler farm for finer textured leaves.

Professional Farmer and Leader

As Florida FFA President, he served more than 8,500 Future Farmers. When he stepped down last summer, he credited and thanked others for the honors and success he had achieved—parents, local and state FFA advisors, friends, and FFA members.

In August, your new leader traveled to the Middle East in behalf of the Florida FFA. There he helped lay the groundwork for a farm youth organization in the country of Jordan. Here was another meaningful experience in working with people, as well as a lesson in world understanding.

It was only shortly after he returned to the United States that Victor was elected National FFA President. Official delegates to the National FFA Convention named a leader who is well prepared to serve you, the FFA, and the interests of American agriculture.

Victor is taking leave from animal husbandry studies at Abraham-Baldwin Agricultural College, Tifton, Georgia, where he is preparing for a farming

career. He'll be busy for the remainder of the year with FFA duties.

Of course, farm work will need some attention too. Victor and his father are fattening 2,500 cattle a year, after stepping up from 500 head. A new push-button feeding system will be a big help. The cattle program was enlarged because of a threat by synthetic cigar wrappers to the shade-grown tobacco business. All of the Butler tobacco—about 100 acres—is grown under cheese-cloth roofs.

As he goes about carrying the message of vo-ag and the FFA, Victor probably will offer the same encouragement to Future Farmers everywhere that he gave Florida members. "Be watchful and realize your opportunities through the FFA," he said, reminding them that people expect a Future Farmer to exemplify the best qualities of young manhood, and to act for the betterment of others. One of the things that helps, as he has found, is knowing how to get along with others.

field hands at tobacco harvest time. About 250 are employed the year 'round to work tobacco fields and take care of a large cattle operation.

Entry into high school and the FFA gave Victor a chance to really study and practice leadership. Elected freshman class president, he hardly had FFA Green Hand requirements out of the way when he was named secretary of his chapter.

Other chapter and class offices were to follow, with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. Cecil V. Butler, and his vo-ag teacher, Mr. O. E. Yearly, giving encouragement. An interest in public speaking developed, too.

Energetic in all school activities, Victor earned a "B" average in high school, played baseball and football, and blew a trumpet in the band. He entered vo-ag with several hundred dollars earned from summer work and six years later, in 1961, had 50 beef cattle, 30 acres corn, 14 acres shade-grown tobacco, and 25 percent interest in his father's large farming program.

All this led to a "first" for Florida in 1960—its first "Triple Crown" winner, the third nationally. Victor was named State FFA President, State Star Farmer, and State Public Speaking Winner all in the same year.

In spare time, Victor gives an assist to a crop duster employed on the farm.

The use of 2-way radios in farm trucks saves time and effort for the Butlers.



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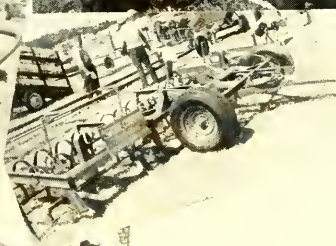
**A Good Shop Gives You the Power
To Create Useful Things as well
as Repair Machinery.**

YOUR VO-AG or farm shop can be a bonanza. It can give you big returns—not only through repairs, but from things you can build that couldn't otherwise be afforded.

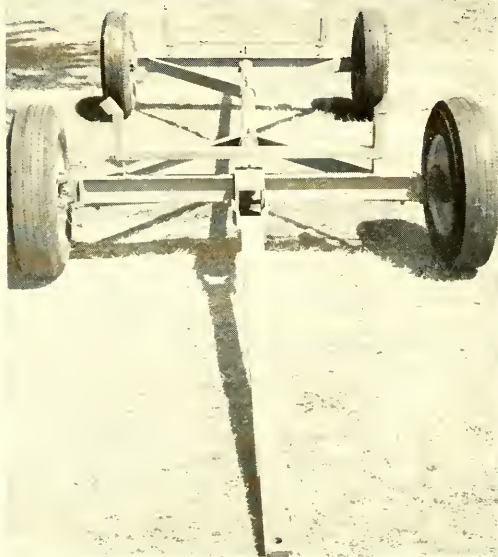
Check these two pages for ideas that can be put to use on your farm. These are projects built by FFA members in Kansas, Missouri, and Nebraska. Most were exhibited in farm mechanics divisions of state fairs last summer—and many won awards. There are countless other possibilities.

Progressive farmers need good equipment. It saves labor and helps improve efficiency.

A framework for a portable barn was constructed by Galena, Missouri, FFA members. Sheeting can be bolted on.



August Rieke, Belle, Missouri, used plans developed by his ag teacher, Jesse Clonts, for this farm wagon chassis—a Missouri State Fair grand champion farm mechanics project.





George Beierman, Albion, Nebraska, built this sturdy harrow carrier for use in a large scale farming program.

Shop

Some Other THINK BIG Shop Projects

- Stock Rack
- Baled Hay Elevator
- Manure Loader
- Garden Tractor
- Porch Railing
- Horse Trailer
- Feed Auger
- Dump Trailer
- Clothesline Poles
- Truck Bumper
- Calf Hay Feeder
- Tractor Chains
- Farm Gate
- Stock Watering Tank
- Welding Table
- Power Hack Saw
- Dehorning Chute
- Implement Carrier
- Feed Cart
- Sink for Dairy Barn
- Portable Weed Sprayer
- Creep Feeder
- Farrowing Crates
- Irrigation Pipe Carrier
- Hog Self-Feeder
- Salt and Mineral Feeder

For details and plans on projects like these, check with your vo-ag teacher, county agent, state university, welding supply firms, or lumber companies. And don't forget the vo-ag classroom library.

Make the best of shop time, either at school or at home. It'll pay! But one word of caution—master eyebolts and other fundamentals before attempting the larger projects.

When you finish a project, give it a professional touch with a good paint

job. Looks, as well as life, will get a boost. Prepare the surface, use a primer coat, and choose a quality paint.

National FFA Farm Mechanics Award Winner, Eugene Gantz, of Millersburg, Pennsylvania, lists the following "Do's and Don'ts" about shop work:

Come to class with the attitude "I'm going to do all I can this period."

Draw accurate plans ahead of time.

Use the right tools for the job.

Always keep cutting tools sharp.

When constructing machinery, build it strong.

Be alert when you come to class (accidents happen when you're off guard).

Don't experiment with a machine.

Have someone show you how to use it.

Don't leave tools lay in a work area when not needed.

Don't try horse play. Use your time wisely.

Don't disregard advice from others. Experience often is a harsh teacher.

Nearly finished, this beef self-feeder was constructed by Falls City, Nebraska, students in advanced farm mechanics.



This champion hoghouse and pen were built by Kansan Don Rosfeld, Goessell, assisted by his teacher, Nelson Galle.



ARE SPF'S FOR YOU?

Here's something new to
consider if you are buying
foundation stock.



CLEANEST PIGPENS you ever saw! We're talking about some of the laboratories where swine are being raised in completely sterile environments. You can find them all the way from Clemson College in South Carolina to the University of Nebraska.

First the pigs were called disease-free. Now they're "SPF," referring to "specific-pathogen-free." This means they are free of only certain diseases—notably such things as atrophic rhinitis and virus pig pneumonia.

Some 40 laboratories, mostly in the hands of veterinarians, are raising SPF animals. Their work has been highly satisfactory. Authorities say that by the end of the year there should be an adequate supply.

The key to this program is a hysterectomy, or removing the pigs from a sow on the 112th day of gestation. This is just before the time for normal birth—while the animals are still free of disease.

Scientists or veterinarians place the pigs in incubators where they are reared in complete isolation for the first week of their lives. Cow's milk modified with eggs, vitamins, and minerals, or similar rations are fed.

Then the pigs are housed in small groups where they learn to eat solid foods and drink water. By one month of age they can be placed on farms where all other swine have been removed and strict sanitation standards are observed. Premises need to have been mechanically cleansed and disinfected four to six weeks before.

Actually, you can get started with SPFs two or three different ways. In addition to providing a sow for a hysterectomy, you may be able to

obtain pigs from a laboratory. These are called "primary" SPFs.

Another possibility is buying offspring, or secondary stock, from certified SPF herds. Such herds must meet rigid standards of growth and health as determined by records, observations on the farm, and inspection at slaughter.

A national organization, the National Swine Repopulation Association, has been formed to control the SPF term and set the standards. It is headed up by Dr. Bert O. Combs., of Conrad, Iowa. Several state groups have been organized.

Eventually, pigs will be available from non-certified herds that originated from SPF stock, but University of Nebraska specialists discourage starting with these animals. "From a practical standpoint," they say, "it is advisable to consider only certified SPF swine or those direct from the laboratory."

Here are some of the reasons for raising SPFs:

1. Eliminate disease (reduce drug bills).
2. Raise more pigs from the same number of sows.
3. Grow pigs more rapidly on less feed.
4. More net profit for the hog producer.

There are also some disadvantages:

1. Loss of income while making the switch.
2. High initial price of pigs, or sacrifice of sow.
3. Must maintain closed herd.
4. SPFs need better care.

"The two main diseases we are attempting to break appear to be effec-

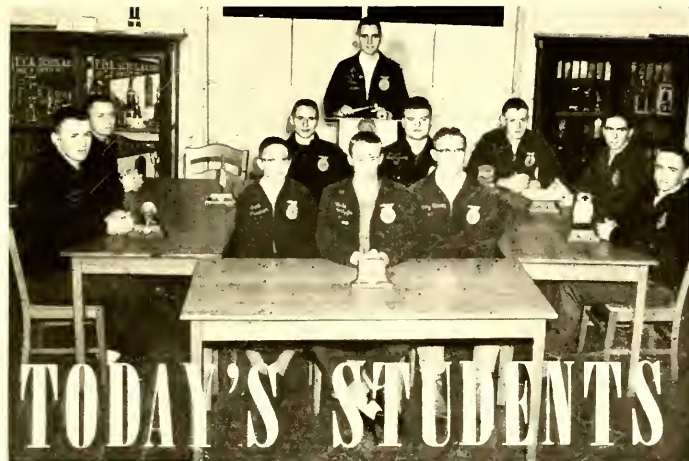
tively eliminated by the SPF program," says Dr. George A. Young. He was one of a team of University of Nebraska scientists that placed 39 disease-free pigs on Nebraska farms four or five years ago. Today, there are more than 7,000 SPF pigs in the state.

Once SPFs are brought home, every precaution must be taken to see that they do not come into contact with other hogs or possible germ carriers. Some farmers are putting in double fences. They also furnish boots and coveralls to visitors. Signs state that SPF swine are on the premises and warn visitors not to enter without permission.

What do farmers think of SPFs? Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sams, of Missouri, said they have been able to produce 100 pounds of pork on 240.3 pounds of feed. M. R. Lay, one of 60 accredited herdsmen in Nebraska, said he had one litter of ten pigs that averaged 188 pounds at four months of age.

Of course, problems do still exist. One is unraveling the unknowns about SPFs. Secondary pigs have produced well under good conventional management programs—including inoculations for cholera, erysipelas, and other diseases not controlled. But nutrition and management for primary animals still are cloudy. At least one manufacturing concern has come up with a special sow's milk replacer for SPF pigs.

It might pay you to consider this new type of swine if you are starting project work, or if you want to do a more efficient job with your present project. But before you bring any home, better bone up good on management—especially sanitation. One slip and everything goes down the drain.



By Noble W. Ross

... Tomorrow's Leaders

ALL THROUGH HISTORY our rural population has provided leaders, not only in agriculture but in all vocations. Eighteen of our 35 United States presidents have come from rural areas.

Today, rural leadership is becoming increasingly important within agriculture itself. Farmers now are a minority group. Only 10 percent of our population feeds the other 90 percent. We **MUST** have well-trained farm leaders if we are to maintain good public relations with our fellow men.

From today's students will come tomorrow's leaders. In FFA you can get the training that it will take—not only to become a leader in food production but a leader for humanity.

Indiana's exhibit at the 1961 National FFA Convention showed four ways through which leadership is developed in the FFA. Prepared by the Sheridan Chapter, it listed judging teams, demonstrations, public speaking, and parliamentary procedure.

In judging—whether dairy, livestock, poultry, or land—we learn to make decisions and then support those decisions with logical reasoning. The 1960 Sheridan dairy judging team made correct decisions and placed first in the county, district, and state contests; then won a Gold Emblem in the national judging contest at Waterloo, Iowa.

Modern communications, such as television, impose an urgent need upon farm leaders for the ability to show other people how to do things. That's where a demonstration tried by the Sheridan Chapter comes in. Not only did it sell people on the use of an electrical egg-gathering system, but the demonstrators gained the experience and know-how that comes with putting on a demonstration.

Any leader—in FFA, PTA, or the United States of America—also must know something about technology in his field. He must have originality and be able to project new ideas and promote those ideas. Sheridan's FFA

public speaker, Tom Kendall, did just that. In a speech, "Mrs. Spratt's Problem at the Meat Counter," he promoted a marketing idea and at the same time learned how to sell the idea. Tom also learned more about selling as a dairy promoter during "June Dairy Month."

One of the important reasons why the United States is strong is that in our free economy we have the incentive for efficient agricultural production. Leadership in marketing has been made ever more important because we do have an abundant food supply.

How often has your chapter practiced parliamentary procedure? Here is democratic leadership in action—where leaders, even in the halls of Congress, take their turn to express thought or opinion. Training in parliamentary procedure at Sheridan and throughout Indiana is an important phase of leader-

ship training. Again, we learn by doing.

Actually, one of the primary objectives of the FFA and vo-ag is leadership. That is why the Hamilton County, Indiana, FFA Chapters pitched in last summer and cooperatively built a float for the Indiana State Fair. Its title was "FFA Leadership—A Power For Peace."

When all is said and done, one of the best symbols of FFA leadership work is an outstanding farmer. Sheridan had such a candidate for the American Farmer Degree last fall. Bob Moore and his wife, Annette, do a top job on a fertile, 334-acre farm where 20 sows farrow twice a year and 20 gilts farrow at least one set of litters per year.

Yes, FFA leadership training can develop leaders for tomorrow. Are you doing your part to become a better leader?

(Mr. Ross is the FFA Advisor and vo-ag instructor at Sheridan, Indiana, High School.)—Ed.

Training for leadership through a judging contest, these Sheridan, Ind., dairy team members earned a Gold Emblem.



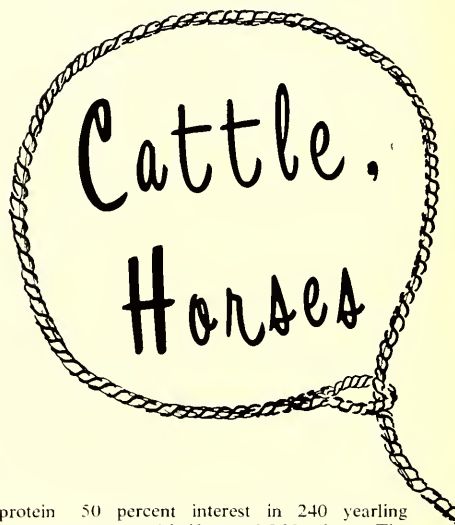
Working together, FFA chapters in Hamilton County, Ind., constructed a leadership float for use at the state fair.





At home in the saddle, Gary trains his own horses and can supply buyers with tame riding animals or rodeo work stock.

In the Sandhills area of Southwest Nebraska Gary M. Trego has established himself in ranching and earned a Regional Star Farmer award with . . .



By John Russell

PUTTING UP TENTS for camping is one thing; putting up tents at the Oso Ranch near Sutherland, Nebraska, is another. Ever hear of pup tents for calves? That's exactly what they are used for in this case . . . only these are pocket size.

Young rancher Gary Trego and his father discovered this system while looking for a way to protect new-born calves under blizzard conditions, and during, cold, damp weather on the range. It works fine! Just as soon as calves are able to get along on their own, the tents are removed.

Another bit of ingenuity at Oso: A manually operated "caker" is used to feed cattle quicker and more uniformly. This is a gadget that Gary devised for the back of a power feed wagon. Through controls up front, he can di-

rect an even flow of "cake" protein supplement wherever desired.

Gary is the 1961 Star Farmer of the Central Region, named at the National FFA Convention in Kansas City last fall. Many other examples of his handiwork could be found about the 8,335-acre Trego spread and 960 acres of rented ground. Since September, 1960, when the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mose E. Trego, moved to town, Gary and his wife, Terri, have had full management responsibilities. It's no small job, you can bet, and every good idea that will save time, labor, or money is put to use.

One cow was Gary's start in the cattle business. By the time he made application for the American Farmer Degree last spring, he counted full ownership of 27 Hereford cows and

50 percent interest in 240 yearling steers and heifers and 266 calves. The partnership also included nine registered Quarter Horse mares, twelve registered geldings and other saddle horses, and a high quality stallion.

You guessed it! He is an avid horse fancier and, in between herding cattle and raising horses, he rides in rodeos. "All 'Round Cowboy" was a title he acquired as winner of a state high school rodeo in 1955. Since most daylight hours are occupied with ranching chores, Star Farmer Trego has built a lighted arena for training horses in the evening.

This ranch boasts of one of the finest commercial beef herds in the state. Gary took over after returning home from a try at college work and two years in the Navy. His military service

Beef is the main product of this spread, coming from one of the state's best herds. Good bulls insure quality.



One of Gary's greatest pleasures is rodeo riding. This is his pet Brahma cow, which he uses to practice for rodeos.





Summertime in the Sandhills presents this scene on the Trego ranch. Gary stops to water his horse and to have a drink himself at a windmill and water tank.

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accounts for the fact that he was able to stay in the FFA until age 24. Rules provide that time spent in military service shall not be counted against FFA eligibility for three years following the first national convention after graduation, or age 21, whichever is longer.

By his own admission, FFA work has played a major role in Gary's successful establishment in ranching. You can see a direct parallel between his progress and his supervised farming program. And right at the head of a

report submitted along with his application for the American Farmer Degree is the first paragraph of the FFA Creed. "I spoke those words many times in Creed Speaking Contests and their meaning has continued to grow," he says. "I owe many of the inspirations I have received to the FFA."

Leadership work took him into the FFA Chapter and class offices at Sutherland High School and then he was named State FFA Reporter. He also became president of the Nebraska Junior Stock Growers, and vice president of the National Junior Stock Growers.

Gary's first cow was a gift from his grandfather when he was six. He had 13 head by the time he enrolled in vo-ag. When a senior, he had 24 cattle, and a small swine enterprise. Quarter Horses were added in 1957, his first year out of high school.

After Naval service, arrangements were made for Gary to purchase 640 acres of the land and half interest in machinery. Payments will go to 1970. A partnership was formed on livestock, with Gary receiving half interest in calf crops in return for his labor, management, and assumption of all expenses,

except for a division of costs on purchased feed, fencing, and wells. He receives one-sixteenth of the cow herd each year for eight years, then will have earned a full 50 percent partnership. He hires one man full time, and adds other employees during haying and other busy seasons.

A well-equipped farm shop reflects Gary's vo-ag work. He's also a firm believer in keeping good records. A diary of all significant events is maintained, along with an accurate account of financial transactions. Other practices include rigid herd culling, storage of equipment when not in use, and careful maintenance of corrals and buildings. Gary and Terri grow a large garden, keep a cow for milk, and raise chickens for eggs and meat. Terri's work as a music teacher has supplemented farm income.

Meantime, agricultural studies are being continued in adult classes conducted by Vo-Ag Instructor Dick Snyder. Gary's age has ended FFA participation. "But I shall always be proud to call myself an FFA member," he concludes. "The experiences, the friendships, the knowledge gained in FFA, have been truly rewarding."

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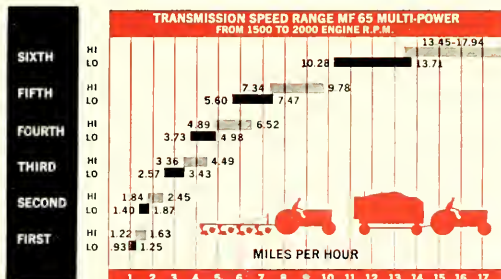


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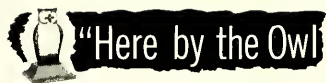
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MR. ADVISOR:

“When should I specialize?”



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O. Beverly Roller
*FFA Advisor
Weyers Cave,
Virginia*

MANY of today's successful farmers are specialists. They have reduced their number of enterprises and are concentrating on a relatively few major projects. This gives them more effective use of their capital and labor. In all segments of agriculture, specialization is increasing.

I feel you should specialize when you, along with your father and teacher, believe more profit can be made. This involves careful study and planning on everyone's part. The need can best be determined through a study of your farm records, past production, and comparing your farm with other farms in your locality.

Specialization is good when the farm

lends itself to the specific type of farming you desire to pursue. For example, it would be poor management to grow cultivated crops on rough land. Thought also should be given to the buildings and other facilities that are present.

Another condition that should have a bearing on specialization is your ability and desire to undertake a specific program, such as dairying. It would certainly be unwise for you to milk cows if you don't like to work with cows, or lack the necessary talent.

Perhaps some thought also should be given to the demand for the product that you will produce. In other words, are markets available? For too long, the farmer has done a good job of producing his product, but a poor job of getting a fair market value.

Specialization is a big word in American agriculture. It's here to stay. No one knows how far the farmer may find himself going in this field. But we do know it is our privilege to work in the most challenging and changing vocation of our nation. Dare we do less than our very best in the production of food and fiber?

C. B. Ray
*FFA Advisor
Charlotte,
Michigan*



PERSONAL likes and dislikes will naturally enter the decision. If you have a dislike for animals, you should not decide to operate a farm which is primarily suited for livestock raising. If you dislike working with machinery, you should not try to operate a cash crop farm.

After a young man decides on his project, or projects, his success will depend to a high degree upon the soil with which he works. Likewise, the decision to raise a kind of crop or livestock will be dictated many times by the farm you select. Few farmers can afford to graze sheep on Class I land and few can afford to specialize

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"Here by the Owl"

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in raising corn on Class IV soil.

Many farms have such a variety of soil types that a farmer must decide on several crop or livestock enterprises if he is to use the land according to its greatest capabilities.

Climate and marketing conditions also are factors which must be considered. The distribution of labor during the different seasons is usually more

difficult on a farm that specializes in crop farming.

If you have selected one or two enterprises that you like and have been able to rent or own a farm with a soil type suitable for these enterprises, you can then consider the economics of specialization. Under most conditions the cost per unit of production will be less if the same machinery is used to produce more units. Usually the more enterprises involved, the greater the amount of machinery and equipment needed.

Specialization on one or two enterprises permits a young man to study

and concentrate his management efforts into a narrower field, allowing him to make better decisions about his business. There is no place for an uninformed man in the business of farming today.

J. W. Jamison

*FFA Advisor
Santa Rosa,
California*



IN SOME areas, specialization has become predominant. California is one of these. This state is noted for its great number of agricultural commodities, but within the farm unit, specialization is commonly practiced. Students of vocational agriculture, coming from specialized farms, quite naturally tend to specialize in their own project development.

Experience in our chapter has shown that the specialized project acts as a focusing point. A student is able to develop a standardized routine of farm work on a day-to-day basis and seasonally throughout the year.

It is easy to present the case in favor of thorough knowledge and familiarity with one or two farming enterprises, on the one hand, or in support of breadth of experience gained from a variety of projects or enterprises, on the other. We have found an advantage over the years for the student who became skilled, informed, and adept in one type of production.

A student who specializes during his four high school years frequently builds a farming program to the point where its income, or the gradual selling of assets (in livestock), yield funds to pay a substantial part of the cost of attending college. If he does not continue his formal education beyond high school, he often has the nucleus of a breeding herd or acreage in crop production that will aid in his establishment in a full time farming operation.

Among our chapter's alumni, we have many who have utilized FFA farming programs as stepping stones in both directions. Of 19 American Farmers, the majority conducted a specialized farming program.

If you are planning to specialize, determine what your major interest is and whether your home facilities fit the type of project you desire. Together with your parents and vo-ag instructor, try to visualize how your farming program can best be developed to succeed financially and provide a stimulating educational experience.

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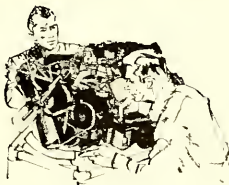
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Grinning with pride, Jesse Loya, Sr., clamps his arms around his judging champion sons, Ralph and Jesse, Jr. Below: Feeding "green chop" on the Mattos ranch.



YOU NAME IT - THEY JUDGED IT!



These FFA brothers, sons of a dairy ranch worker, have served on three state champion teams and have been in three national contests.

RALPH AND JESSE'S vo-ag teacher leaned back and told them: "A little extra effort will win the title."

But that didn't scare the Loya brothers. They were accustomed to work, like their father, a dairy ranch hand near Hanford in the heart of the rich San Joaquin Valley.

Instead, these Future Farmers went out to accomplish something no other brothers have done in California FFA history. They've been on three state champion judging teams, and have competed in three national finals.

Winners cannot defend any of their titles. That's what made it really difficult. They must switch to entirely new categories each year. Another thing—judging is highly competitive in California.

Emile LaSalle, FFA advisor, spotted the Loyas and their interest in dairy cattle on their first day in vocational agriculture. It wasn't long until they were alternates on the dairy cattle team and "tagged along for experience." Then, in 1959, as sophomores, they teamed with Andrew Fochetti to sweep the state title and win third place in the national contest at Waterloo, Iowa.

Changing hats the next year, the Loyas and Bill Vanderziel went undefeated in taking the milk judging title and another third place at Waterloo. It was as seniors this past year that the team of Loya, Loya, and Rodney Ellis collected the record breaking third win in what they termed the toughest event yet—livestock judging. Their state title was followed by a bronze award at the national contest in Kansas City.

Success didn't come easy for Ralph, 18, and Jesse, 20, now out of high school. Every spare minute was spent in practice and study.

"We worked before classes, during snack periods, at lunch and after school," Jesse said. "Many times at home we would pick out some of the Mattos cows (from the herd of Joe Mattos, for whom their father works) and argue about how they should be placed."

From the middle of February to May, the brothers spent Saturdays at judging contests. In milk judging, they even developed a taste that allowed them to determine what cows had eaten on a given day. Work proved to be the way to win.

Meantime, beef, swine, and sheep vo-ag projects were carried on with earnings from the Mattos ranch. Ralph had the Merit Award Steer at the Grand National Junior Livestock Exposition one year; then returned the next year to show an animal to first place.

The brothers also kept up supervised farming records and took part in sports. Ralph played four years of football and was named to the All League Team twice. He carried a B-grade average. Jesse played two years on the squad.

Football still is in Ralph's schedule. He was a standout last fall on the Cal Poly freshman team. Jesse decided to enlist in the Air Force and will seek a career later.

Can you guess what Ralph's goal is? He wants to become a vocational agriculture teacher and "some day take a judging team of my own back to the national contest." Probably he, too, will lean back and say: "A little extra effort will win the title." He knows it will.

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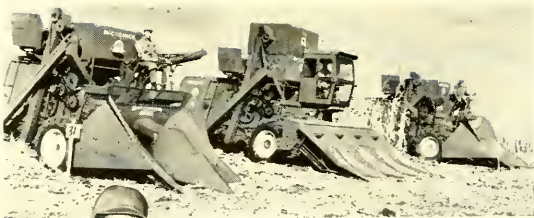


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Top scorer in the 1961 National Corn Picking Contest was former Olin, Iowa, FFA member Bernard Hay. He scored 96.81 points in the event's new combine division.

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A big "welcome home" parade for Florida's fourth National FFA President found Victor Butler riding with top state officials—Thomas D. Bailey (left), school superintendent, and Doyle Connor, Commissioner of Agriculture.

roundup



Left: Champions again! For three out of four years, a Clovis, California, cotton judging team has won top spot in a San Joaquin Valley FFA Contest.

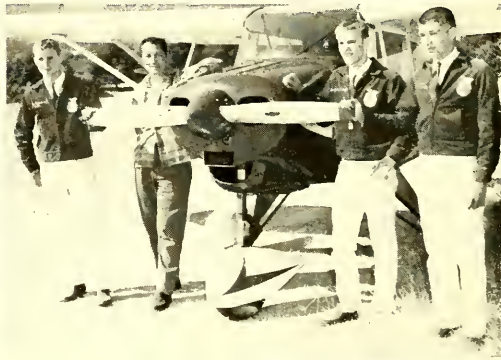


Right: One way to make money on sheep is to raise a champion. Errol Roberts, Oregon Future Farmer, got \$18 a pound for this prize winner.

Gaylord, Michigan, FFA members are getting into the feeder pig business after purchasing a truckload of gilts from a central market. Each gilt is a litter mate to a certified meat-type boar. Market provided three boars.



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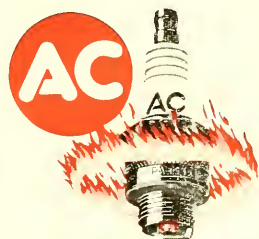


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HE GRABBED the rebound, and pivoted. The basketball flew out of his arms as he tripped, falling against one of the other players.

Coach Williams blew hard on his whistle. "Okay, fellas. That's enough for today. Brad, will you stop by to see me for a minute, after you get dressed?"

Brad Dalton nodded. He'd been expecting this.

"Good old Tanglefoot!" teased one of the boys, as they trooped into the locker room.

"What size shoes do you wear, Brad?" asked Chuck Phelps.

"These are twelves and they're too tight," admitted Brad, glancing down at his tennis shoes. "My regular shoes are thirteen C."

"Wow! No wonder you keep tripping, and getting your legs in a tangle!" exclaimed Chuck. "Size thirteen! Brother!"

Coach Williams was waiting, seated behind his desk. The coach also taught science. He looked up from the papers, and smiled. "Practice isn't going too well, is it, Brad?" he asked, sympathetically.

"Coach, I've decided to give up trying to make the team. Either a fellow has what it takes, or he hasn't," Brad said, glumly. "I haven't, and there's no point in trying to fool anyone."

"It takes courage to be able to admit defeat," Coach Williams said. He

Brad Dalton leaped high, arms outstretched.

motioned for Brad to have a seat. "Don't let this get you down, Brad. You aren't the first person that's tasted failure—and you won't be the last. All of us have our strengths, and our weaknesses. I'm sorry you won't be on the team. We're going to miss your spunk and spirit."

The desk was built for a smaller student, and Brad's long legs dangled out across the aisle. He appreciated the coach's efforts to dilute the bitterness of his disappointment. "I'll be watching every game, and yelling just as loud as the rest of our cheering section," he promised. "Maybe I can't be out there helping the team win games but I can sure help with the cheering!"

"As I said, we're going to really miss your fine spirit, Brad," the Coach added. "One more thing, then I know you'll have to start for home." He got up, and walked toward Brad. "There isn't a man worth his salt who hasn't had some setbacks in life. The really big men just forget about the failures, and concentrate on what's up ahead."

"I'll remember that," Brad replied, forcing a smile. They talked for a few minutes, then Brad headed for home.

The basketball season got underway,

and the Central High team won its first game. Brad, seated with his mother and father, yelled until he was hoarse. "Did you see the way Chuck Phelps was flipping in baskets? He hardly ever missed!" Brad exclaimed, nudging his Dad.

"It was a good game," Mr. Dalton agreed, as they drove through town. "We'll have to start right after supper next Friday, if we want to drive over to Medford."

Brad nodded. He was glad his folks enjoyed the game, too.

"I'll have supper ready early, so we can eat as soon as you get home," Mrs. Dalton told them.

Throughout the season, Brad never missed seeing the team in action. Even when his folks couldn't attend, Brad sat in the bleachers, shouting encouragement to his pals.

After the final game, Brad stopped by in the locker room. "You characters are champs!" he yelled, grinning at them. "The conference title! Nice going!"

"Thanks, Brad. We could hear you yelling during everyone of those games," Pete Winsky said, dragging the tall sophomore across the room. "Sit down while we get dressed. Coach Williams is buying hamburgers and

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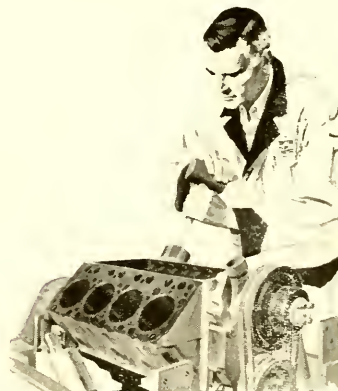
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Tanglefoot

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malts to celebrate the championship. "You're coming along!"

"I can't do that," Brad argued, trying to pull away.

"Oh, yes you can!" roared the other players, restraining him with force. Coach Williams came in, and grinned. "What's the rioting about?" he asked.

When they explained that Brad should be included in the celebration, Coach Williams agreed. "You were our No. One booster all season, Brad. You're coming along with us—and no arguments!"

As the happy group swarmed into the restaurant, Chuck Phelps walked with Brad. They took stools, and gave the waitress their orders. Coach Williams, sitting on the other side of Brad, said, "I don't want any of you to break training, so go easy on the food!"

There were outraged cries of protest, and the coach laughed. "Baseball season is coming up fast, and on the first warm spring day, we'll turn out for practice," he announced.

"Are you going to join us?" Chuck Phelps asked Brad.

"I haven't even thought about it."

"Well, think about it!" Chuck urged.

his blue eyes friendly, dancing with humor. "If you don't make the team, I'll bet Coach Williams can use a good assistant."

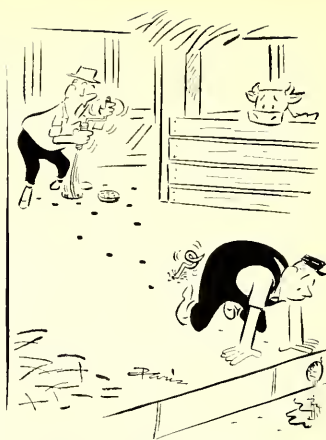
"That's right," chimed in the coach.

"Tanglefoot Dalton, chief water boy!" predicted Brad. "Well, why not? Sure, I'll try. I never played much baseball before, but who knows? Maybe I'll be another Mickey Mantle!"

Everyone laughed. It was one of the things people liked about the tall, dark-haired youth. His ability to grin and bear it, even when discouraged. "We can use a guy like Mickey Mantle!" Pete Winsky piped up. "Of course, with me in there, pitching, you won't even come close to the ball!"

Brad thought his friend was probably right. Still, you never know until you try. Several weeks later, on a warm, sunny afternoon, the first practice began.

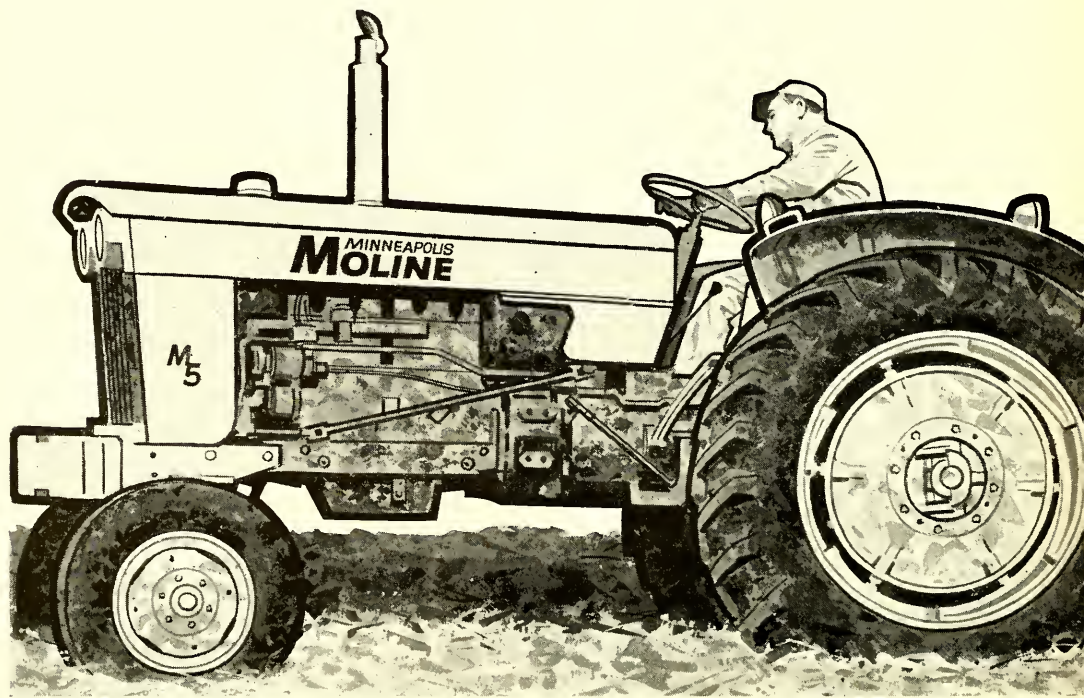
When the warming up exercises were finished, Coach Williams blew his whistle, signalling the start of batting practice. Brad selected a heavy, dark brown bat from the rack, and swung it a few times. "Put your wrists down just a little," advised the coach. "When you swing at the ball, the idea is to get all of your weight behind the swing—with-out straining. Stay loose at the plate,



"Let me know when it comes through."

Brad. Keep your muscles relaxed all the time."

Pete Winsky stepped to the pitcher's mound. The stocky youth grinned, facing Brad. Pete held out his glove. Coach Williams tossed out the ball. Pete eyed the plate, ready to throw. The pitch floated in, and Brad swung with all his might. He missed the ball



completely, and the force of the swing caused him to spin around, off balance. He fell, sending up a cloud of dust from the plate.

The good-natured shouts and laughter of his friends reddened his face. He managed a grin, getting to his feet.

"Let's see that pitch again!" Brad called out to Pete Winsky. Brad dusted his hands, and crouched with the big bat poised.

"Always glad to oblige!" Pete said, chuckling as he went into his wind up. The ball traveled slowly toward the plate.

"Crack!" The impact sent a tingle up through Brad's arms. It was a wonderful feeling, as the ball streaked like a bullet, high across the athletic field.

"Yipe! I never saw a ball hit like that!" shouted Pete, turning to see the baseball clear the wire fence, and bounce across the street.

"That was at least 400 feet!" exclaimed Coach Williams. "Maybe more!"

Brad asked for another chance. "I'll probably never hit another one like that, but I'd sure like to try!" he said, grinning.

Pete Winsky caught the new ball Coach Williams tossed out. "We shall see if you can make like Mickey Man-

tle again!" he said, preparing to throw.

Brad's shoulders twisted, bringing the heavy bat around. It met the ball cleanly, and the crack was like a shot! The ball traveled even further than the first!

"I have a hunch that baseball and you are going to get along just fine," Coach Williams said, walking toward the high school after practice. "I've seen a lot of natural hitters since I've been coaching, and of all of the boys I've worked with, you show the most power, the best sense of timing and muscular coordination."

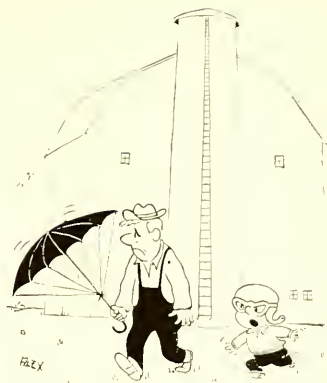
"It looks like baseball is for me!" Brad said, earnestly. "I've got a lot to learn, and I'm going to need all the help I can get."

Pete Winsky caught up with them, as they walked into the locker room. "I went looking for those two baseballs you hit over the fence," he explained to Brad. "I found one. Thought you might like to have it."

"May I buy it, Coach?" asked Brad, fingering the seams. The ball did mean something special to him. He wanted to keep it, and look at it when he was discouraged.

The grey-haired coach nodded, understanding.

Brad and Pete hurried to the shower room, where Chuck Pelps, Tom O'Bri-



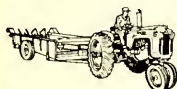
"Boy! It's a good thing the Wright Brothers didn't have folks as fussy as mine!"

en, and the other players were singing lustfully, amid the splashing of water.

"Take me out to the ball game!" Brad sang, several notes off key. There was a loud groan from his teammates, as they pulled him into the shower, clothes and all!



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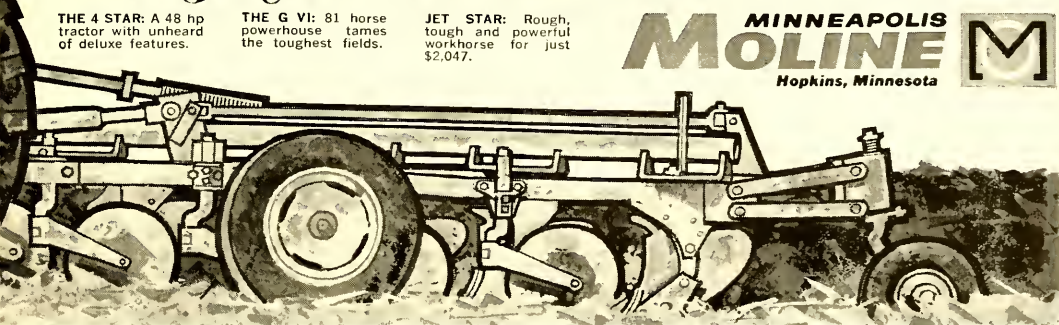
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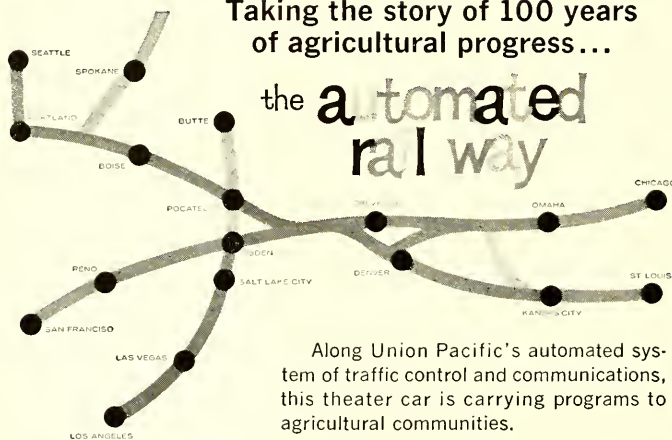
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Jon puts his abilities to work in other fields with the same energy used to develop his farming program. Last year he was named State FFA President in Oklahoma, winner of the State Livestock Farming Award, and Oklahoma's State Star Farmer. He has served as an officer in high school classes, student council, and church youth groups, as well as the FFA. He maintained a 3.2 or B-plus grade average.

His father, too, was active in the FFA. Mr. Ford received the Junior Master Farmer Degree several years ago, and at the age of 20, earned the FFA's highest degree—American Farmer. He was the only Oklahoman to receive this honor in 1928.

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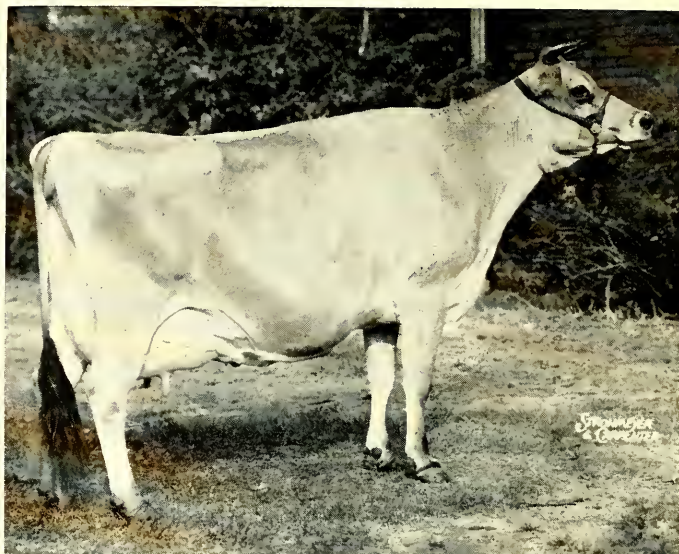
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A good loud yell goes well at a football game but scarcely any other place.

Introduce your friends or family. No one likes to stand in the wings forever.

Treat your elders with respect—those

of your family and others, too. Who knows, the others might be your future in-laws.

When shaking hands, remember your fingers are not boiled macaroni. Grasp and shake other hands firmly.

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Want to hear what others think about manners?

"When I meet a boy who is mannerly, I know immediately that he has the background of self-discipline needed to become an athlete." (From a High School coach.)

"Boys with good manners seldom appear in my office. Politeness and courtesy denote the proper kind of teaching at home. The boys I see do not usually have the proper home training." (Juvenile officer.)

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Are you convinced that manners matter? Is your manners quotient tops? Then stop spinning your wheels and do something about it!

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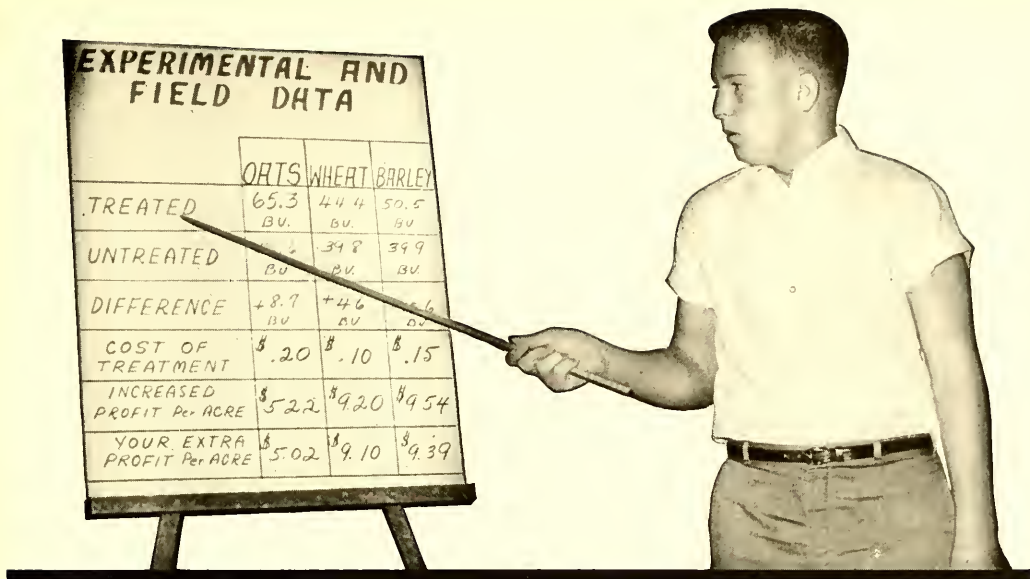
mittee. If not, someone needs to meet guests, take wraps, make introductions, and escort people to the proper places.

Then there's the question of flowers for mothers. No question about it . . . this is impressive! Some chapters offer a red rose, others a corsage. If yours doesn't, this might be a good year to try it.

An attractive welcome sign always is in good taste. "Welcome Mom and Dad" has been used with success. Whatever is chosen could match the cover on the banquet program.

Before seating, parents should be introduced to the guests around them. A good host will perform this chore, then help with the seating. One chapter in Colorado finds it a smooth operation to have each member seat his parents, then bring in howls of food from the kitchen to be served family style.

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By Stan Allen

JACK TWYMAN, six-foot, six-inch star forward of the Cincinnati Royals will become a member of the 10,000 point club this season. Jack is one of professional basketball's most highly regarded players and is playing in his seventh pro season.

Twyman is a native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where he attended Central Catholic High School. He played only one full season of basketball with Central although he earned all-city and all-state Catholic team honors. As a youngster, Jack had received a lot of help from his dad who had been a good player with a local team that played touring pro teams. Jack enrolled at the University of Cincinnati after high school and he made up experience with a lot of practice and determination. He became a top collegiate player and established many records at Cincinnati.

Jack was drafted by the Royals in the 1955 NBA draft and scored 1,038 points in his rookie season for a 14.4 point average. He was to improve consistently as he scored 1,174 points in the 1956-57 season and 1,237 in 1957-58. He hit the hoops for an average of .452 in field goals to lead the league. He turned in a fine pro performance in 1958-59 with 1,857 points and a 25.8 point average. This was good enough to earn him runner up honors in the NBA point race that year.

Jack's best year to date was the 1959-60 season when he netted 2,338 points for a fine 31.2 average. He was again second in league scoring and became the NBA's second-greatest one-season scorer. He broke 12 of the 20 Royals team records and holds a total of 17 team records. He also has eight of the principal Cincinnati Garden floor shooting marks. He enjoyed his best scoring night in the pro ranks against the Minneapolis Lakers with 21 of 39 field goals and 17 of 20 free throws for 59 points. He contributed a lot to the second place finish of the Royals in the Western Division that season.

Jack dropped to fifth in league scoring last year although he did hit on 49 percent of his field goals which was second in the league. He netted 1,997

points for a fine 25.3 average. Many of the experts contribute his minor slump to the rebuilding program the Royals began last year. Jack seems to have shaken the slump as he has gotten off to a good start this season, averaging almost 30 points a game so far.

Twyman, as a forward, is basically a shooter but he is also a good man on defense and a great team player. In 1957 he had his jaw broken but since the team was already injury ridden, he had his jaw wired up and played for two weeks that way. He hit for a .498 average too. He is deadly at the foul line as he has hit 75 percent of all of his free throws. A good man under the boards, he has picked off an average of 662 rebounds a season over the last three years. During this same time he has recorded an average of 231 assists per season. Jack has won All-Pro honors and has played in four East-West All-Star games.

Jack Twyman is a big man on the hardwood and an even bigger man off the courts. Maurice Stokes, a teammate, was stricken with a paralyzing illness in 1958 and it was Jack who volunteered his help. Jack raised almost \$50,000 to help with the medical expenses and his constant visits to the hospital were the big medicine—friendship. He even secured legal guardianship of his teammate. He was presented the annual sportsmanship awards by the Washington, D. C. Interfaith Committee and also New York City's Brotherhood Sportsmanship award, both mighty fine honors.



A big man on and off the courts . . . Jack Twyman, 6'6", Cincinnati Royals.

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Trapping for

Close attention to summer signs,
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helps assure more success in catching fur bearers.

By
Raymond Schuessler

Here is information on how to catch
some of the more common fur bearers.

WHAT A THRILL! You push a snow-laden branch aside and there in the trap is a big, fat mink. Quickly forgotten is the long walk from the start of the trap line, the brisk north wind, and the icy path along the creek.

Trapping is fun! It's also profitable, although the "good old days" are gone.

Pelts bring millions of dollars each year to American trappers.

A good place to start is to make a study of the animals in your area, along with their habits. Find out where they live, where they run, what their tracks look like, and where they eat. The accompanying chart will give you a great deal of this information. It's also best to

ANIMAL	TRAP	BAIT	HANDY ADVICE	WHAT TO EXPECT
SKUNK	No. 1 No. 2 or Box	None	Sharp blow on back will kill skunk in steel trap. Can avoid odor by drowning skunks caught in box traps.	Shallow pits dug in open fields are good signs; slight skunk odor in dwelling hole; droppings composed of hard insect parts.
MINK	No. 1	Chicken head; fish; rabbit head or muskrat	Place bait in hole near trap. Build stone enclosure for bait. Underwater traps are good.	Often find tracks in snow or sand near streams. Feed on fish, frogs, and crawfish.
WEASEL	No. 0 No. 1	Mice, Chicken head, Sparrow	Hang bait 10" above trap. Set traps under fences, fallen trees, or buildings.	Large northern weasels most valuable in winter when skin is white. Very destructive in poultry flocks. Makes two tracks in 12"-16" leaps.
OTTER	No. 3	None	Use double spring traps. Set 3" under water where animal will likely pass. Watch for their favorite water play spots.	Move about in daytime. Often seen fishing, playing, or sliding down banks into water. Check large water bodies. Fish are natural food.
OPOSSUM	No. 1 No. 2	Meat	Place bait behind or above trap. Is suspicious animal. Most common in central, eastern, and southern states.	Travels by night. Feeds on insects, fruit, small animals, and carrion. Climbs easily and builds small dens in hollow trees, logs, or rock crevices. Found in most woods.
RACCOON	No. 2 No. 3	Meat	Set traps at entrance to holes in banks, logs, or decayed tree bases. Underwater traps effective if equipped with mirror or bright tin.	Often find tracks on sandy shores. Sleeps during day in trees or on cliffs. Hunts food at night; feeds on fruit, corn, fish, and frogs. Also eats poultry and small animals.
MUSKRAT	No. 1 or Box	None. May use carrots, parsnips, sweet apples.	Set steel traps at burrow entrances with bait above trap or use box traps in streams.	Found mostly at night. When caught, will often tear off leg to escape unless drowning occurs. In summer, will make paths of clear water through herbage and mud.
FOX	No. 2 No. 3	Meat from fowl, woodchuck, muskrat, rabbit, or skunk.	Bait should be tainted. Don't allow dog to accompany. Destroy all trap odors by boiling or burying; then handle with gloves. Prepare trapping area before season opens and keep odor-free. Cover traps with dry earth, making everything as natural as possible. Keep away from traps after baiting.	Three types: red, gray, and kit. Red is most valuable and most elusive. Are all keen-scented and suspicious. Traps can be set in water springs. For land sets, put trap, chain, and stake in a hole, removing earth on cloth and carrying away. Can cover with thin paper or put cotton beneath pan. Foxes often follow trails. Animal carcasses attract attention.

PROFIT



check your state game regulations.

One good way to assure a successful season is to spend your spare time in the summer observing possible trap locations. Train yourself to spot all the little bits of evidence left by fur bearers—pathways, droppings, and tracks.

Since most farms are geared for high production nowadays, it might also pay you to give attention to animal cover. Fur yields the most when cultivated like other crops. Consider marshy places profitable acreage. Conserve the cover and food supply by fencing out live-stock. Let water plants and willow shoots grow along stream banks.

Maybe some of your farm is in the Soil Bank or under other conservation programs. This has been a boon to wild life in many areas and probably has improved the chances for trapping success in your locality.

Steel traps are most effective for most fur bearers. However cottontail rabbits can be caught in box traps

baited with apple cores, carrot, or pumpkin.

More humane steel traps than formerly used have been developed in recent years. This came about because many professional trappers became deeply concerned with the lives of the animals. One such trap—made out of heavy wire—is said to be even more efficient than the old leg-hold trap.

Scents are helpful if properly used, but they will not take the place of proper baits, care, and skill in making sets. Rain and snow may obliterate scents when traps and bait are still on the job. The chart will give you many of the other finer details.

As for marketing, the bulk of the fur crop is picked up by mail-order buyers. They contact the trapper through advertisements in newspapers and farm and outdoor publications. When they receive furs, they grade them and mail back an offer. The average fur trapper will probably name a long list of buyers.

Some trappers sell to one or two houses regularly, but the average trapper shops around from season to season. Old established dealers with a reliable reputation are the safest bet. By all means, learn to grade your furs.

The primeness of a pelt is determined by an examination of both the fur side and the leather side. And since primeness depends to a large extent on weather conditions, you should refrain from setting your traps until you are certain the animals are in peak season. A check at the local library should provide you with information on how to skin the animals and dry the pelts.

Skins should be packed for shipment in cloth or burlap and they should be laid leather side against leather. Wrap fine furs individually in absorbent paper or cloth. Sew the bundle tight and make the package big enough that the skins can be laid out.

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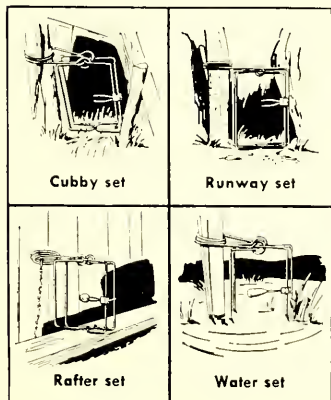
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Carther Ray Buchanan
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Lugging a huge fish, an angler met another fishing enthusiast whose catch consisted of 12 small ones. "Howdy," said the first man as he gingerly laid down his fish and waited for a comment.

The other fellow stared for a few moments, then calmly responded, "Just caught the one, eh?"

Kenneth Nunemaker
Spearville, Kansas

Country Squire: "Why not stand up straight? I bow my head to no man."

Farmer: "See that field of grain, Squire? Only the empty heads stand up; those that are well filled, bow low."

Bobby Wood
Broken Bow, Oklahoma

"I wonder," remarked the disgusted fisherman, "if a fish goes home and lies about the size of the bait he stole."

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Psychiatrist: "I wouldn't worry about your son making mud pies and eating them. That's quite normal."

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Traffic sign in a small town: *Slow*
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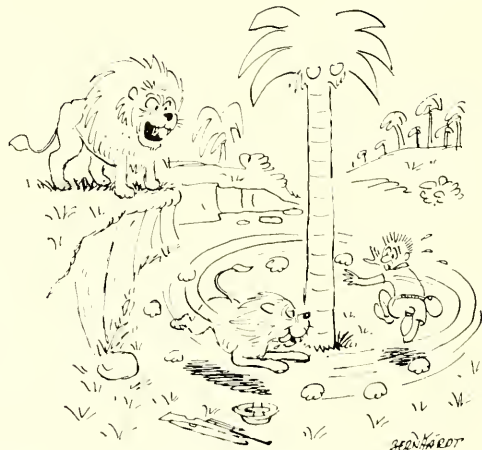
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Husband: "Dear, I have tickets for the theater."

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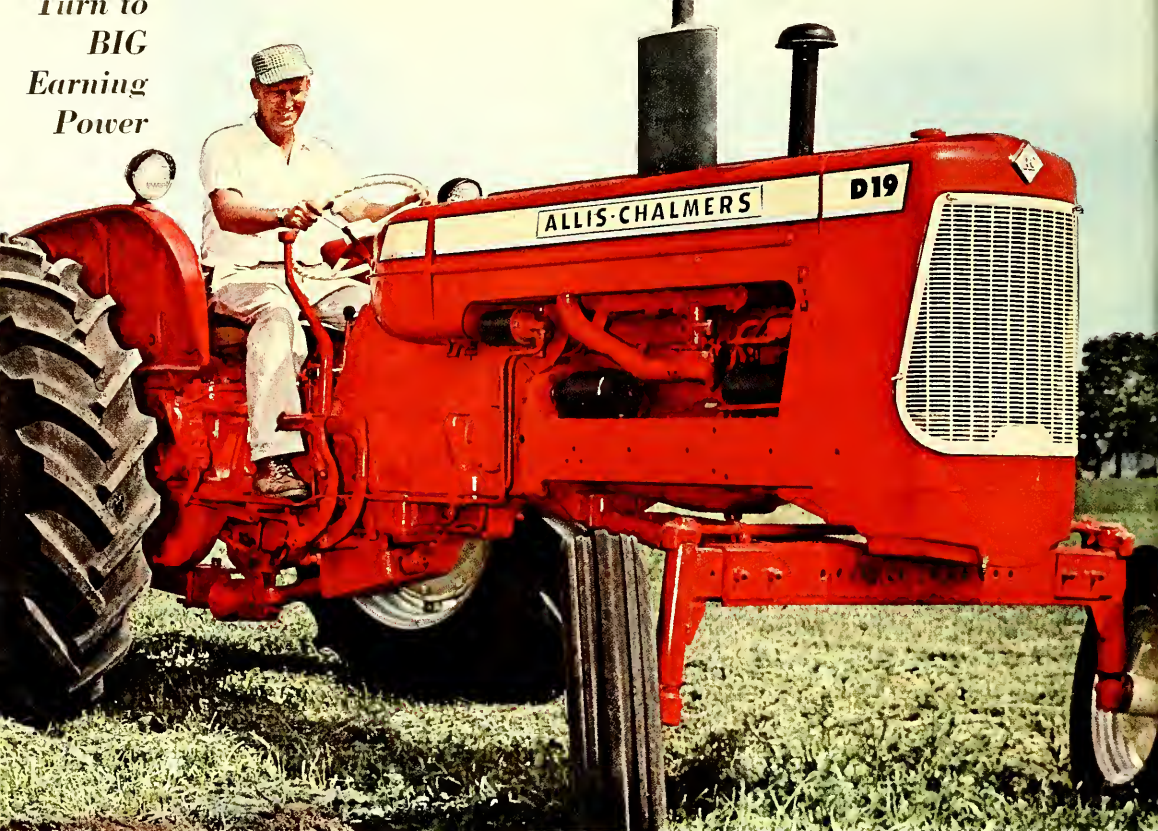
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