

Field Day Stresses

More County Pork

More than 125 area farmers attended a special Hog Field day Wednesday at the John Hess farm, southwest of Willow Street. The program was sponsored as a Ralston Purina event with James Maw, eastern livestock manager of the company as featured speaker.

Maw told the audience "Low conversion ratios and price differential between this area and the Corn Belt, coupled with shrink losses in transport of hogs from that region, places farmers in Lancaster county in a position to compete with western hog producers. You cannot produce pork cheaper, but by using quantity production and good management weaning 17 pigs per sow per year you

proximity to good markets puts you in a favorable competitive position," he said. Carl Dalton, Kunzler buyer, told the group that the consuming public wants pork from the meat-type hog, and must receive it or they will turn to other meats. A baked pork lunch was served to the audience on the Field Day grounds.

O'Hara New Lanc. Market Reporter



James O'Hara

James O'Hara, 26, Navy veteran who attended high school in New York City and was graduated in June, 1957 from Panhandle A&M College, Goodwell, Oklahoma, has been named as USDA Market News Service reporter for Lancaster Stock Yards. O'Hara, although city-bred, took part in a summer work program on farms while attending Jamaica high school in New York City. His interest in farming grew and after naval service he enrolled in Animal Husbandry at the Oklahoma college located in the southern Great Plains region. Following his entry into Market Reporting last June, O'Hara spent three months as a trainee at Louisville, Kentucky and was transferred to South St. Joseph, Mo. He was due for transfer to Lancaster this summer, but the scheduled arrival of his six-week-old daughter, Kathleen Ann, delayed USDA operations in that respect. Mrs. O'Hara is the former Rose Myers, of Baker, Oklahoma. The O'Haras will make their home in Lancaster.

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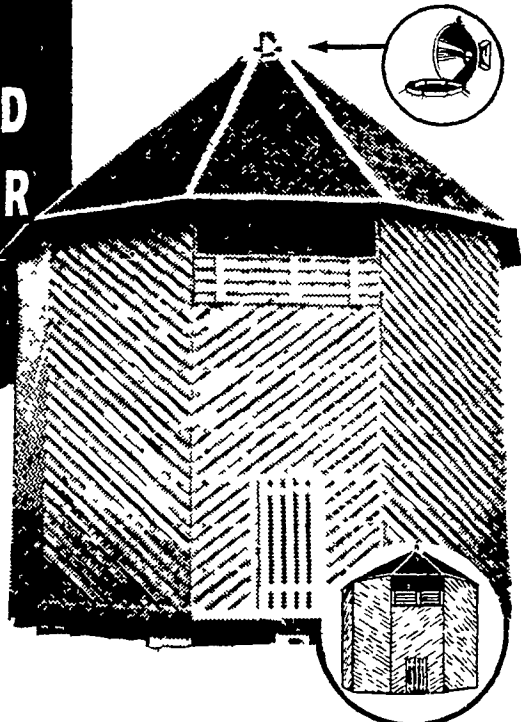
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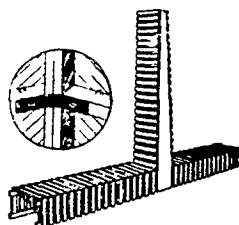
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