

Secretary Says Farmers Need To Convert Land

WASHINGTON — "Until land is moved out of production into alternative uses, there will be a need for commodity programs," Secretary of Agriculture Orville L. Freeman told Newspaper Farm Editors Association members, Tuesday.

Freeman predicted that recreation will be the largest single income producer on the farm in 20 years. He said we need a broadened economic base for rural America through rural development programs coupled with food programs to imaginatively and creatively use our abundance for the good of the public.

Freeman roasted the leadership of the American Farm Bureau Federation for what he called "A complete disservice to agriculture and to members" for the organization's action in opposition to the recently passed cotton-wheat bill.

He said members of the AFBF were "running up and down the hill with a loaf of bread carrying the label 'Bread Tax,'" in an emotional play on the prejudice of the consumer against the farmer.

"We do not need to feed the prejudices of the consumer. I cannot understand their action. I believe it was a complete disservice to both the cause of the farmer and to members of the organization," he said.

The Secretary said the AFBF was the only major farm organization not in support of the legislation.

The attack came in answer

to a question, "Does the coalition of farm organizations in support of the farm bill mean the demise of general farm organizations?"

Freeman said he feels that the farm organizations are becoming stronger and more powerful, but that there appears to be an effort on the part of most of the farm groups to present a united front on legislation.

Farm Editors Present Awards

WASHINGTON — The Newspaper Farm Editors, Monday night, awarded the J S Russell Memorial award to Rex Conn, farm editor of the Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Gazette, and Bill Durham, farm editor of the Houston, Texas, Post.

The award, in memory of the first president of the national organization, is awarded each year to a member for distinguished service to agriculture. The late J S Russell was long-time farm editor of the Des Moines Register and Tribune.

The farm editors, meeting in their annual conference with members of congress, farm leaders and others, presented the awards at a Monday night banquet at the National Press Club.

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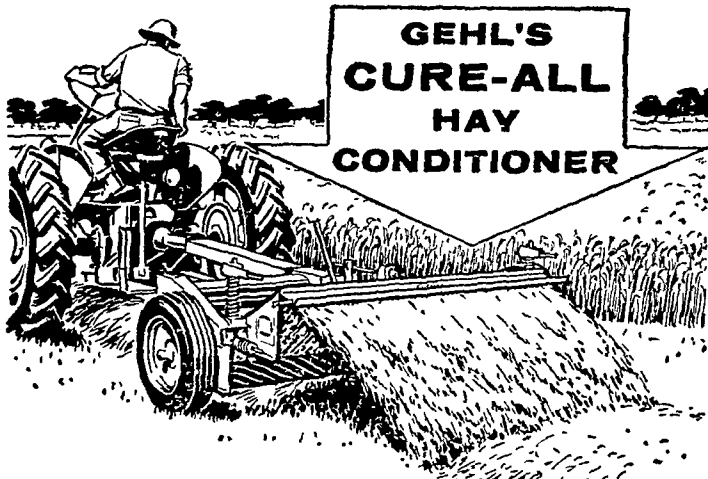
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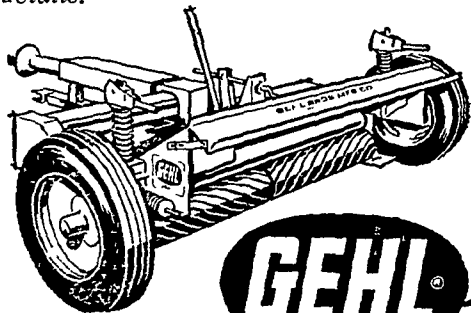
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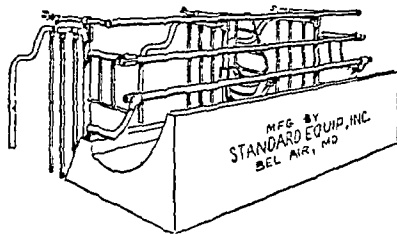
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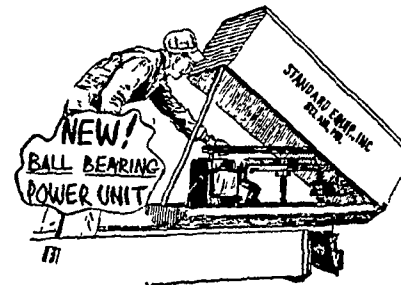
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