

Jaycees Promote Swine Projects For FFA

The New Holland Jaycees recently introduced a plan to provide swine projects for four members of the Grassland Chapter Future Farmers of America of Garden Spot High School.

Through these efforts the Jaycees will encourage interest in agriculture and in quality swine production, and will help FFA members to learn proper feeding of livestock.

The projects will be completed by the boys and shown in the FFA Swine Show and

sale, during the last week of July.

The boys won the Jaycees pig projects by competing in an essay contest. Each wrote on how he would feed and care for the pigs if he won. The essays were judged by a panel of area swine breeders, and the four winners were: Merlin Snader, Kenneth Zimmerman, Robert Fisher and Galen Yoder.

The project pigs were selected from the farms of John W. Eby, Raymond H. Weaver, Tony Folker, and Stauffer Homestead. The pigs were selected at about forty pounds, and will be placed on a feeding program designed to finish them out at 220 pounds in time for the FFA show and sale.



WINNERS OF JAYCEE SWINE PROJECTS are shown holding the pigs they will feed out. Left to right the Grassland FFA boys are: Merlin Snader, Kenneth Zimmerman, Robert Fisher, and Galen Yoder. Standing are two members of the New Holland Jaycees, Jim Houck, president; and Jim Cebular, chairman of the agriculture committee.

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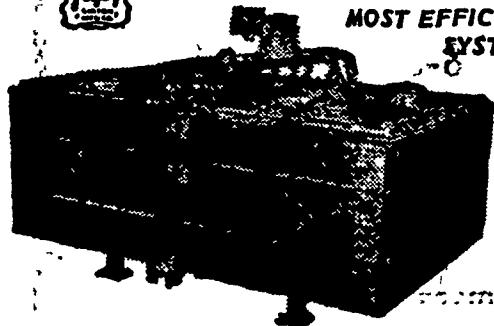
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Horsfall. "This means we can now feed the people, but for how long?" He believes the problem of feeding the growing population must be solved within the next 15 years.

Expanding the acreage used for growing food will not be sufficient. There is no reasonable chance for such expansion in the hungry lands, he believes. And, in the United States, one million acres are lost to urbanization each year. The 50 million acres in the soil bank includes land of poorer quality that will not greatly improve food supplies.

Nor is exporting American agricultural know-how as easy as it sounds, Horsfall said. "How do you help an impoverished nation? They are proud nations, fearful of the possibility of imperialism.

Working with local institutions is not always easy, or even possible." Local institutions are geared to another pattern; the problems of widely differing religious and ethical standards and anti-scientific attitudes are difficult to solve, he stated.

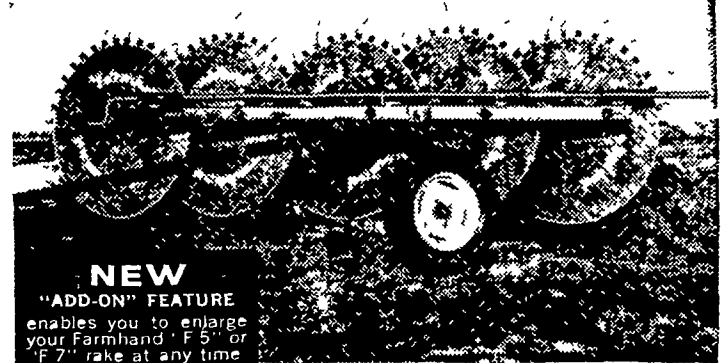
Nonetheless, they have been solved in at least two programs that were successfully aimed at helping hungry nations. These successful programs, the Rockefeller project in Mexico and the MacArthur project in Japan, should mold national policy in the future, Horsfall suggested.

agricultural science to solve the world's food problem. "We accept the challenge," Horsfall said. "But, how about the time lag?" It took 20 years for hybrid corn to be accepted, 14 years for weed-killers, and eight years for Zineb. "We haven't time to wait," he warned. In brief, he concluded, the Colleges of Agricultural Sciences in every state of the union face the challenge to do their best to provide solutions to the food crisis ahead.

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