

# Lancaster Farming

## SECOND SECTION

### U. S. Is Still Land Of Plenty In World Of Want

Overproduction of food and diminishing land resources are the United States' paramount agricultural problems in a world where half the population is either hungry or poorly nourished. While demographers and other social scientists ponder the consequences of the world's 3½ billion population that is expected to double in 30 years, U S agricultural experts must find new ways to distribute an overabundance of crops or else shrink production and shift some farm land to other uses. The paradox of the land of plenty in a world of want was in evidence this week at the third annual Maryland Agricultural Forum in College Park. Expressing a doubt that the population ever will outstrip food production, economist Richard Goodman of Washington, D. C., pointed out that agriculture has the "potential to produce food for all the people." But the vice president of Cook and Company underscored the problems of food distribution and "food quality — rather than food quantity."

There are people everywhere who maintain themselves well calorie-wise, but not nutrition-wise, he said, as well as those who do not have the income to buy more and better food. Commenting on national agricultural policies, Dr Goodman indicated "We have to find new ways of selling or else shrink production. We need to aid farmers in (converting) land to non-agricultural uses. However (government) programs should cost less than they do now."

Representing University of Maryland's agricultural economists, Dr. Russell F McDonald reported that agriculture and related businesses add "\$1.2 billion" to the Free State's economy. In the future, Dr McDonald projects that "farmers will become managers of carefully integrated more - mechanized farms that are production factories. "Food processors will be more diversified. Competition will be based on innovation rather than on price. Food retail stores will offer more than 8,000 products



SHOWING THE HATCHING EGGS IN THE Hubbard Farms, Inc. new plant located at the junction of Routes 501 and 722 at Neffsville. The demonstration via closed circuit television was part of an open house celebration at the new facility last Friday. Featured speaker was Leland H. Bull, Pa. Secretary of Agriculture, and Benjamin Weaver, Chairman of Lancaster County Commissioners gave the welcome.

### Stauffer Buys \$5350 Cow At Golden Harvest

The Golden Harvest Sale and the Garden Spot Sale were held at the Guernsey Sale Pavilion last Friday. The Golden Harvest Sale averaged \$1027 on 59 head which is the highest average on any Holstein consignment sale for this many head in the United States this year. Top of the sale at \$5350 was an Ivanhoe granddaughter consigned by Hilltop Farm Suffield, Conn and purchased by Clarence Stauffer, Ephrata. This cow's baby bull calf brought \$1150 going to Francis Gomez in Conn. There were two contending bidders from California over \$5000 on the top cow. In the Garden Spot Sale, 58 head averaged \$450 and this included youngsters. Top was a bull consigned by Karl and Warren Hertzler, Elizabethtown. He was purchased for \$1100 by a syndicate of New England breeders.

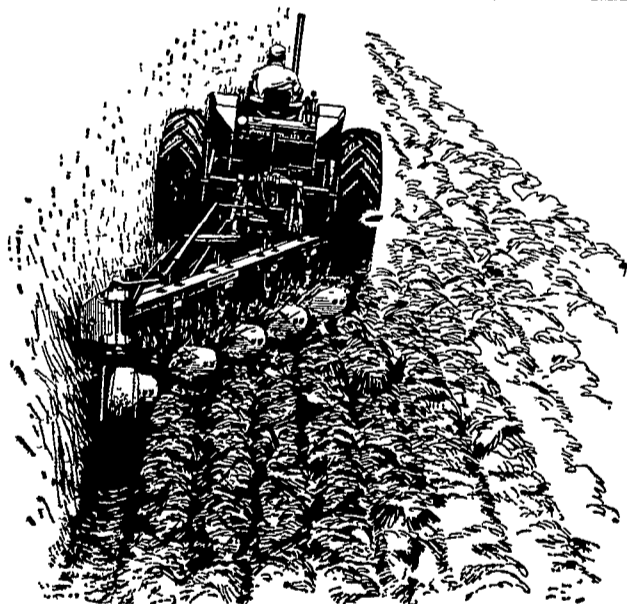
and greater services such as vid eophone ordering and delivery "Government services to private sectors will become more sophisticated" "Land is a non-renewable resource," emphasized Dr. Gordon M Cairns, Dean of the College of Agriculture, University of Maryland, and chairman of Gov. Spiro Agnew's Commission on the Preservation of Agricultural Land. Once, agricultural acreage was evaluated for production purposes only. Today, the allocation of total land resources for the economy of the country must be considered—including planning, zoning and tax assessment — when property is moved out of agricultural production, he said. Mrs. Margaret Dana of the Consumer Research Council, Doylestown, Pa., observed that this country must soon decide whether there will be "free choice or dictated choice" for the consumer. "Dictated choice occurs when government, industry or philanthropic research agency influ-

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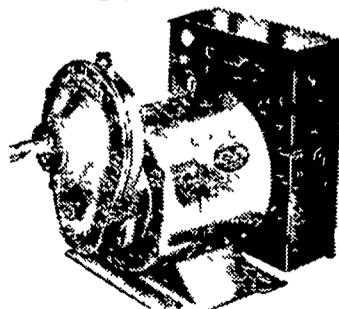
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