

### Jay Howes, National Holstein Winner

James (Jay) F. Howes of Newtown, Pennsylvania, has been designated the winner of the 1969 National Distinguished Junior Member Contest sponsored by Holstein-Friesian Association of America. He is the 19 year old son of Mr and Mrs James L. Howes. The family owns and operates a Registered Holstein herd in Bucks County. Jay won top honors among a field of contestants from 32 states in the young men's division.

His winning mate is Miss Elaine Furu of Michigan, who competed with 30 other girls. Both will receive special recognition and awards at the 84th Annual Meeting of Holstein-Friesian Association of America to be held June 11 and 12 at the Disneyland Hotel, Anaheim, California. The convention trip is sponsored cooperatively by the Pennsylvania Holstein Association and HFAA. Jay received national recognition in this contest a year ago when he was se-



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lected as the records award winner and designated as one of our finalists.

Entries in the contest are judged

ed on record keeping ability and included is an evaluation of the breeding program and management practices followed. The young people given national recognition have provided leadership in their school and community, demonstrated a variety of interests and through their actions are preparing themselves to become respected and useful citizens.

An example of Jay's record keeping ability lies in the fact that while his records submitted for the contest were complete and very comprehensive, the total contents or "thickness" of the record book was much less than most of those submitted. The array of school and community activities and achievements go from vice president of the Student Council to assisting with the maintenance of the village library. While lettering in varsity high school track and baseball, he maintained an active involvement with the entire dairy farm operation at home. Jay is presently a freshman at Cornell University, having been selected as a Cornell National Scholar.

In answer to special questions, Jay indicates that "the primary role or function of the registered segment of the livestock industry is to provide a source of high quality animals for both the commercial breeder in this country and for export needs." He relates the means of doing this effectively year after year as the principal challenge confronting breed organizations. After a slow start—his first animal had no heifer calves and the second one was a low producer, Jay is today, truly an outstanding junior Holstein breeder.

Four finalists have also been announced. To receive special plaques in behalf of the members of the Holstein-Friesian Association of America are Keith Funk of Illinois, Roger Peterson of Iowa, David Thompson of Minnesota and Charles Fletcher of Virginia. The national breed organization currently reports more than 13,800 active junior members.

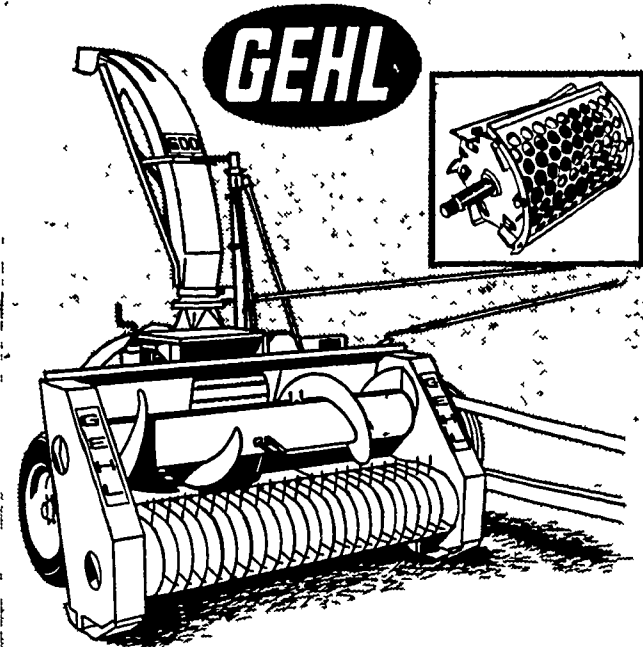
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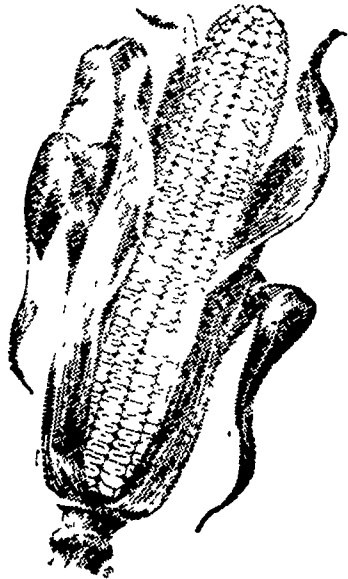
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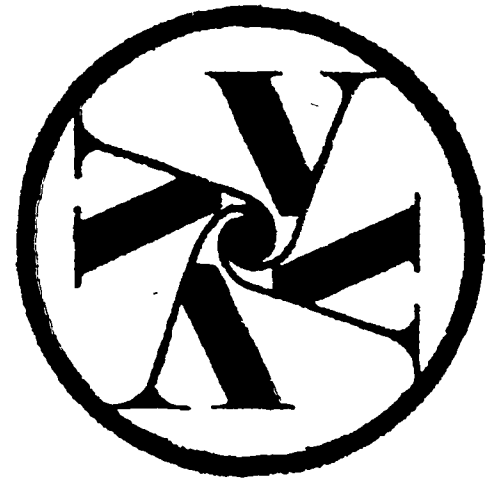
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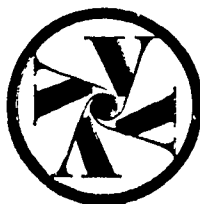


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