



Longenecker is shown in one of 20 pens in his new automated pig barn at Elizabethtown RD1. He is standing in front

of the feeding bin. The pipe behind him unit. (For complete story, see Page 9 of Lancaster Farming's March 21 edition.)

Get Ready For Spring

"Are you really ready for spring or are you just going to wait until it falls upon you?" asks Dr. Francis R. Gouin, Extension horticulturist at the University of Maryland.

Getting ready for spring now will make it much easier on you when 'spring fever' hits and hundreds of pressing garden chores come tumbling off your long list of things to do.

For instance, have you repaired and painted the garden furniture yet? Dr. Gouin wants to know. Have you sharpened and painted all your garden tools, have you ordered your seeds and fertilizers, did you decide to put in a patio this year, if so where will it go and what will it look like?

These are just a few of the springtime chores and decisions that will be facing you in the next few weeks. Dr. Gouin points out, and unless you get some of them out of the way in your spare time now, you will find yourself doing wintertime chores in mid-summer!

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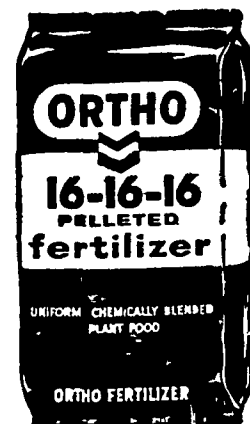
The increasing stature of U.S. rice exports has occurred despite loss of Cuba as a customer.

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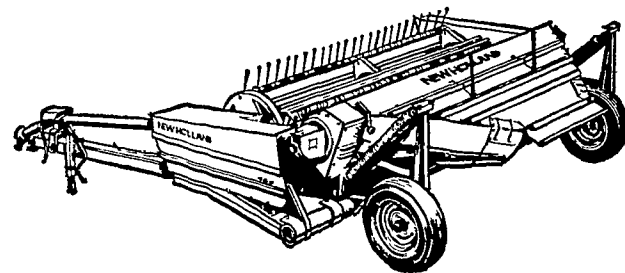
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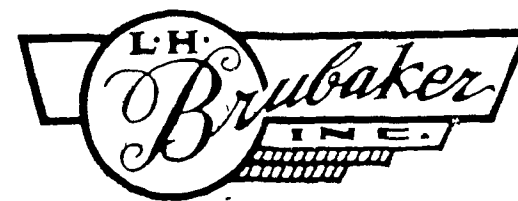
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