ABS given award

DeFOREST, Wis. - More than 170 members and guests of The Newcomen Society of North America met recently in Madison, Wis., to honor American Breeders Service and its president, Dr. Robert E. Walton.

The Newcomen Society is a nonprofit, educational corporation, chartered to increase knowledge and appreciation of the free enterprise system through the study of business, industrial and institutional history.

In response to this honor, Dr. Walton stated, "ABS is a company dedicated to creating genetically superior bulls and distributing their superiority via artifical insemination to improve cattle around the world." He traced A.I. from its earliest beginnings, through the establishment of ABS by J. Rockefeller Prentice, to the company's present position of leadership in the A.I. industry. He offered an indepth view of the ABS growth and company philosophy.



Dr. Robert Walton left, receives a distinguished service award on behalf of the company he presides over - American Breeders Service.

Dr. Walton emphasized, "All of us at ABS are proud of the heritage of our company, of the pioneers who laid the groundwork and established the principles so well, of additional contributions to the world's food supply as a result of our work, and of the increased productivity

profitability our customers enjoy as a result of our service.

ABS, a division of W. R. Grace & Co., is the world's largest beef and dairy cattle insemination firm and supplies frozen semen to all 50 states, Canada and 45 and foreign countries.

FFA hosted ag educators

conference. The week long

event was sponsored by

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—The nation's largest annual student convention got underway here last week as 20,000 Future Farmers of America, their advisors and guests gathered in for the 49th National FFA Convention. A special feature of this year's convention was the 1st World Conference in Agricultural Education for Youth and Adult Leaders. FFA members hosted 200 representatives of rural youth organizations from twenty five countries. On the convention floor Future Farmers heard keynote speeches from "The World's Strongest Man" and the astronaut with the longest recorded time on the moon.

In 1st World Conference in Agricultural Education being held in conjunction with the National FFA Convention, brought students and representatives from around the world together to participate in panel discussions, International Ag Olympics, and participation in joint sessions of the FFA Convention. While in Kansas City, international guests had the opportunity to share and exchange ideas with some of the 20,000 FFA members attending the convention. The mitial idea of the conference came from a 1970 National FFA Convention International Committee Report. Last year a playing committee with representatives from around the world met in Kansas City to finalize plans for the upcoming world

Massey Ferguson Inc., Des Moines, Iowa, as a special project of the National FFA Foundation, Inc.

Of the 20,000 in attendance about 4000 were advisors, parents, school administrators, and others with special interest in the Future Farmers of America. Business of the National

FFA Convention was conducted entirely by the organizations's 121 student delegates, all of whom are in high school or who have just graduated within the last year. The delegates, who represent 500,385 members from the United States and Puerto Rico, arrived a day early to participate in committee meetings.





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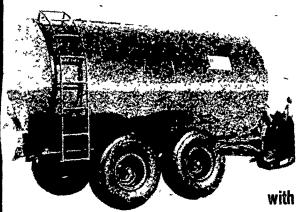
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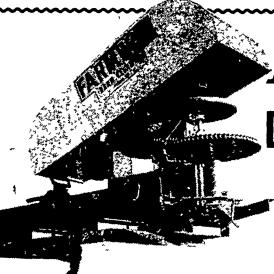
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