

Ida's Notebook

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There are just too many things to do this month. The rain not only makes the vegetables grow but also the weeds in my garden. I should be out there hoeing instead of writing this but I suppose they'll wait a bit longer.

As I pass the iris bed (my daughter sent them from Portland and the flowers were huge and varied), I pause to pull some tall grass along the edge. Hurriedly I throw the weeds over the meadow fence and rush for another bucket to pick the balance of the sugar peas.

In the Winter people say, "Call me when the peas are ready", but when I do, they are too busy to prepare them.

The pork roast and potatoes should be put in the oven. And, I know my husband would appreciate some shortcake to go with the strawberries that I've just picked, so I start the meal a little earlier than usual.

The program for our 4-H Community Club should be planned and typed. But there are many phone calls before everything is finalized. Oh yes, Cindy would like me to type her "story" for the 4-H Blue Form and it is late at night. When I discovered that I'd typed two lines on the rubber roll of the

typewriter and now had to retype the whole page, I knew it was time to give up and go to bed.

Of course I'm not the only one who is busy. The men got the corn planted late due to the wet weather, a newly paved lane that we couldn't drive on and a lot of manure to haul. And don't forget the stones to be picked up and several fresh cows all the same day.

Then of course something always breaks and I'm sent for a bearing, a seal, a bracket, etc.

I'm looking forward to a breather although I have no idea when that might be unless driving our daughter and new grandson to New York could be considered one.



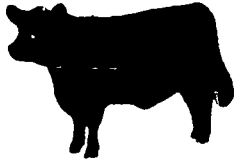
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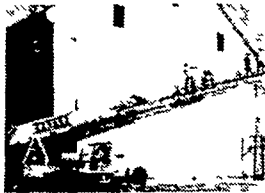
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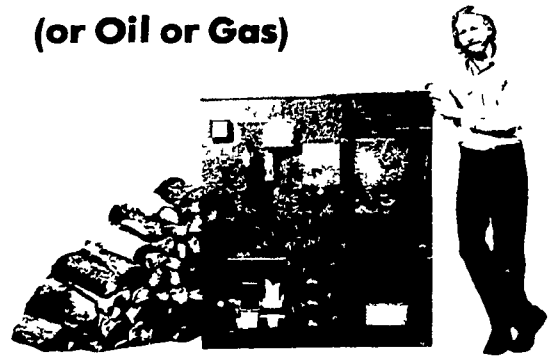
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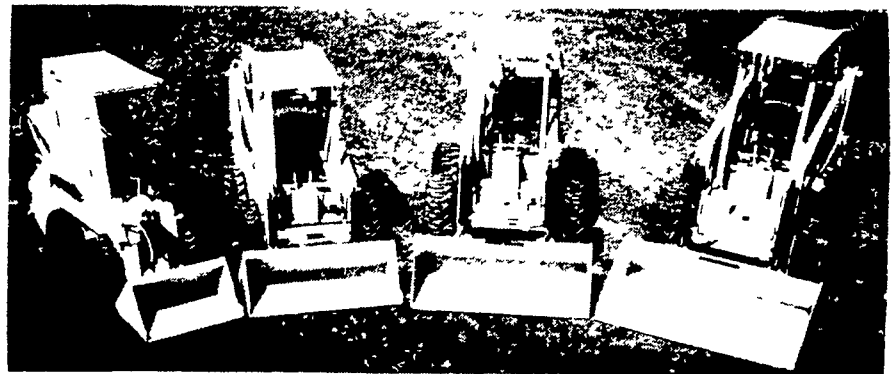
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