

FFA'ers to receive Nat'l Chapter awards

KANSAS CITY, MO. — Superior performance in activities involving leadership, scholarship and community service will qualify 107 of the nation's most active chapters of the Future Farmers of America (FFA) to receive that organization's National Gold Emblem Award.

Ceremonies conferring that award on those select few, chosen from over 8,000 FFA chapters in the nation, will be held in Kansas City at the National FFA Convention.

The FFA's National Chapter Award encourages FFA chapters and members to actively participate in a wide variety of educational activities in vocational agriculture/FFA. In addition to the "Gold Emblem" presentations, 178 chapters will receive the "Silver Emblem" award and another 80 will be honored with the "Bronze Emblem" award.

Chapters earn the award for their activities in 11 areas of chapter in-

volvement prescribed by the National FFA Organization.

To be eligible for the National Chapter Award, FFA chapters submit an application listing their chapter's performance in the following 11 areas: supervised agricultural experience program; cooperative buying, selling and assistance to members; community service; leadership development; sound programs of earnings, savings; and investments; proper conduct of meetings; scholarship; recreation; public relations; State and National activities; and Alumni relations.

The application form is judged first by the State FFA Association and top State applications are then submitted for National evaluation. Each of the 50 State FFA Associations is permitted to enter two applications or 10% of the applications of chapters earning a superior rating in state competition. Judging of the award applications in National competition was conducted in Alexandria, Virginia, under the supervision of the National FFA Organization.

Chapters named for the National Chapter Award receive a special plaque or, in the case of those who have

previously received a plaque, a spur for attachment to the plaque. The awards are provided by the National FFA Foundation, Inc.

Some chapters earning awards are:

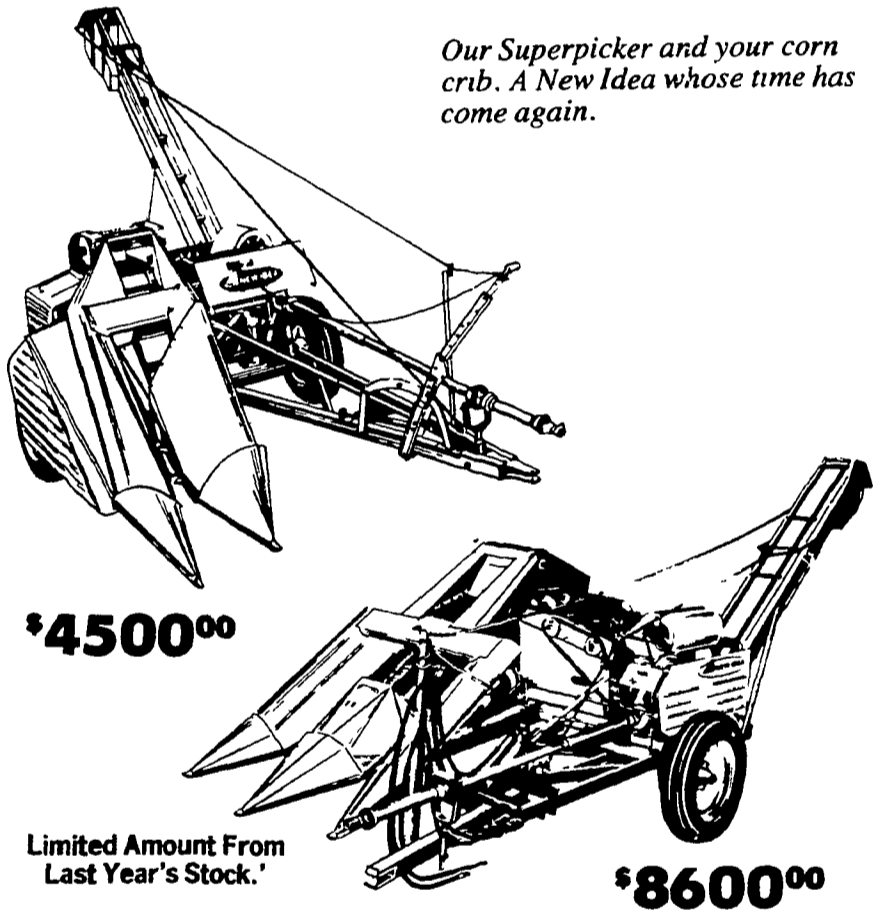
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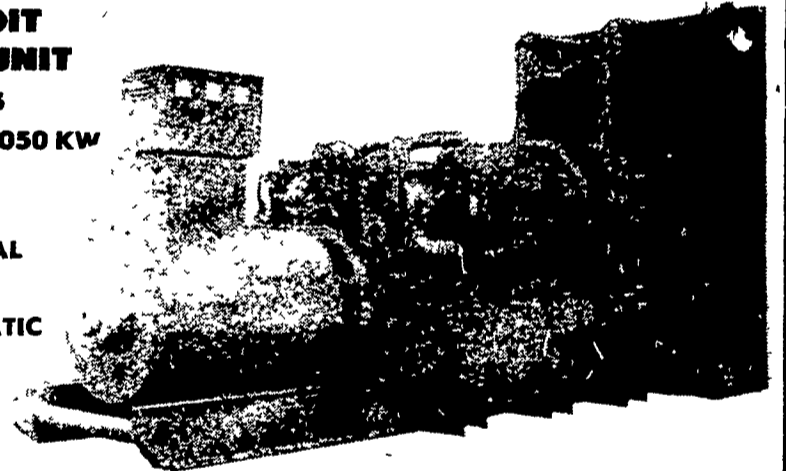
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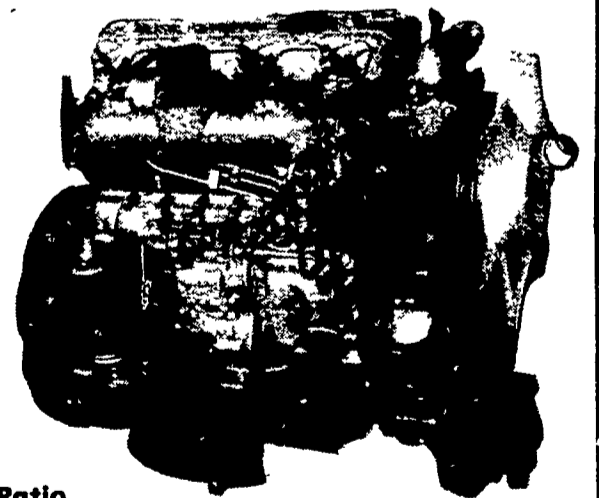
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