

Food problem worldwide

AMES, IOWA — The world food problem is of overriding importance to the United States today according to Ross Talbot, editor of *World Food Problem and U.S. Politics and Policies: 1979-1980*, just published by the Iowa State University Press.

He adds, "No other issue, except for the superior danger from nuclear warfare, is so centrally and crucially dominated by the United States."

The authors of the papers in this new book trace the development of the food problem from the trends of the 1950's when the United States "could feed the world" through the Vietnam war when "food aid" evolved into "food power," to the development of the OPEC bloc of nations with its "oil

power" versus "food power" that has begun a confrontation altering the economic picture of the world.

Papers cover the viewpoints of various governmental agencies; provide global food assessments; identify crisis countries, examine world grain situations; plot population growth; project food demand, and forecast agricultural developments in the emerging nations.

Continuing papers discuss the plight of the enormous flood of refugees, project a world population to 2000 A.D.; assess the prospect of future development; the role of the American farmer, and the efficacy of foreign aid.

Discussed too are food aid, the grain agreement with the People's Republic of China, the Soviet grain

embargo, exports and imports, and national and international grain reserves.

Final chapter-papers deal with future strategies in world food problem-solving.

Talbot expresses the three sub-themes of his book: there is a general consensus that the world food problem is an issue of critical importance, but there are strong and continuing ideological disagreements concerning (1) the causes and dimensions of the world food problem; (2) the legitimate role of international institutions in the search for ways and means to alleviate the problem; and (3) the policy directions which should be adopted by U.S. political in-

situations as food policy issues come on to the national policy agenda.

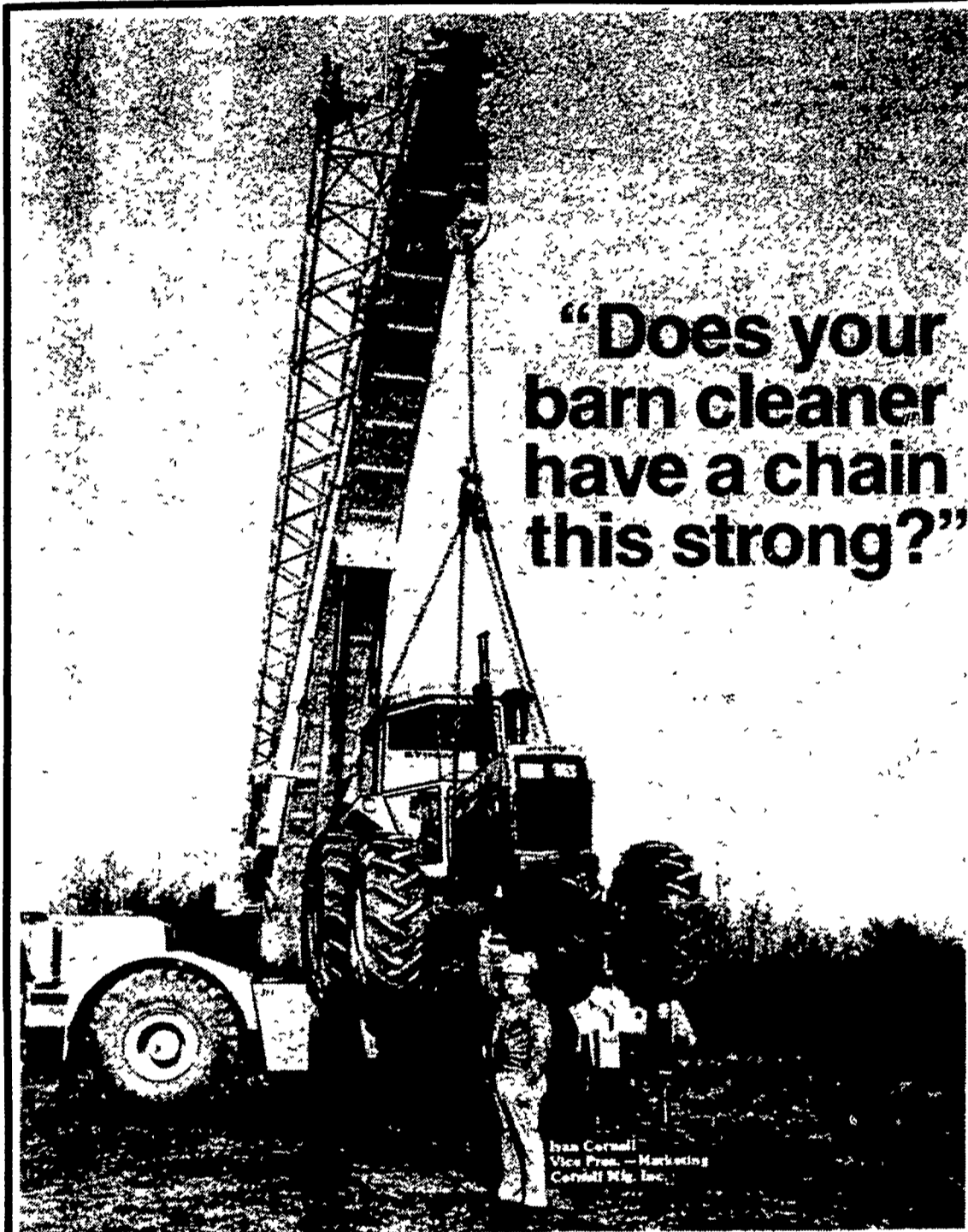
World Food Problem and U.S. Politics and Policies: 1979-1980 is designed to provide a fairly detailed background for those who want to know what the principle aspects of the problem are, what is being done in terms of international and U.S. policies to meet this challenge, and why the United States has such a dominant role in this particular issue.

The fourth in a series on the world food problem beginning with a study of conditions from 1972-1976, this new book will be of interest to farmers, newspaper editors, farm journal editors, food

industry persons, policy-making governmental personnel, agricultural extension people, college and university educators, and, to a limited degree, to the general public. It is available from bookstore or from the Iowa State University Press. The price of the book is \$12.50.

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Here's an easy salad to round out a springtime meal: combine two cups cottage cheese with one-half cup finely shredded carrot, one-fourth cup chopped green pepper, three tablespoons finely chopped green onion and pepper to taste. Cover and chill, then serve on lettuce garnished with carrot curls. (Yield: approx. 3 cups).



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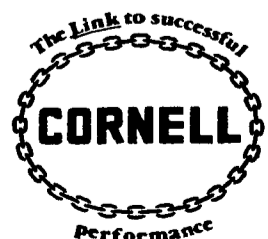
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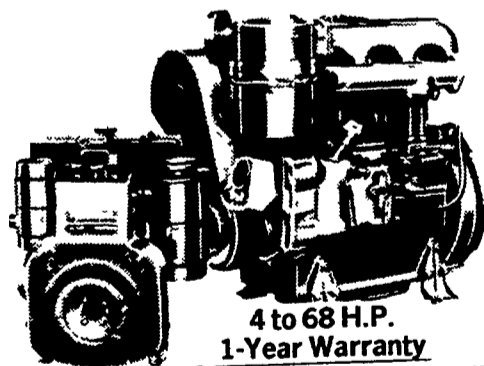
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