

# Ag Council of America holds elections

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Lawrence V. Gray, a Nampa, Idaho, farmer, has been elected chairman of the Agriculture Council of America for a one-year term.

Gray, owner of LV. Gray Farms Inc., succeeds Roger Clark, a cattle-and-corn producer from Brady, Neb., and vice chairman of Farmland Industries.

Lawrence and Mary Lou Gray and two of their three sons grow potatoes, sugar beets, mint, beans, spinach, sweet corn, barley and silage corn.

Gray has been active on the Idaho Bean Commission since the 1960's and also participates in school board, Beet Growers Association, Idaho Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service Committee and University of Idaho Agriculture Consulting Council activities. He has been active in ACA since 1975.

Other officers chosen by the board of directors at their recent

annual meeting in Washington were Adrian J. Polansky of Belleville, Kan., the National Association of Wheat Growers and the Kansas Wheat Commission, chairman-elect; Floyd Wahlgren of Gothenburg, Neb., and the Nebraska Corn Development, Utilization and Marketing Board; and Gene N. Weih of Tipton, the Iowa Corn Promotion Board. All are active farmers.

Allen Paul of Washington, D.C., chief executive officer of the nationwide independent, nonprofit association since its formation in 1973, was reappointed president.

The members of ACA at their annual meeting voted to

Re-elect to the board of directors for one-year terms, in addition to Gray, Hugh Flanders of International Harvester, Chicago; E.L. Hatcher, Lamar, Colo.; NAWG, Colorado Wheat Growers Association and a past ACA chairman; Ronald Hoener, Pratt, Kan.; NAWG and the Kansas

Association of Wheat Growers; David Phillipson, the Upjohn Co., Kalamazoo, Mich.; Melvin Sprecher, Land O'Lakes, Sauk City, Wis.; Ronald E. Vavrna, Vacin, Inc., Clarkson, Neb.; National Farm & Power Equipment Dealers Association, and David Wothke, ELANCO Products Co., Indianapolis, Ind.

Elect Paul Brower of Gold Kist, Inc., Atlanta Ga., to the board of directors for one year, replacing Jean Rice of Gold Kist.

Elect Robert W. Bryan of Southern States Cooperative, Richmond, Va., to complete the unexpired term (one year) on the board of directors of Paul Mullinix of Southern States, who had resigned.

The new board of directors, in addition to electing officers, re-elected to the 1982 executive committee Clark, Flanders Phillipson, and Vavrna and Harold House, Louis Dreyfus Corp., Stamford, Conn.; Robert C.

Lanphier III, DICKEY-john Corp., Auburn, Ill., and Fred W. Thorne, Deere & Company, Moline, Ill.

Jack Felgenhauer of NAWG and the Washington State Wheat Commission, Spokane, was newly elected to the executive committee.

The directors also gave final approval to a series of organizational changes and by-laws amendments that will become fully effective in 1983. Major changes include reductions in the size of the board of directors (from maximums of 51 to 25) and the executive committee, elimination of the office of vice chairman, a new dues schedule and formulas for funding of special projects and creation of a new board of delegates.

Under that structure, the board of delegates — through which voting rights of members will be exercised — will elect the board of directors and recommend positions on programs and

operations. The smaller board of directors will assume greatly increased responsibility for direction of the organization, although the executive committee will continue to be appointed by the board and to direct the staff. Standing committees on both programs and organizational matters will advise the boards.

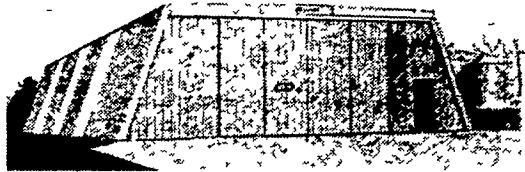
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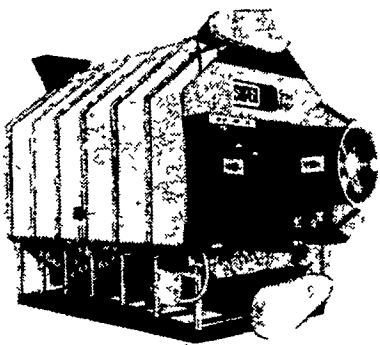
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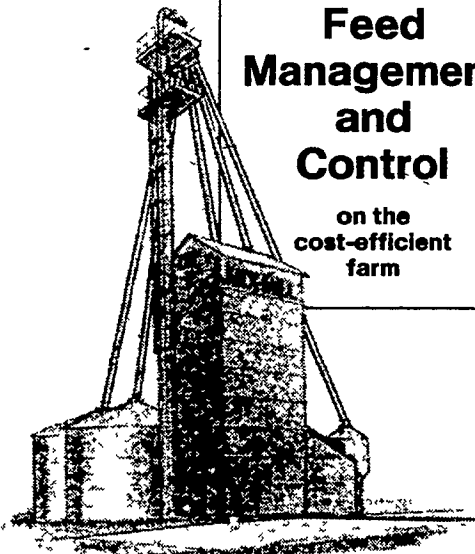
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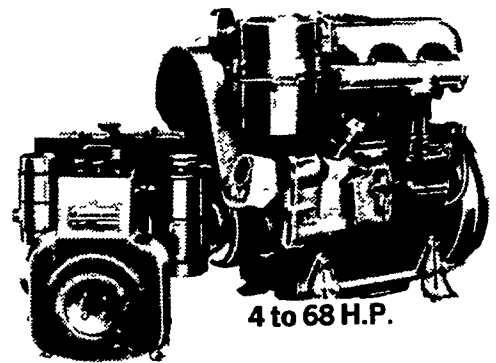
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