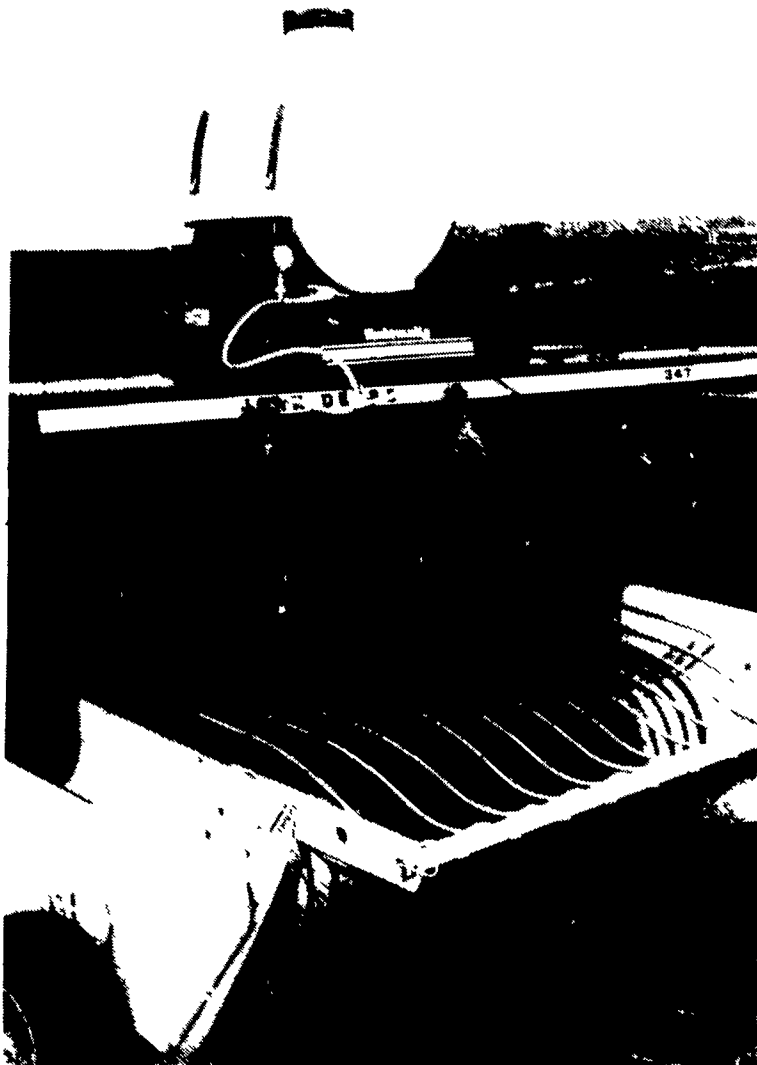




## BUSINESS NEWS...

### Automatic Applicator For Corn Silage



Mount an Automatic Applicator on your blower or roller mill and treat silage as it goes into the silo. It's the accurate way to apply additives uniformly and efficiently according to Ryder Supply. Units available with 12, 25, or 55-gallon polyolefin tanks with 5-inch fillwell and screw-on lid. Features include gallonage corrosion-free nylon and brass plumbing with pressure relief valve and pressure gauge. Choose from 120V AC or 12V DC operation. DC units are equipped with wiring harness and controls to allow operation from the tractor seat.

For further details contact the manufacturer, Automatic Equipment Mfg. Co., Department NR, Pender, Nebraska 68047, 402-385-3054, or the Distributor, Ryder Supply, Box 219, Chambersburg, Pennsylvania 17201, 717-263-9111.

### Sire Power Names Intern

Jonathan Merriam, Hickman, California, has been employed by Sire Power as the Marketing Department summer intern, according to R. Rinell Vincent, Director of Marketing. The summer internship position is designed to provide practical experience in the overall communications, promotion, and marketing of the Sire Power cooperative. As Marketing Assistant, Jonathan will work with sire directory production, advertising, tours, and Sire Power Sale '87.



Jonathan Merriam

Jonathan was raised on the family dairy, Riverview Farms, a 290 head Jersey and 175 head Holstein operation. As assistant herdsman, his main responsibilities include sire selection, record keeping, and animal health and nutrition. He has served as a 4-H club president and was a member of Future Farmers of America, receiving the American Farmer Degree in 1985.

After receiving an Associate Degree in Dairy Science from Modesto Junior College, Jonathan

enrolled at the California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, where he just completed his junior year as a Dairy Science major. He has held the position of copy editor for the Los Lecheros Dairy Club Yearbook, and was recently elected as the Dairy Club president for the upcoming school year. While at

# Rectangular Balers By John Deere

John Deere has introduced four new rectangular balers with improved performance, reliability, ease of service and easier knotter adjustment.

The 8 Series balers are the 328 and 338, both with 80 SPM plungerhead, and the 348 and 468 with 93 SPM plungerhead (the 468 operates at 93-stroke plunger speed at 540 rpm for normal operation but can run as high as 100 SPM if conditions require). All four have a 30-inch stroke and 74 in. wide pickup.

The 328 has 104 teeth on four bars; the other three have 156 teeth on six bars.

The 348 is a high-capacity 14x18 baler; the 468 has a 16x18 bale case with adjustable side doors, multi-lubrication, hydraulic bale tension and four-position feeder forks. In addition, the 468 has replaceable liners in the bottom of the bale case and in the pre-compression chamber of the auger housing for extended baler life, and the bale case has been reinforced for greater strength.

On all four 8 Series balers, the knotter has a larger-diameter needle lift shaft (on both twine and wire) for increased strength. The new split-design knotter frame enables easy removal to improve servicing of high-use balers. Other new features ensure ease of adjustment. Coil spring tension on the twine holder enables a wider range of adjustment and twine disk timing has been made easier.

Other improvements reduce the cost of repair; the billhook cam



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track, for instance, is now a separate hardened part.

The addition of a notch to the trucker finger assures accurate positioning of the twine on the billhook for every knot, improves control of the twine for positive wiping action, and makes the knotter more dependable. Ball joint-style pull links assure easy and accurate adjustment.

A timing slot has been added to the bale case to make it easier to position the plungerhead accurately when timing the needles.

Features valued by hay farmers on earlier models have been retained, such as the equal-angle hitch, channel strippers with

flanges to reduce tooth wear, an offset pickup to provide more usable area and keep tractor tires away from the windrow, a crank to adjust the pickup to accurate working height or for transport (hydraulic lift available), low-profile pickup to minimize lift and save leaves and short material, removable compressors that adjust to nine positions to match volume, an auger designed to reduce leaf loss and match incoming volume for high capacity, and a large feed opening that closes momentarily on compression strokes so each charge is precompressed before entering the bale chamber, resulting in uniform bale density.

## National Pork Producers

### Back Farm Credit Bill

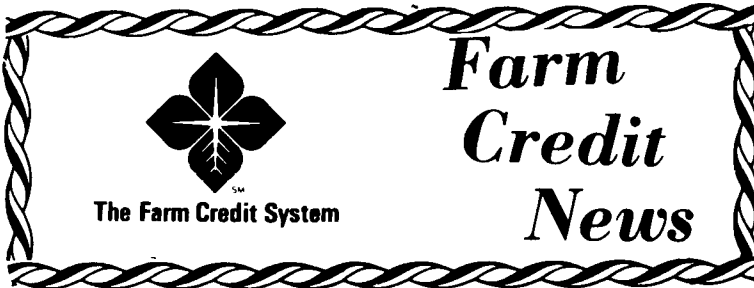
DES MOINES, IOWA — After months of research and negotiations by the National Pork Producers Council and a coalition of other commodity and general farm organizations, a bill designed to restructure the financially ailing Farm Credit System was introduced today by U.S. Senator Richard Lugar (R-IN).

The measure focuses on the creation of a secondary market for farm-backed mortgages. An FDIC-type loan loss reserve fund and loan restructuring for non-performing loans, except when borrower management practices are questionable, are included in the proposal.

In recent congressional testimony, Ray Hanks, a Fairbury, Illinois producer who serves as vice-president of the National Pork Producers Council, said, "The Farm Credit System is worth sav-

ing in some form, but the surviving system should remain a co-op with more, not less, local control and farmer involvement.

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Signing on as co-sponsors were Rudy Boschwitz (R-MN), Max Baucus (D-MT), Christopher Bond (R-MO), David Karnes (R-NE), Alan J. Dixon (D-IL), John Danforth (R-MO), Robert Dole (R-KS), Mitch McConnell (R-KY), Peté Wilson (R-CA), Dan Quayle (R-IN), and Steve Symms (R-ID).

### Deere Bale Mover, Feeder Available

MOLINE, ILL.—The John Deere model 84 bale mover and feeder can be used as a bale handler for moving round bales to and from a storage area, and also as a bale unroller for feeding livestock in a range feeding operation.

The bale mover and feeder attaches to a Category 2 or 3 three-point hitch or Category 2 or 3N Quik-Coupler. The bale arms are adjustable for bale widths from 4 foot to 5 foot 6 inch. Maximum

bale weight is 2000 pounds.

Triangular bale holders, adjustable for round bales ranging from 4 to 6 feet in diameter, provide a positive gripping surface on the edge of the bale and rotate freely as the bale is unrolled. A locking pin prevents the bale from rotating during transport.

The bale mover can be mounted on tractors with a 1500 psi hydraulic outlet.