Story of Success

Ohio State's Dairy Judging Team members did not receive any varsity O's for their record breaking performances, but they certainly can be described in one word, SUC-CESS.

John Ayars became the superior judge during the National Intercollegiate Dairy Judging contest held at Waterloo, Iowa, during the National Dairy cattle congress.

John and team members Fred Cannon, Joe Clutter and Alternate Bob Haskins started their judging the first of September at Indiana. At Indiana Joe Clutter was high in the contest with Fred Cannon and John Ayars tied for third. A team effort placed them first in the field of six teams.

Eastern States Exhibition geld in West Springfield, Mass. was the location of the team's second contest. At Eastern states the team placed fourth in a field of eleven and was high in Holsteins. Fred Cannon placed first overall in Holsteins and was high team man.

Next the team went to Waterloo, Iowa. Twenty-nine teams participated with Ohio State placing eleventh. John Ayars placed first in Brown Swiss, second in Ayrshires, fifth in Holsteins, and tenth in Guernseys and did not place in the top ten in Jerseys. John was the high individual in the entire contest for both placings and reasons. John's winning entitles him to the Kildee Scholarship worth \$1000 for graduate study.

No other team has won the Kildee scholarship more than once except Ohio State which has now won it three times. The scholarship was given for the first time in 1950 and won by Herman Rickard of Ohio State, won again in 1953 by Charles Grimes of Ohio State, and in 1963 by John Ayars.

Then came the International Collegiate contest at Chicago in which Fred Cannon tied for first. Fred tied with George Siedil of Penn. State University. As is with many contest there must be a winner so the tie was broken by giving it to the person with the highest number of



Left to right: John Ayars; Fred Cannon; Coach, Harold Kaeser; upper left Director of Extension for Holstein—Friesian Association, Jack Krause; Bob Haskins; Joe Clutter.

points for placings. Since Siedel had more points for placings Cannon had to be satisfied with a second place.

As a team Ohio State placed third behind Oklahoma State University and the University of Missouri. Bob Haskins who became a regular team member after having served as alternate gave the team that needed additional strength at Chicago in tieing for seventh place honors in Holsteins and additional strength in the other breeds to tie for third as a team.

Ohio State continued to set new records as they completed their competitive judging. Their first in Holsteins both at Eastern States and at Chicago was the first time any team has ever wo nthe same breed twice in the same year in major contests. By John Ayars and Fred Cannon placing first, this was the first time for two different members from the same team to have placed first in two major contests. To pad this record more Ohio State had three different members place first in three different contests, however Joe Clutter's winning at Indiana did not count since it was not a major contest.

Harold Kaeser has been honored

in having coached the team every time an Ohio State team member has won the Kildee scholarship. High praise should be given to Kaeser for his fine coaching ability and for having coached another most successful team.

Members of the team were John Ayars, Fred Cannon, Joe Clutter and Bob Haskins and coached by Professor Harold Kaeser, completed one of the most successful summers of judging that any team since Prof. Harold Kaeser has been coach.



John D. Ayars

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