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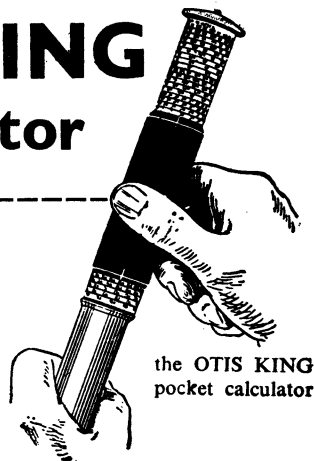
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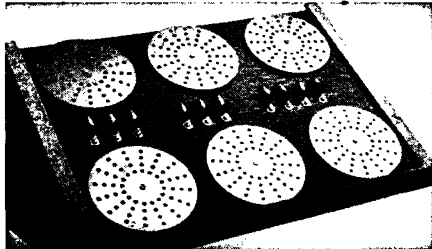
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VIROLOGY

Take First U. S. Photo Of Cattle Disease Virus

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► SCIENTISTS at the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Animal Disease Laboratory, Plum Island, N. Y., have photographed the dread foot-and-mouth disease virus. It is the smallest virus known to affect animals.

The electron micrograph of the virus, the first published in the United States, shows it to be round and approximately one-millionth of an inch in diameter—smaller than the polio virus.

The photograph on the cover of this week's SCIENCE NEWS LETTER shows the submicroscopic bead-like virus greatly magnified.

These findings on the physical make-up of the virus are expected to speed research on new and effective means of combating the highly contagious disease.

So far vaccination and the old method of killing infected animals and burying the carcasses are used to fight outbreaks. During the last ten years the disease has cost the U. S. Government about \$135,000,000 in preventive measures and in research.

Although it is primarily a disease of cattle, the virus also attacks hogs, goats and sheep and can be transmitted to man. It is believed that if the virus became established in this country, it could mean the loss of one-fourth of our entire meat-milk production.

This development in animal disease research is the result of studies conducted by Dr. H. L. Bachrach and S. S. Breese Jr. and other scientists at the Plum Island laboratory. The laboratory, located off Orient Point, Long Island, N. Y., is the only place in the nation where research on the highly contagious disease is permitted.

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ENGINEERING

Huge Hydraulic Jacks Hoist Canadian Bridge

► ONE of the biggest lifting jobs ever undertaken, and also one of the most spectacular and most complicated, is going on in Montreal, Canada.

Thirty huge hydraulic jacks are being used to raise entire spans of the southern end of the Jacques Cartier bridge, as part of the St. Lawrence seaway project. The spans must be lifted from 60 feet above the water to 120 feet so ships, in a brand-new channel, can pass beneath the bridge.

The jacks, two at each end of a 120- to 250-foot-long bridge span, raise the span six inches. Then concrete blocks are inserted to keep the span at its new height. The jacks then are made ready for the next lift of six inches.

At intervals of two feet, concrete courses are poured on the piers supporting the spans.

The lifts take place periodically, and the job of raising the bridge to its new height will require about two years. Traffic will be kept moving across the bridge the whole time with almost no interruption.

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