Mechanization Takes Punch From Old Dobbin in England BURY ST. EDMUNDS, Eng-(INS)-The farm horse is fading fast
in Britain. Mechanization has taken all the punch out of Old Dobbin. In Britain. Mechanization has taken -all the punch out of Old Dobbin, horses compared to 470,000 a year ago.
But that does not mean that the

$\qquad$ Despite the aavivance of mecha-
nation much worthwhile work is
still being done by heavy horses
on the still being done by heavy horses
on the land, and certain indus
tries, notably brewing, prefer to
use horses on their delivery vans. use horses on their delivery vans.
Horse Drawn Drays
In Levin arian cities,
teams of Suffolks or English Percherons drawing or knightly painted
drays laden with beer barrels prodrays laden with beer barrels pro-
vide a noble sight daily.
Racing, a combined
industry in Racing, a combined sport and
industry in Britain, commands the
labors of thousands and the speculabors of thousands and the speck-
ablative Interest of millions.
George NI, Queen
Elizabeth George VI, Queen Elizabeth and
the Princess Royal all own and
the race horses. Horse Society exists
to encourage the breeding of horse-
to to encourage the breeding of hers
es and pones. and their use for
agriculture, transport, riding and agriculture, transport, riding and
driving
Standards in breeding Standards in breeding and train-
ing receive a keen and regular
stimulus from the annual horse
shows which the shows which take anlace in every
county and include certain shows
such as those held at Windsor, Berkshire those held at Richmond, Windsor,
which have more than From Roman Days There were horses and ponies
in Britain as early as Roman times, and some or the native breeds
like the Shetland. have remained
practically unchanged since the practically unchanged since that
time the large horse was probably
The unknown in Britain before the
Norman conquest in 1066. From
that time, heavier types Spain and Flanders were intros from
ed and from these came the evolotion of the kind of war horse
ridden by heavily armored knights
and, eventually the med and, eventually the modern cart
horse, sulu as the shire or the
Suffolk Punch then In Mediaeval times the horse
was employed and bred almost
exclusively for war res exclusively for war, bred almost
went on, was used more and more for farm work
As this development followed
its course English love of sport
also attached itself to the horse
he also attached itself to the horse,
first in the tournament and then
in racing. It was in the late 17 th
and
 importation of Arab and other for-
eifgn stock laid the foundations of
the modern racehorses or leigh stock laid the foundations of
the modern racehorses or English
thoroughbred, the hunter, the
the thoroughbred, the hunter, the the
hackney, aid (among heavy, typ-
es) the shire, the Clydesdale and the Suffolk, tune Clydesdale Among ponies
are the polo pony, specially bred Forest, game, the Welsh, the ENe
and the Sher, the Highland
Shetland.

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