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Welfare Issues Open To Public Input

RALEIGH—Many people throughout North Carolina and the nation have been critical of the welfare system for years. They now have an opportunity to speak out on how and why they think it should be changed.

A state wide public hearing has been scheduled from 10 A. M. to 5 P. M. on April 4, at the Scott Pavillion in Raleigh to receive input from people across the state who have suggestions on how the present welfare system should be reformed.

President Carter has made a commitment to the nation that he will propose a major reform of the nation's welfare system. Through Joseph F. Califano, Jr., Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, he is requesting individuals and organizations across the country to offer their suggestions on how it should be reformed.

North Carolinians will have that opportunity for input regarding their views at the public hearing which is being held by the Division of Social Services of the N. C. Department of Human Resources.

Dr. Sarah T. Morrow, Secretary of the Department of Human Resources, will open the hearing and a representative from the southeastern area office of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare will also appear. Robert H. Ward, director of the Division of Social Services, will conduct the hearing.

Anyone in the state is invited to attend. Those interested in speaking at the hearing will be limited to 10 minute presentations. Persons representing organizations must also submit the comments in writing the day of the hearing. Such comments are to be typewritten, double-spaced and no more than six pages in length.

Invitations have been mailed directly to many interested organizations throughout the state. Other individuals or organizations that wish to speak should call the Department of Human Resources' toll-free information and referral number 1-800-662-7030 to let them know so that a time can be scheduled for their presentation.

Eradication Of Boll Weevil Moves Ahead

RALEIGH — The trial boll weevil eradication program in North Carolina and Virginia is now slated to be initiated in the fall of 1977, with the full cost-sharing by producers beginning with the 1978 growing season.

North Carolina cotton producers voted approval of the eradication program, to commence either in the growing season of 1977 or 1978, in a referendum held in December of last year.

The decision to initiate the cost-sharing portion of the program in 1978 was announced by N.C. Commissioner of Agriculture James A. Graham following consultation with state and national leaders in the cotton industry and the eradication effort.

In notifying the U.S. Department of Agriculture of the decision Graham said, "Successful eradication of the boll weevil can best be assured by preceding the required program with voluntary control measures on the part of cotton growers. We will encourage all growers to continue good insect control practices and to participate in a diapause program (late season control program) during the fall of 1977."

Graham also noted several recent developments that would make the later date more desirable. "It is anticipated that the pesticide Dimilin, which has proven highly effective against the boll weevil, will be approved by the Environmental Protection Agency for use next year," Graham said. "Several other pesticides beneficial in the control of the boll worm will be registered in 1978 that will not be available this year."

Graham added that the extra time would allow researchers to further refine the procedure of rearing sterile boll weevils for release.

Marshall Grant, a vice-president of the N.C. Farm Bureau and co-chairman of the N.C. Boll Weevil Eradication Committee, voiced agreement with the revised scheduling: "So much is at stake for the cotton grower, the state, and the nation that we want to make sure the eradication program is begun at a time most conducive to success."

Report From Rep. Walter B. Jones

Major legislative action this week involved the repeal of the Byrd Amendment. By way of further explanation, this was an amendment which had been on the statute books for many years and permitted the United States to import Rhodesian chrome despite the United Nations economic sanctions against Rhodesia. Some of the arguments used to repeal the Byrd Amendment were that other sources of chrome had been found and that the U. S. had stockpiles or reserves for many years to come. The last three Presidents have urged the repeal of the Byrd Amendment, so President Carter in his speech to the U. N. on Thursday, March 17 was quite pleased to announce that he would sign this bill on Friday, the 18th.

Pasquotank Agencies Set Battered Women Series

ELIZABETH CITY—A Battered Women Syndrome Workshop will be presented here March 30 and 31 under the sponsorship of a number of Pasquotank County agencies.

The workshop is being held in order to provide citizens of the Albemarle Area with increased awareness of the problems of battered women, the reasons causing the problem and the methods of correcting and preventing the problem.

The workshop began Wednesday at 7:30 P. M. at the S. L. Lowery Agricultural Extension Building on McPherson Street. The Thursday workshop begins at 9:25 A. M. Both sessions feature a film on loan from a television station and panel discussions.

Speakers include Mrs. Jean Scott and Dr. Joseph

B. LeRoy of the Albemarle Mental Health Center; Regina Moore, a Williamston attorney; Sharon Moore, a Norfolk, Va. policewoman; Mrs. Caroline Leach, co-pastor of St. Columbia Presbyterian Church in Norfolk; Dr. Leo F. Hawkins, N. C. Agricultural Extension Service human development specialist; Mrs. Anne Doolen, teaching parent at Heritage House and Mrs. Peggy Farmer, mental health nurse with Pitt County Health Department.

Pre-registration for this workshop would be helpful. Over 65 have already registered for the sessions, and discussion groups for Thursday afternoon are beginning to fill.

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Another topic of much controversy here in the Capitol City was big government once again playing big brother to the American consumers by suggesting a ban on the use of saccharine, the artificial sweetener, which has been in use for so many years and serves so many useful purposes. Several of us are joining together to try to rush through legislation to prohibit this ill-advised action on the part of the Food and Drug Administration. I am sure most of you know that this decision was based on research conducted in Canada, and that for the human body to suffer similar effects one would have to consume the equivalent of 800 - 8 oz. bottles per day of beverages containing saccharine. While this was going on in this country, the Germans announced that they would not be influenced by the Canadian research and dismissed it as being totally inconclusive and unacceptable. Rest assured I shall continue to do all possible to see that this much needed product remains available for those who either desire or need it.

Another explosive subject, based on the correspondence I have received from many of you in the District, is the Common Situs Picketing bill. Let me again assure all of you that I shall vote against this legislation which is nothing more or less than a secondary boycott and a violation of those states which have right-to-work laws. In the

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event some of you do not understand the definition, these terms, it simply means that for example, a small union that might have 4 or 5 construction workers, with a subcontract on a multi-million dollar building, could for whatever reason they chose, strike, and under the terms of this Act, all employees of the major contractors, possibly involving several hundreds, could also strike in sympathy, and the complete construction processes would stop. Certainly labor has its rights, and on many occasions I have voted to protect these rights, but in this approach, it is absolutely not justified to permit a handful of disgruntled employees, members of a union, to be able to temporarily, and in some cases for a long period of time, stop the income and employment of other workers who have no association whatsoever with the few causing the strike. Again, let me assure you I will not vote for any such legislation.

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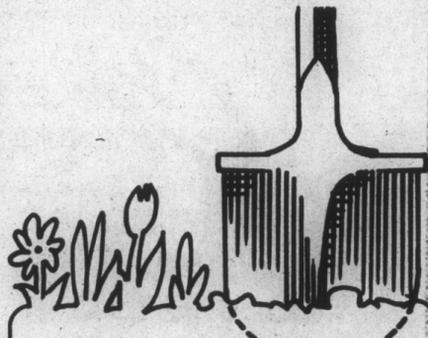
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