

FmHA Solutions Sought

KNOXVILLE, ILL.—A grassroots initiative to help Farmers Home Administration borrowers stay in business for the 1983 crop year has been announced by U.S. Secretary of Agriculture John R. Block.

Block has ordered every FmHA County Supervisor to meet personally with local bankers, Production Credit Association Officials, and other private lenders to discuss credit needs and to work out local solutions.

"The emphasis is on solutions," Block said. "Those solutions have to be found on the grassroots level. Discussions between lenders and myself on a national level will accomplish little unless we are assured that our efforts and policies are instituted in every local community. That's why I expect every FmHA County Supervisor to have met with local lenders by the end of October."

Block recently met with the American Bankers Association, the Independent Bankers Association of America, and the Farm Credit System to discuss the successful efforts achieved in 1982 through working together. "We plan to build on those efforts to meet credit needs of 1983," Block said.

He said those efforts will assure borrowers that their loan requests will be considered, even though they have not been able to repay their loans because of circumstances beyond their control. "The criteria we will generally follow is that they have made good faith efforts to repay, that they practiced good management, and that they properly maintained property used to secure loans."

Persons meeting this criteria who can secure existing FmHA and other loans,

plus any new loans, probably can be continued if the planned year income is sufficient to make current loan payments, Block said. Persons in this category could include those who have been delinquent one or more years on FmHA and other loans, or have had other problems such as production losses due to difficulties that could be corrected through adequate planning and supervision.

Persons who cannot meet those requirements, but have similar delinquency histories and perhaps other management or technical skill problems, might qualify for a new loan if the loan and interest could be repaid from the 1983 year's income.

"Let me emphasize that every loan application will be considered on its individual merits," Block said. "We will continue to deal on a case-by-case basis to ensure that each one receives the attention it requires."

Farmers Home field offices have been instructed to begin reviewing loan cases for 1983 as soon as possible. The agency will continue to offer deferrals, rescheduling and reamortization where necessary to assist borrowers.

Services of the North Carolina agency are delivered through a system of 88 county offices, 11 district offices, and the Raleigh State Office. (Its loan services, like all programs and services of the USDA, are available to everyone without regard to race, sex, religion, national origin, marital status, or handicapped condition.) The location and phone number of the local office serving each county is listed in the telephone directory under U.S. Government, Department of Agriculture.

Woodstove Injuries Studied

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Americans in record numbers are turning to wood stoves as an alternative heating source in the home, but injuries suffered while cutting firewood with chain saws seem to be keeping pace.

According to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, some 123,000 chain saw injuries occurred last year that required treatment in hospital emergency rooms or physicians' offices.

A two-month CPSC study of injuries treated in emergency rooms across the country showed that one-fourth of the injuries were associated with chain saw kickback. Kickback is the sudden and potentially violent rearward and/or upward movement of the chain and that can be caused by interference with the movement of the chain and that can propel the moving saw chain into contact with the operator. Other injuries stemmed from a variety of hazard patterns such as loss of control or balance while using the saw, skidding and bouncing of the saw, and follow through after the cut.

The agency offered the following recommendations to minimize accidents when using the chain saw:

- * Always operate the saw with both hands gripping the machine.

- * Avoid situations that can lead to chain saw kickback. Don't touch the tip of the bar to any object while using the chain saw. Hold the saw with both hands, and refer to the owner's manual for the proper grip, especially for the forward handle.

- * Start all cuts at full throttle and cut at top speed until the cut is complete. Keep your body clear of the natural path the saw will take after completion of the cut. Keep the chain sharpened and under proper tension at all times.

- * If necessary, adjust the throttle speed so that the saw chain does not move when the engine idles. If adjustment does not give this result, the saw should not be used until it has been repaired.

- * Carry the saw carefully with the engine stopped, guide bar and chain pointed behind you, and the muffler away from the body.

- * Recent advances in the design of chain saws have led to the development of saw chains that substantially

reduce the magnitude of chain saw kickback. CPSC recommends that you consult your dealer to determine if your saw is equipped with the best available chain designed to reduce kickback, and that you replace your saw chain with one of these new technology saw chains.

American Legion News

By Jim Criddle

If you missed our November 2 meeting you really missed a delicious turkey dinner. The rescue squad showed a film and talked about CPR. If there are any members that would like to attend a full CPR course please let your wishes known to Commander John Bohn. A full CPR course will last 12 hours.

Veteran's Day November 11, we are going to have a special flag raising ceremony at 11 A.M. There will be a program to follow and we will eat BBQ at 3 P.M. All veterans are invited to attend. Let's take the time to remember our comrades of all the wars.

Post 40 really went all out this year in their sponsorship of the Law Enforcement Banquet. Sheriff Troy Toppin did an outstanding job of heading this program up. This is another fine community program that is sponsored by The American Legion.

The Long Range Planning Committee met on November 3rd and had an exceptionally informative session. I want to thank everyone that sent recommendations or appeared in person. If anyone has any ideas or proposals to come before this committee please feel free to contact any committee member or come to our next meeting.

The Tidewater Council of Boy Scouts are currently having their annual fund raising drive. Carl Fresse, John Bohn and Jim Criddle from the Legion are assisting them in their efforts. The Boy Scouts is one of the finest programs for the young people of any community so open up your heart and pocketbook to help us make this a successful drive. Post 40 has contributed \$500 for this very worthy cause.



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6/2.39	
LAYS CHIPS	.99E
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WESSON OIL	1.99E
LIPTON TEA	1.29E
SB SLI CHESE	.99E
2LIT PEPSI	.95E
MILLER BEER	2.18A
CORN FLAKES	.99E
PRODUCE	.79E
BEEF BOLOGNA	1.79E
12OZ MD FRK	.99E
BEEF FRANKS	.99E
POT PIE MORT	.25E
184/1.00	
VELVEETA	4.16E
PRODUCE	.69E
PRODUCE	.50E
TOTINO PIZZA	1.19E
PRODUCE	.50E
TAX	.97H
TOTAL	25.18

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- 8-oz. Lay's Potato Chips
- Bounty Towels
- 48-oz. Wesson Oil
- 24-ct. Lipton Tea
- 16-singles Store Brand Cheese
- 2-Liter Pepsi
- 6/12-oz. Miller Beer
- 18-oz. Kellogg's Corn Flakes
- 3-lb. Onions
- 12-oz. Store Brand Beef Bologna
- 12-oz. Store Brand Franks
- 12-oz. Store Brand Beef Franks
- 8-oz. Morton Pot Pies
- 32-oz. Velveeta Cheese
- Lettuce
- 2-lb. Carrots
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- Celery

FOOD TOWN LFPINC/SC/VA/GA 11/01/82	
PERISHBL	
GROCERY	2.61 L
NON-FOOD	.99 L
GROCERY	.87 D
GROCERY	2.36 L
PERISHBL	1.29 L
GROCERY	1.29 L
NON-FOOD	1.09 L
GROCERY	2.19 D
PRODUCE	1.03 L
MEAT	.69 L
MEAT	1.89 L
MEAT	1.29 L
PERISHBL	1.09 L
183/99	.33 L
PERISHBL	
PRODUCE	4.11 L
PRODUCE	.59 L
PERISHBL	.49 L
PRODUCE	1.29 L
PRODUCE	.59 L
SUBTOTAL	26.08
4% TAX	1.04
TOTAL	27.12

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