

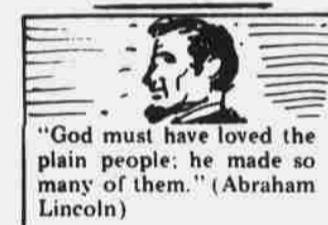
Newsmen To Explore Farm Issues

Taxes and environmental problems -- major concerns of farmers in 1973 -- will be explored at the annual Farm Press, Radio and TV Institute, to be held in Raleigh on February 16.

"Who'll be meddling in farming next?" is the theme selected for the Institute, according to an announcement from Jack Hankins of Kinston, president of the N. C. Farm Writers and Broadcasters Association, and W. L. Carpenter, Head, Department of Agricultural Information, N. C. State University. The two organizations co-sponsor the annual Institute.

Hankins and Carpenter pointed out that farmers are facing a multitude of regulations and pressures from government and environmentalists and other groups. A law passed by the 1972 federal congress can result in fines up to \$1,000 and imprisonment up to 30 days for farmers violating pesticide handling and application rules. One of the touchy issues in the 1973 North Carolina General Assembly is expected to be the question of farm land taxation.

These topics, plus soil and water management and livestock waste disposal, will be discussed at the Institute, to be held in the Faculty Club on the N. C. State University campus.



"God must have loved the plain people; he made so many of them." (Abraham Lincoln)

Expert Study



GENETICS SPECIALIST, Dr. Richard C. Juberg, director of the March of Dimes Medical Service Program at Louisiana State University School of Medicine, Shreveport, checks chromosome findings with Ruby Mulhern, research medical specialist. The program offers genetic services to residents of Louisiana, Arkansas and Texas.

BACKGROUND ON BUSINESS

CONTROLS HELP CHECK INFLATION GROWTH

The Economic Stabilization Program has had "a significant impact in reducing the rate of inflation" during a period of fiscal and monetary expansion, Price Commission Chairman C. Jackson Grayson, Jr. recently told the Joint Economic Committee of Congress.

Grayson pointed out that 85 percent of the items in the Consumer Price Index -- the most widely used measure of how inflation affects the American consumer -- have increased at a lower rate during the stabilization program than in the year prior to controls. He noted significant declines in the rate of inflation for rent, medical care, clothing and other areas.

"The controls have helped keep inflation in check while other measures were effected to encourage economic growth," he said in testimony before the Committee. Grayson said this conclusion is substantiated by major price indicators, studies by independent economists and economic analyses made by the Price Commission staff.

"The best estimate economists in the Price Commission have been able to derive, based upon an econometric analysis of macroeconomic wage and price equations, is an estimated reduction in the rate of inflation from what it would have been without controls of between 1.5 and 2 percent points," he said.

As a result of the controls program, Grayson said, businessmen, labor and consumers have more confidence in the country's domestic and international future. "Our present inflation rate, in fact, is the

Looking Ahead



DR. NELL J. RYAN checks the progress of Darryl Smith, 6, at the March of Dimes Medical Service Program, University of Mississippi Medical Center, Jackson. Darryl, who has had two operations for hydrocephalus, is doing extremely well and now attends school. The voluntary health organization supports programs directed at the prevention and treatment of birth defects.

Plants 'Stay Watered' With Use of Capsules

Some day you may be able to go on that long vacation without having to ask the neighbor to keep your houseplants watered. Tiny water capsules placed in the planter will keep things moist and growing until your return.

This is just one of the possible uses of the fish egg-like capsules being studied by North Carolina State University horticulturists. There are many other possible applications.

Researcher Dr. Roy Larson and graduate student Vincent Bonaminio report that the capsules which release their water slowly over a long period, have been used on a wide range of plants under greenhouse and simulated home conditions. The results have been varied but generally encouraging, according to Dr. Larson.

Geraniums, for example, have been grown from transplanting to full flower -- a period of three months -- only on water supplied by capsules that were incorporated into the soil at transplanting.

"It appears that the encapsulated water is more effective when incorporated into the soil rather than spread on top of the soil," said Bonaminio.

He and Dr. Larson cited other examples of the water capsules' effectiveness. Large poinsettias requiring twice-a-day watering required additional water only once a week when the soil contained the capsules.

In a study with chrysanthemums, plants in soil containing the capsules recovered much more quickly from wilting than conventionally-watered plants.

Other results suggest that the slow-release watering may affect flower quality. In some cases, there has been an intensification of flower color and the keeping quality has been extended.

Other preliminary experiments by NCSU scientists suggest that the capsules may have other potential uses. For example, one scientist placed some of the capsules in a container of stored apples that had begun drying out. After an extended storage period with the capsules, the quality of the apples was largely restored.

And Dr. Larson, a floricultural researcher, believes the quality of cut flowers might be better maintained in shipment if the encapsulated water were included in the shipping container.

"When the capsules are placed in a closed container, the relative humidity immediately goes to 94 percent and stays there," said Dr. Larson.

Don't Believe In That Stork? In Atlanta They Certainly Do

By PEGGY TOLINS

Child psychologists may have shooed the stork out of the baby delivery business and sent him into exile, but energetic members of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority have appropriated his nests and are filling them with goodies for needy newborns.

It started in Atlanta, Ga., in the spring of 1971, when the Epsilon Zeta Chapter of the national sorority set up the Stork's Nest, a nonprofit redistribution center for maternity clothes, baby wear, layettes and furniture.

Epsilon Zeta is a member of B.B., a prenatal care service and education program of the Atlanta Chapter of The National Foundation-March of Dimes. Twelve organizations participate in varied volunteer services.

The Stork's Nest is open to needy expectant mothers who are referred by a prenatal care clinic. The items are either new or in good used condition, donated by stores and private individuals. Articles are available at minimal cost, only to those who attend a clinic, as an incentive to increase the number of women seeking early and continuing prenatal care. Such mothers are more likely to have healthy babies because they are reducing the risk of birth defects.

National Project
So successful has the Stork's Nest been in meeting a need, that a network of similar outlets is being planned. A second store opened in Houston recently, thanks to the efforts of the Lambda Zeta chapter of Zeta Phi Beta, assisted by Zeta Amicae, a nonacademic branch of the sorority.

The joint Zeta Phi Beta-March of Dimes effort fulfills the sorority's pledge to become more deeply involved in the health and welfare of children, while the voluntary health organization continues to work toward its goals -- to prevent birth defects which affect some



TINY GARMENTS, available at the Stork's Nest, Houston, are assembled by Zeta Phi Beta volunteers (from left) Bessie Davis, Emmet Smith, Maud Randon, Carolyn Sanders, Helen Brooks, and Roberta Livingston. Donated clothing and furniture are offered at little or no cost to expectant mothers attending prenatal care clinics. Project is combined effort of the sorority and March of Dimes.

250,000 children annually, and to better the quality of life at birth.

On the national level, Zeta Phi Betas have adopted the Stork's Nest as part of their project ZIP, Zeta's Involvement Project. The ZIP objective is "an equal chance for all babies to have a healthy start in life."

Stork's Nest goals, they believe, will help accomplish this aim. Aside from providing clothing and nursery items at little or no cost for expectant mothers who utilize community health services, and encouraging them to attend a prenatal care clinic regularly, Zetas also plan to offer informal health educational programs, and to contribute generally to the physical and emotional well-being of these mothers and their children. Half the battle, the volunteers feel, is showing a woman that someone really cares about her and her family.

Atlanta and Houston are metropolitan areas, but Zeta members consider Stork's Nest a flexible project suited to areas large or small, urban, suburban or rural. Each Stork's Nest can be adapted to the needs of its community.

Adapting to Needs
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority awarded Atlanta's Stork's Nest project its top Community Service Award when the organization's national conference took place in Oklahoma City recently. Stork's Nest was chosen as the best among 23 chapter community projects.

With the continued enthusiasm of graduate, undergraduate and nonacademic sorority members and National Foundation-March of Dimes cooperation, the prize-winning project may soon be seen in many more communities.

As one observer predicts: "Don't look now, but that empty shop behind you has just turned into a Stork's Nest!"

Bird Seed Make Good Toy Animal Stuffing

By JANICE CHRISTENSEN

Bird seed is not only useful for feeding birds; it's also good for stuffing toy animals.

Mrs. Marvin Haddock, Princeton, Rt. 2, has been using bird seed as stuffing for over 100 toy frogs, says Mrs. Pat Brown, associate home economics extension agent, Johnston County.

Before stuffing the toys, Mrs. Haddock does

heat the bird seed in the oven to dry it completely and to kill any insects that might be present. The stuffed toys, which are lightweight and very flexible, are attrac-

tive and safe for children to play with, the agent adds.

REDECORATE HOUSE
The Samuel Alston family of Warren County has taken many steps to improve the interior of their house.

Included in the project was the redecorating of two bedrooms and a

family room and the addition of a second bath, says Mrs. Bertha Fortie, home economics extension agent.

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