

# Sale Of Wheat To Russia

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The sale of wheat to Russia underscores the success of the entire American agricultural complex, including such programs as North Carolina's famed "Nickels for Know-How" program, Dr. H. Brooks James, an agricultural economist and dean of agriculture at North Carolina State, declared here today.

An analysis of the reasons for the comparative success of American agriculture and the failures of Russian agriculture reaches far beyond the comparative richness and availability of highly productive agricultural lands, James said.

U.S. agricultural scientists have been aware of "built in" factors for failure in the Russian system for more than three decades, the veteran State dean said.

Self-styled critics of the Russian and the American systems, and even the highly regarded analyses of political scientists

have barely scratched the surface in this important area the dean emphasized.

The dean predicted that there will be a lot more attention paid to the agricultural differences between the systems now that the "wheat deal" has achieved such world-wide prominence.

Because of the relationship of the land-grant college to the agricultural success story, "Cow college" should now be a chapter in every text of comparative political science, the dean declared.

The shallow criticisms of farm policies that have been worked out in the economic-political arena which frame U.S. farm policy and which aim at the stability of American agriculture, must now be revised the dean added.

In defining the factors that are the essential elements of what he calls the American agricultural system, the dean lists such factors as:

1. A basic free enterprise on American farms buttressed by a national agricultural policy system underwriting a relative stability in American agriculture.

2. The 100-year-old-land-grant college system with its component agricultural experiment station research and extension information systems.

3. The cooperative, "decentralized" philosophy which per-

mits the experiment stations and extension programs to adapt themselves state-by-state to their own situations.

4. The democratic "classless" society of the U.S. which has permitted the agricultural occupation to rise to a professional status, paralleled by the development of agricultural education as a university-level program.

5. The mutual respect and faith that agricultural scientists have with farm operators and that farm operators have in their county agent, the land-grant college, and the U.S.D.A.; and the fact that these are interlocked with joint advisory committees in every area of agricultural and scientific life.

Dr. James pointed to the "Nickels for Know-How" program in North Carolina as one of the outstanding examples of the faith of American farmers in this agriculture complex.

Though it has its counterpart systems in other states, North Carolina's "Nickels for Know-How" program is greatly envied by other agricultural areas of the country. The "Nickels" program is a financial support program outside the regular area of tax-support that provides financing for research, extension, and education programs in agriculture.

It is financed by a five-cent contribution by farmers on every ton of feed and fertilizer purchased by them.

The funds are used by the N.C. State School of Agriculture to provide flexibility and an attack system on immediate agricultural problems in the State.

## Speaker To Lecture On Christmas Decorations

Mrs. M.B. Thomas of Winston Salem will lecture November 14th at 3:00 p.m. at the fellowship hall of the First Baptist Church in Warsaw on "Christmas Decorations." The lecture is being sponsored by the Warsaw Garden Club and tickets are on sale for \$1.00. The public is cordially invited to attend and tickets may be purchased from any member of the Warsaw Garden Club.

Mrs. Thomas is well known for her attractive Christmas decorations. Mrs. Thomas states that she has been making Christmas Decorations as long as she could remember and for the past five years has been lecturing publicly. She will construct some of her decorations at the lecture and explain how she makes others. She will demonstrate how to use things that are on hand in the homes as well as show very attractive decorations that can be made from very inexpensive materials.

A spokesman from the Warsaw Garden Club states that this lecture will be most informative and interesting and feels that we are very fortunate in having Mrs. Thomas at this time, with the Yuletide Season just a few weeks away.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend, so make your plans now and purchase your ticket.

## Scholarship Announced

The Raleigh Music Club, Miss HenreEtha Owen, President, Raleigh, North Carolina, announces the establishment of the Elizabeth Utley Fletcher Memorial Scholarship for graduate study toward an advanced degree in Sacred Music with major in Organ.

The scholarship is \$400.00 to be applied on tuition for one year. It is open only to North Carolinians who have been accepted in a graduate school offering a degree in Sacred Music for the 1964-65 academic year.

Application forms may be obtained by writing to the Chairman, Mrs. G. Ernest Moore, 311 East Edenton St. Raleigh North Carolina.

## Egg Conference To Be Held At State College

The 1963 Egg Industry Conference will start Monday afternoon, November 11, at 1:00 p.m. and run to noon Tuesday, November 12. The conference is being conducted by the Department of Poultry Science and the Division of General Extension, at the College Union, State College, Raleigh.

The program on Monday afternoon will cover topics on egg facts, implant egg washing, growing versus buying, started pullets, colony cages, laryngotracheitis, coccidiosis, egg stery, and a 4-H demonstration on eggs. On Tuesday morning, the program will feature topics on the family type poultry farm, feeding hatching egg hens, mixing feed, leucosis, poultry research and sales philosophy. Also, a thirty-minute movie will be shown entitled, "The Wilkes Story". There will be a question and answer period following each session.

## Dehydrated Steak

If Dr. Maurice W. Hoovers deductions are correct, you might one day walk into a supermarket and buy a dehydrated steak—done medium rare, if that's your choice.

You'll take the steak home and drop it into a pot of cold water. After the meat has soaked up enough water, you'll pop it into the oven to heat it up. Unless you are the most discerning of connoisseurs, you might not be able to tell that it was cooked two years before.

Dr. Hoover is a member of N.C. State's new Department of Food Science, in charge of dehydration research. By late December, he should be ready to launch a research program involving a remarkable new method of food processing. It's called freeze drying.

The technique itself is not new. It has been used for years in biology, medicine and pharmacy. It has proven to be an excellent means of preserving blood plasma, skin, bone tissue, and the like. Only recently have food industry people come to realize the advantages freeze drying offers in the food field. It offers promise for new industry in North Carolina. It offers promise for new industry in North Carolina. It offers the farmer another outlet for his products.

Food to be freeze-dried is first cooked, and then quickly frozen. It is placed in a vacuum chamber, where most of the moisture is removed. The end product is a dried food—not a frozen food. In an airtight container, it can be stored for up to two years—at room temperature! Drop the food into water, and it resumes its original ready to eat, once you warm it up. Food prepared in this manner retains most of its original flavor.

There are disadvantages too, but Dr. Hoover thinks they can be erased by research. The freeze drying process is too slow now, and hence is rather expensive. Dr. Hoover would also like to speed up the rehydration process, by which the dried product is restored to its original weight and form. Keep your eyes on this one. The promise is there. And Dr. Hoover wants to make it pay off for North Carolina.

Every poultryman and all workers engaged in the egg industry in Duplin County should attend this 1963 Egg Industry Conference, because it will provide the latest information on the production and marketing of quality eggs. Also, it will provide everyone in or connected with the egg industry to discuss problems of mutual interest.

## Civil Defense

The responsibilities of Civil Defense in a natural disaster and man-made disasters are given as follows under section (a) and (b):

(a) During a natural disaster Civil Defense as a recognized governmental agency is responsible for the coordination of all groups, both public and private, participating in a natural disaster relief operation. The functions carried out by these groups include:

(1) Protection of persons and property including: (a) maintenance of law and order; (b) fire protection; (c) designation of hazardous buildings; (d) public health sanitation; (e) care of the dead; (f) traffic control.

(2) Maintaining usual community services including: (a) public welfare; (b) schools and other public institutions; (c) sewage and water systems; (d) streets, highways and bridges; (e) removal of debris; (f) communication and transportation systems.

(3) Restoration of public property which has been damaged or destroyed.

(4) Requests for assistance to or from other agencies or organizations outside of the particular jurisdiction, except requests between Red Cross units.

Because of the lack of other existing government agencies primarily concerned with certain disaster operations Civil Defense, in addition to its coordination authority, has a more direct operational responsibility in such matters as (1) warning; (2) evacuation; (3) rescue.

## ASCS

The time for sending a cover crop has been extended by the county committee from October 31 to November 10. The county committee made this extension as so many farmers have been reluctant to sow their cover and seed their pastures due to the dry weather. This extension also applies to those who have already had cover, pasture or lime approved for their farms.

When approval for assistance is given, a pink sheet is given for each practice on which assistance was approved. The pink sheet is to be completed and signed by the farm operator as soon as the practice is carried out. Then the sheet should be returned to the county office by the final reporting date. A blue sheet is mailed as a reminder notice for those who have not completed their practices.

If you have misplaced the pink and blue sheets, the original (white) copy by coming to the county office to sign the original. Completion of each practice must be reported so that we can know which ones have been carried out. If a practice has been approved and you cannot carry it out, please let us know.

We hope that you will come to the county office before November 10 to request assistance on a cover crop if you have not already done so.

Recent passage of the Fallout Shelter Development Bill by the House of Representatives is a tremendous step toward the development of a nation-wide shelter system, State Civil Defense Director Edward F. Griffin says.

"The bill authorizes expenditure for the purpose of adding shelter to these buildings and it also requires incorporation of shelter in all federal structures, military and civilian, that now exist or are to be constructed. Exemptions for some government buildings will be allowed by the law. Approximately fifteen million dollars is expected to be available for the federal buildings shelter program."

The State Director pointed out that many of the shelter spaces would be added by improved ventilation and with the minor addition of shielding in shelters already located. Allocation of shelter development funds to the state under the new program will be based on each state's shelter needs.

For example, in North Carolina, 840,515 qualified shelter spaces were found by the National Shelter Survey, leaving a shelter gap of approximately 3 3/4 million spaces.

The Shelter Development Bill must next be approved by the Senate. Appropriation of funds will be a separate action by Congress.

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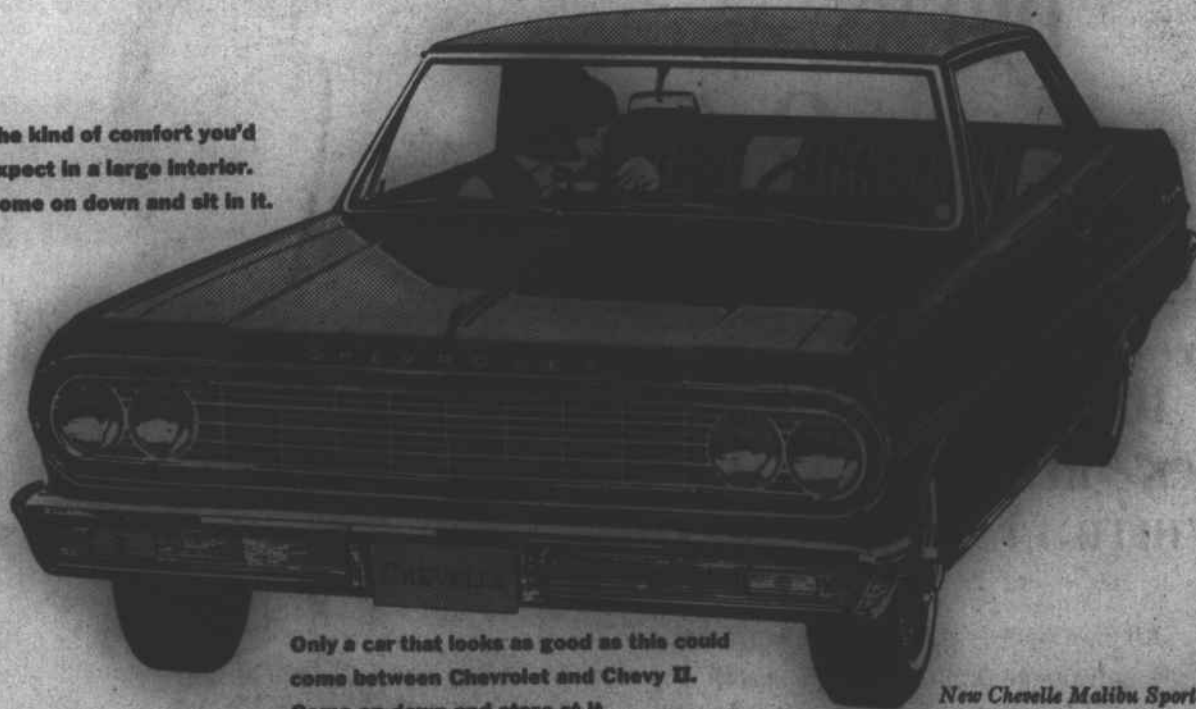


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