

ACCENT ON AGRICULTURE

MAN-KIND COULD LOSE Pesticides of some kind are used on most farms, but farmers account for only slightly more than half of all the pesticides used in the United States.

With the recent ban placed on the use of DDT, we need to remember some of the comments made by Dr. Norman Borlaug, the 1970 Nobel Peace Prize winner, and the only agriculturalist ever to be so honored.

In an address last year, Dr. Borlaug charged environmentalists with a desire to legislate a ban on DDT to prohibit it for any use in the U. S. A. If this happens, Borlaug warned, they almost certainly will start a worldwide propaganda campaign to have it banned everywhere in the world.

"This must not be permitted to happen until an even more effective and safe insecticide is available," he declared "As soon as DDT is successfully banned, there will be a push for the banning of all chlorinated hydrocarbons, then, in order, the organic phosphates and carbonate insecticides. Once the task is finished on insecticides, they will attack the weed killers and, eventually, the fungicides.

"If the use of pesticides in the U. S. A. were to be completely banned, crop losses would probably soar to 50 per cent and food prices would increase four to five fold. Who then would provide for the food needs of the

Savings Bonds At Record High

Sales of U. S. Series E and Series H Savings Bonds in Cleveland county for July were \$91,701. January-July sales totaled \$327,765. This represents 62.4 per cent of Cleveland county's goal of \$46,000, according to George Blanton Jr., county volunteer chairman.

Sales of Series E and H Savings Bonds for January-July in North Carolina came to \$49,618,015—the best since 1945, and 13.7 per cent above the same period last year. This represents 69.2 per cent of the state's 1972 dollar goal of \$71,700,000. July sales of E and H bonds came to a record \$6,705,841. Series E bond sales alone amount to \$6,594,841, topping all July sales since 1945.

Nationally, total cash sales of E and H bonds for the first seven months of 1972 amounted to \$3,740 million, 1.3 per cent above a year earlier. July sales were \$493 million, 7.7 per cent above 1971 sales of \$458 million. The cash value of Series E and H bonds outstanding on July 31 topped \$56 billion for the first time.

low income groups? Certainly not the privileged environmentalists," stated the honored scientist.

All mankind stands to lose if we jump too fast. We need to seek knowledge and understanding of all the insecticides and pesticides to determine their worth as weighed against any detriment they may have before we jump at banning them.

TAXPAYERS ASK IRS

This column of questions and answers on federal tax matters is provided by the local office of the U. S. Internal Revenue Service and is published as a public service to taxpayers. The column answers questions most frequently asked by taxpayers.

Q.—I plan to file an amended 1971 return to claim a disaster loss deduction for damage suffered in the June floods. Is there any way I can speed up processing of my return to get my refund faster?

A.—Yes. Mark the words, "Disaster Areas Loss," at the top of the amended return you file and on the envelope you use to mail your return. In addition, send your return to the box number at your Internal Revenue Service Center especially set up to receive amended returns from flood victims. Call your local IRS office for the special box number in your area.

Q.—I made a political contribution of \$150 last month. Can I deduct this on my 1972 return?

A.—If you itemize deductions,

you may deduct a political contribution of \$50 if you are single or \$100 if you are married and filing a joint return.

Instead of a deduction, you may claim a credit against your tax of one-half of your political contributions up to a maximum of \$12.50 if you are single and \$25 if you are married filing jointly.

Q.—When do I pay the third installment of my 1972 estimated tax?

A.—The third installment of your 1972 estimated tax is due on September 15, 1972. Send your payment along with the voucher included in your Form 1040-ES package to the address shown in the instructions for the form. Be sure to include your correct Social Security number on each declaration-voucher, so that payments may be properly credited to your account.

Q.—Can a self-employed individual deduct contributions to his own retirement plan?

A.—Yes. If you are in business for yourself, you may deduct your contributions to a self-employment retirement plan, pro-

Area Teachers To Conference

A series of five leadership conferences at Holidays Inns in Hendersonville, Statesville, Southern Pines, Goldsboro and Washington, September 4-8, was attended by 207 officers and membership chairman.

The project was funded by the National Retired Teachers Association and cosponsored by the Retired School Personnel Division of North Carolina Association of Educators.

Miss Male Sanders, of Wilmington, state director of NRTA, served as coordinator; May provided that the contributions are based on earned income and certain requirements are met. You can work in your business either full or part-time.

For more details, send a postcard to your Internal Revenue district office and ask for a free copy of IRS Publication 580, "Retirement Plans for Self-Employed Individuals," and 566, "Questions and Answers on Retirement Plans for the Self-Employed."

Shrout of Welch, West Virginia, assistant to the vice-president of Area 3, consulted with the presidents and program chairmen: Miss Alma Browning, Lake Junaluska, state president of RSP Division, met with the secretaries and treasurers; and Mrs. Josephine Weir, Kings Mountain, consulted with the membership committee chairmen of the district and local chapters.

On September 4, Miss Browning and Mrs. Weir attended the organizational meeting of the Hendersonville chapter, the 45th in the state.

The leaders of the enthusiastic membership of over 3,500 former teachers participated in the four meaningful discussion groups at each location, receiving information and inspiration concerning their respective offices and the organization as a whole, asking questions, and exchanging ideas to take to their respective chapters.

Those from District 2 who attended the workshop in Hendersonville were Mrs. Johnnie Mae Ware, Boiling Springs, President Cleveland county chapter; Mrs. Earlie Cornwell, Shelby, membership chairman District 2; Mrs. Verle Cline and Miss LaLana

Bob Bridges To NCAWA Meet

RALEIGH.—The 19th annual convention of the N. C. Automotive Wholesalers Association (NCAWA) will be held at Atlantic Beach Sept. 14-17. According to Norwood Starling of Motor Parts Warehouse, around 300 participants are expected for the sessions.

A number of outstanding automotive after-market industry personalities will lead convention workshops, including: Frank McGonagle, advertising manager of the Fram corporation; Richard Kudner, vice president-marketing of the Champion Spark Plug Co.; Al Putnam, president of the National Store Design Institute; and Cary Grace, vice president-finance of Genuine Parts Co. Keynote speaker for the event will be J. H. (Buddy) Tankersley, a prominent automotive parts jobber from Mayfield, Ky. He will address the convention on the meeting theme, "Keys to Progress and Growth."

The NCAWA board of directors will meet on the first day of the convention. Bobby Bridgeman, local businessman and a NCAWA director, will be in attendance at the meeting. Mrs. Bridges will be with him at the convention.

IRON COOKWARE If rust occurs on iron cookware, remove it with steel wool. Wash, rinse and re-season utensil. When food burns on, boil a solution of two teaspoons of baking soda and one quart of water in the utensil, remove the softened food, scrub, rinse and dry.

Advertisement for 'IT'S A LITTLE RED PILL!' medicine, highlighting its benefits and availability at Winn-Dixie Food Stores.

Advertisement for Kings Mountain Drug Company, featuring 'THE CITY'S MODERN STORE' and phone number 739-2571.

Large advertisement for 'MARTINIZING' dry cleaning, offering 'One Hour' service, 'FREE' storage and moth proofing, and special prices on suits and dresses.

Large advertisement for Winn-Dixie Food Stores, featuring various food items like Pork Loin, Bacon, Beef Ribs, and Groceries with prices and promotional offers.

Large advertisement for U.S. Choice W-D brand beef and other grocery items, including Boneless Roast, Chuck Steaks, Rib Roasts, and various canned goods.