

KIAWANIS MAR. 19th.

THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME COME BIG LEAGUE WHO WILL STILL BE HERE - WIFE OF BUSINESSMAN
Hayseed in name
Bread because today is Nat. Agriculture Day. Supposed to bake and take.

* Why we went to D. C. To get Sec. Bergland to implement the 1977 farm bill to it's fullest. Bill provides for 90% of parity. Haven't given up on 100% parity. But this can be done without another bill being passed. What is parity? Dictionary says on par or equal to. 1/4 bu. of corn or wheat should buy as much in 1979 as did in 1910-14. Bergland says parity is outmoded concept, but a few years ago he was pushing for it too. He sure got modern in a hurry.

Mechanics of S. C. region. State divided into 6 districts. 20 tractors, as many campers and mobile homes and Lester's truck.

Ed and I had to drive. Experts. 3 tractors, 4 campers, and truck from Ed. C.
Living conditions. Up at 4:00 Pack lunch Road conditions.
Started with 350 including colorado 7 1/2 mi. long going thru K. C. No trouble with Hwy 50
First night in Ees Summitt Visduct Sunday in Sedalia. Wreck in St. Louis
snowed in in Greenville Ill. After Greenville more tractors joined Now were 650
about 2000 people. After Indianspolis 850 and 3000 people. 35 mi. long on hwy.
St Clairsville. Cumberland Blizzard. Fredrick Md. 40 mi. from Wash. D. C.

Moved tractors to Camper park 12 mi. out on Beltway. Monday. Good Organization.

* Meetings with Nancy and Bob. USDA officials. Census Bureau, Fed Reserve Bank.
House Hearings Carol T. Forman. Head of food safety and quality service. All purchasing
and specifications for almost all federal food programs. Qualifications. B. S.
Degree in Political Science, Few hours in Bus. Administration. None in nutrition.
Last year told us we were unorganized. Get out Act together. Be more visible. All
farm organizations didn't want the same thing. This year, How much more visible can we
get. Were told by kansas congressmen to bring tractors. All Farm organizations,
except Farm Bureau said impliment farm bill. Yet we have at least 3 bills being
formed by congressmen that say something else. We got out act together if they will
just get out of the way.

Farm Bureau says largest farm organization in US. Two largest county memberships are
Cook. County, Chicago and Houston. We're members of Farm Bureau. Were members of

because of low insurance rated, not policy.

What ever happened to the time when my biggest worry was what to serve to club or how the garden was doing or did I get my spring cleaning done. Now I worry about things like.

Why does wheat sell for \$3.00 a bu. here and bread for 56¢ a loaf and wheat sell for \$8.00 a bu. in Germany and bread 48¢ loaf.

Why has minimum wage increased 625% since 1948, Production costs increased 812% Farm Prices 12½ % since 1948

Why does USDA allow imported fruit and vegetables from Mexico. No standards on pesticides Oranges.

Why does USDA allow imported meat from sub-standard packers. Rules so strict in US.

Why did USDA allow imported meat to be fed to school children

Why does our armed forces buy imported meat. - NOT ONE TRACK MIND

How much is the Mid-East peace going to cost you and me. Isriael promised \$10 Bill in military aid. What was promised to Egypt. We bought peace in Mid-East.

How can we guarantee Isriael oil for the next 15 years, when we can't get it.

Why are foreigners buying up our land.

Why do we allow senate office bldg. Original estimate of \$47.9 Mill--Estimate of completion \$122 Mill. Cost overruns \$200 Mill. All that is there is steel girders.

I get upset and frustrated. But apathy is going to destroy us. Look around you. Lost father-son operation south of Lewis this winter. Father-son operation south

of Macksville 2 weeks ago. Farmers selling out. Thursday's paper, 6 farm auctions.

How many businesses in town.

Trip home.

Take material home. Article of police.

