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Senator Says Farmers Can't Be Dumped

By Dan McGrew

Washington, D. C., Monday p. m.—Republican Senator Lamar, Colorado, representing the Senate joined in a 2½ hour dinner news-conference with NFEA members.

Former Lt. Gov. of Colorado and a 30-year resident of Plains wheat and cattle center of Lamar, told farm editors, "I don't know how to solve the problem."

He said that he is not out of agriculture but in agriculture must be the nation's being ruined

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Washington Impressions

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and they offer a good repre- sentation of "official" Wash- ington Republicans, were ad- roit at moving the news con- ference away from subjects as, "What is the Republican farm legislation this 'ses- sion'?"

Being high in national pol- itics they know full well that the best they can hope for in Republican policies is modification of Democratic programs. Because while it appears from last week's symbolic REA vote that the Democrats may not be able to override a Presidential veto—they might.

Also, if the Democrats de- cide to, they can bottle up legislation desired by the Administration.

For these reasons, veteran D. C. newsmen told the "country editors", "... don't be greatly surprised at some of the compromises that come out of this. Because no matter what their politics, these men are Americans first and have the job of

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In This Week's LF

In this week's Lancaster Farming, you will find a series of news stories coming from special news-conferences with national figures at Washington. These stories and the review of the group derived from our editor's membership in Newspaper Farm Editors' Association, a professional group for the betterment of agriculture through better writing and editing for farmers.

Thanks to the exclusive nature of NFEA, Lancaster Farming is privileged to bring this series to our readers and we hope our reporting of small, specialized news conferences through NFEA brings you as much pleasure as it gives us.

Humphrey Offers 'Free Hand' for Benson

By Dan McGrew

Washington, Tuesday a.m.—Democratic Senator Humphrey, vigorously campaigning for support of his Presidential hopes, displayed an almost spell-binding personality this morning in outlining ideas of how he thinks the U. S. government should be operated, before a special breakfast news-conference of NFEA.

The session, appropriately conducted in the Presidential Room at Hotel Washington, lasted well beyond the scheduled time as the liberal Minnesotan stated candidly that, "I would like to have a crack at running the farm program"

He admitted that his interest centered on executive authority, "... higher than the post of Secretary of Agriculture" (The Presidency is the only U. S. post directly superior to the cabinet in administrative power.)

Humphrey described his plans to introduce a "Farm Bill", " before May 15, in

the Senate," which would as he described it, provide the Secretary of Agriculture with a virtual blank check to operate the farm program.

Humphrey explained his program as establishing national goals of desired farm income levels, outlining in general terms the necessary federal appropriations for these objectives (protocol insists that all mention of specific appropriations come from the House, since final authority for writing fiscal legislation remains in the House), and handing the Sec. of Agriculture a 'package of tools' to use as he sees fit

The "tools" would include such measures as land retirement, loans, support prices, marketing orders, surplus purchases, foreign distribution and other suggested methods, Humphrey stated

We have tried to include all the sound suggestions from Congress, the agriculture industries and the USDA. The legislation would merely establish a goal and tell the Secretary to use any, all, or none of the tools in the package, to achieve the goal he added.

The Minnesota Senator declared that the Administration's highly publicized 'Food for Peace' program is an attempt to "govern by slogan," and nothing solid had been offered in realistic implementation of the program.

He repeatedly belabored Ad (Continued on Page 13)



ROSS FERGUSON, Kirkwood, at right, swaps a "Thank You" for congratulations on his high COT placing from Earle J. Hershey, Martin's Hatchery representative who purchased Ferguson's Regional Heavyweight Champion lot of 15 broilers, weighing a total of 60 lbs, dressed weight Martin's paid 70 cents per lb, or \$42 for Ferguson's birds. —LF PHOTO

York Co. Dominates Area C-O-T

Every lot of the 156 entries in the regional Chicken-of-Tomorrow contest dressed poultry auction Wednesday at Lancaster Poultry Center sold on a 50c per lb floor established by buyers, with the top lot of 14 birds bringing \$123.90 at \$2.10 per pound

Frederick Miller, Dover RD4, was the junior grower of the high selling lot, which placed highest in the regional competition, while placing fifth in the state Tuesday at the Farm Show Building in Harrisburg, where state judging was conducted. American Stores Philadelphia region made the purchase.

Coming in behind Miller with a 90 cent sale, also from American, was H. Donald Grove, Delta RD 1. Nancy Boyer, Thomasville RD1, received 75 cents for her

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C-O-T REGIONAL judges (from left) Rugaber, Good and Loeschner inspect one of the eight lots of birds fed out by southeastern Pennsylvania youngsters, which was judged good enough for state competition. No placings were made on the top eight in the region, all placings coming from the state judging, Tuesday at the Farm Show Building. The Regional dressing and judging took place Saturday at the Producer's Cooperative Exchange plant in Coatesville. —LF PHOTO