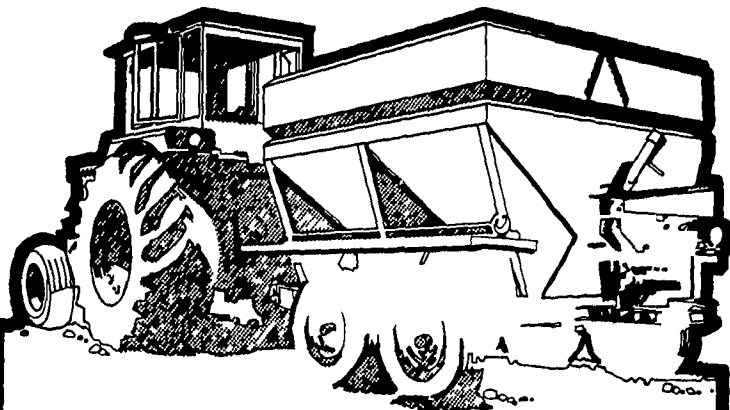
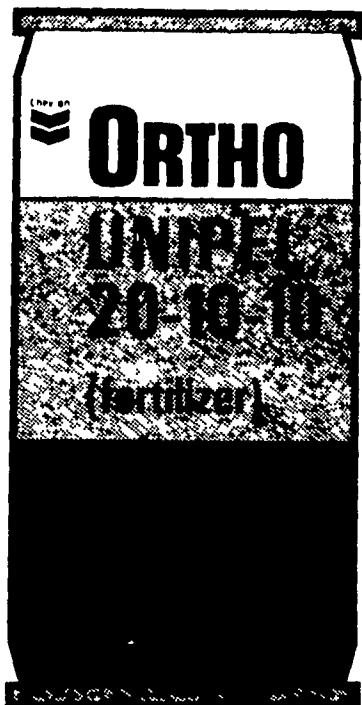


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Outstanding local corn growers are receiving high yield awards from the producers of Funk's G-Hybrids for their yields in 1972 Project 200. They are Christ Habecker and Ronald Carper of Lancaster, and Irvin G. Engle of Cochransville.

Project 200 is a national high yield corn growing contest. Beginning in 1969, the contest had over 5,500 corn growers participating in 1971.

The yields, and hybrids reported by the growers are: C. Habecker and R. Carper, 136.1 bushels per acre made with G-4646 and I. Engle, 141.4 bushels per acre made with G-4646.

Corn growers who take part in Project 200 machine harvest and shell a minimum of two acres from not less than four adjacent rows running the full length of the field. Yields are converted to No 2 corn and all figures are validated by a disinterested witness.

The top yield in 1971 was 289.9 bushels per acre. Overall average yield of 5,500 entries was 146.5 bushels per acre.

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ED ESHLEMAN'S WASHINGTON REPORT

The first piece of legislation that I am individually offering for consideration by the 93rd Congress is an anti-junketing bill. It is a bill designed to end the much-abused practice of overseas travel by "lame-duck" Congressmen at the taxpayers' expense.

Last year there were more retirements than usual from the Congress. Far too many of these retiring Members decided to take one last fling overseas on government money. That experience should make it obvious that we need a law to make sure that such trips are not permitted in the future.

Certain traveling done by Congressmen involves legitimate and necessary government business. But in no way can a "lame-duck" Congressman seeing the world at government expense be called official business.

Therefore, I have drafted what I think is a tough bill to end junkets. It bans overseas travel by "lame duck" Members. In addition, it goes further than most previous bills of its kind by attaching a criminal penalty in the form of a \$2500 fine for violation of the law.

Under this bill, retiring or

defeated Members could use no part of any appropriation and no Federal property (for example, military aircraft) in connection with travel outside the United States. And any "lame duck" who knowingly used Federal money or property for such travel would be subject to the fine.

Evidently, there is some enthusiasm for this type of legislation this year. One of the national news magazines mentioned recently that plans are underway to get anti-junketing legislation moving.

A colleague from Illinois, Robert Michel, is introducing a similar bill that I plan to co-sponsor. The difference between the Michel approach and my own is that his bill contains no reference to use of Federal property nor does it establish any criminal penalties.

However, it seems to me that some kind of legislation of this type is so vital that I am willing to join on any measure that seems to have some chance of getting passed.

Why do I say it is vital? After all, none of the great issues of our time really seem to be involved.

But the central issue here is not the junkets themselves. The real issue is the harm they do in destroying people's confidence in elected officials. And with confidence in Congress at such a low ebb, maybe in that light the anti-junketing bill becomes somewhat more significant.

One of the problems with this kind of bill is that as we move away from last year's junketing season, the enthusiasm for doing something about it legislatively begins to cool. And as we move toward the season when other Members begin to think about retiring or are beginning to get defeated, the legislative prospects go from cool to cold.

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