

Jesse Wood announces candidacy



A farmer from Little Britian Township, where he has been engaged in farming for the past 25 years, has announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination for state representative from the 100 Legislative District, a position currently held by Sherman Hill.

The candidate, Jesse Wood, believes his 25 years of living and working in a rural community give him a first-hand knowledge of the many problems confronting farmers of his district.

He believes in free enterprise in the business world; fewer federal and state controls for our citizens. He thinks state agencies should be reviewed, to be sure they are performing the purpose for which they were established.

"All citizens are for clean air, clean water, and beautiful surroundings, but not at the expense of chasing factories and business out of our state, and controlling our farms in such a way that we will end up with a "food crisis", similar to the "energy crisis" we have been experiencing," he says.

Rural roads should be turned back to the townships with sufficient funds to maintain them, thus stretching our tax dollars. Land use is an important issue in Lancaster County, says Wood.

Wood, 42 has held public offices in Little Britian Township since 1955. At present he is serving as Committeeman, and Certified Sewage Enforcement Officer.

He is a member of the Wakefield Lions Club, Lancaster County Farmers Association, Fulton Grange, and is presently serving as Master of Lancaster County Pomona Grange. He is a member of the Agriculture Committee of the Pennsylvania State Grange.

His wife, Ruth Ann, is a mail carrier for Nottingham. They have five children, three still living at home. They are sponsors for two Vietnamese brothers, and at the present time have an exchange student from Lima, Peru, sharing their home.

Beekeepers to register colonies in Maryland.

ANNAPOLIS - It is time for Maryland beekeepers to register their colonies with the Maryland Department of Agriculture which has mailed the annual registration forms.

Chief Apiary Inspector John V. Lindner points out that registration serves as valuable insurance to beekeepers in that it enables faster action in the case of bee diseases because MDA will know at a glance where all colonies are located in an area if infection strikes a colony. Also, under law, only registered colonies are eligible for USDA's pesticide indemnification program should a colony be wiped out due to misuse of pesticides.

Mr. Lindner says that this year sees a change in the registration period in that registration will now run on a straight calendar year basis. Up until now, the annual registration period began in July. Henceforth, registration will run from January through December.

Any beekeeper not receiving an application from MDA may secure one by writing to: Apiary Inspection, Maryland Department of Agriculture,

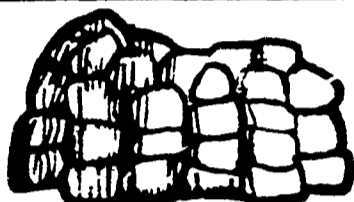
Plant Industry Division, College Park, Maryland, 20742 or by calling Mr. Lindner directly at 301-454-3548.

Informed required on the registration forms is simple: the name and address of the beekeeper, the county where the apiary is located, the number of colonies contained at each apiary location, etc.

The Maryland beekeeping law dates back to 1916. Statistics for 1975 show that the number of registered beekeepers jumped 50 percent from 1974 and the

number of colonies registered increased some 60 percent to a total of 10,032. The average Maryland beekeeper has 4 to 8 colonies while several have as many as 500 to 1,000.

Bees, known as "The Wings of Agriculture", are indispensable as pollinators of fruits, vegetables, and many forest trees and plants. Honey production statistics for Maryland show that in 1975 some 253,000 pounds of honey valued at \$172,000 and 4,000 pounds of beeswax valued at \$6,000 were produced.



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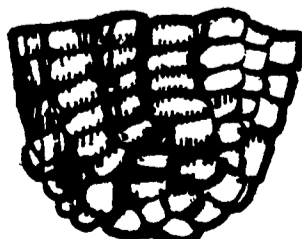
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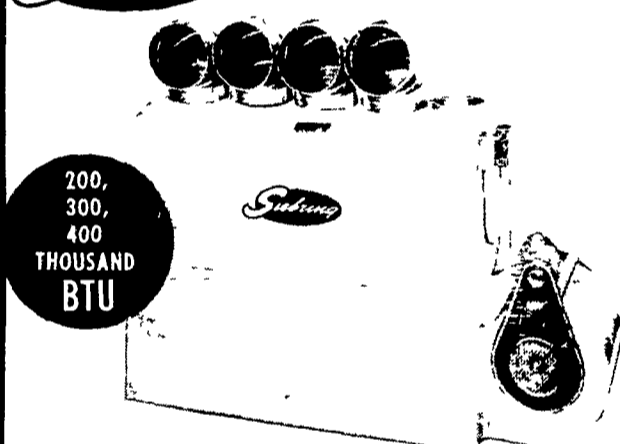


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