

Aamodt reveals platform

"A three pronged attack is necessary to save the family farm, says Norman Aamodt, Republican candidate for Congress, who prides himself as being the only candidate with farming experience. "First, low cost loans must be made available to second and third sons in farm families to allow them to establish themselves in farming. Second, farm land must be taxed as farm land and not on the same basis as development ground. Third, a fair market must be established by promoting a competitive climate with foreign imports. Taxes which American farmers must pay are rebate to European farmers so that European farm products have an unfair competitive advantage in the world market." Aamodt proposed import tariffs to match foreign rebates.

Stressing the need for natural and moral environmental protection, Aamodt noted that the Declaration of Independence speaks of our right to "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." Today, he observed, the emphasis in our country is on the pursuit of pleasure. Aamodt's campaign slogan, "You'll be happier with Aamodt in Congress," is related to his desire to bring a return to government with constitutional limits. Aamodt opposes gun control because it violates a right guaranteed by the second amendment, and takes a similar stand against abortion.

In international affairs, Aamodt stresses the im-

portance of a strong American. He sees detente as hazardous, opposes giving away the Panama Canal, and advocates a strong defense posture supported by adequate research and development to insure superiority in technology and weaponry over the Soviets.

A four term limit to congressional offices is an Aamodt proposal to keep government closer to the people. Aamodt, vowing to set the example himself by stepping down after eight years, would initiate legislation to control political dynasties created by limitless re-election of congressmen.

Married and the father of three children, Aamodt is an honor graduate of Stevens Institute of Technology and is presently farming in Chester County.

Herb garden planned for national arboretum

BELTSVILLE, Md. - The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the Herb Society of America have completed arrangements for creating a National Herb Garden on the grounds of the National Arboretum in Washington, D.C. The announcement was made jointly recently by Dr. John Creech, Director of the Arboretum, and Mrs. Andrew Jyurovat, President of the Herb Society.

The Society will finance the project, which is estimated to cost about \$250,000, including design, construction, and development. This venture was made possible by recent passage of legislation permitting USDA to accept gifts on behalf of the Arboretum, making them fully tax-deductible.

"The Agricultural Research Service is indebted to the Herb Society of America for its generous Bicentennial gift to the American people through the

Arboretum," stated Creech. "The Herb Garden will join the other great Collections here, such as the Gotelli conifers and the Japanese bonsai, which are without parallel anywhere in the world. The new Garden will serve the public well, in educating and helping people understand the long history of herbs in the United States."

The new facility will contain a formal "knot" garden with plants arranged in intricate patterns resembling various kinds of knots. Also planned are specialty herb gardens - for medicinals, flavorings, essential oils, bees, dyes, and teas, as well as herbs used by Indians and early colonial settlers. Species roses - the old fashioned non-hybrid types - will also be featured in special arrangements.

"It is particularly appropriate to initiate such a Garden in connection with America's Bicentennial,"

said Mrs. Jyurovat. "An Herb Garden at the Arboretum will sum up the long contribution herbs have made to America's well-being, pleasure and commerce, and serve as an introduction to their new role in science.

"It will be a teaching garden, an historic garden, and a garden of the finest in design and planting. Above all, it will be a garden of inspiration and continuity and affection. Each ethnic group will discover something of its heritage here, and just as America brought a diversity of people together and enriched their lives by their being together, so will the National Herb Garden."

The Herb Society that Mrs. Jyurovat now heads was organized in 1935 and numbers about 1,100 members throughout the U.S. and Canada. Members had wanted for many years to build an Herb Garden at the National Arboretum. With the passage of the enabling legislation, they are now moving ahead to implement their hopes. According to Mrs. Jyurovat, the Society is now in the process of raising the initial \$50,000 to complete early stages of the design and construction. The Arboretum will maintain the Garden after it is constructed, and will provide a horticulturist trained in the culture of herbs.

The new facility will be located opposite the terrace of the Arboretum's Administration Building within a large, lovely meadow. The actual herb plantings will occupy probably less than one acre, including walkways and terraces, and a background of various shrubs and trees. The Garden's size and layout will permit it to accommodate fairly large groups for visits and study. The Arboretum will extend its educational programs to include herb culture and uses.

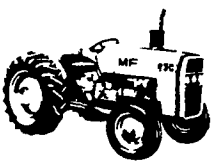
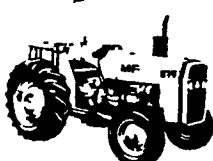
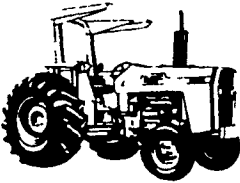


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