



**On being  
a farm wife  
- And other  
hazards**

**Joyce Bupp**

A couple of weeks ago, this column lamented the perils of cold weather and how there just was nothing good to be said for sub-zero Arctic air masses.

Well, I've relented. It's stayed so doggone cold for so

doggone long that I've had more time to think about it.

In fact, believe it or not, there are truly some merits to this frigid, frozen January

Remember weeds? Not for even one second today do

you have to feel guilty because you're not out there in the backyard patch hoeing the little rascals from between the tomatoes and the zinnias.

The fact that I ran the lawn mower battery dead when it stalled out and I forgot to turn off the switch has become irrelevant.

How many cutworms, armyworms, leafhoppers, potato beetles, alfalfa weevils or squash bugs could possibly have survived in this deep-frozen ground?

Curling up in a chair, after the milking's done, in a warm robe, slippers and warm afghan, does not produce the guilt feeling that I should be outside working in the yard.

We can make homemade ice cream any day we please, since the readily available stockpiles of ice becomes increasingly abundant.

All those unsightly, ungathered piles of last Fall's leaves can't be raked up because they're frozen into solid, immovable lumps.

And finally, tell me, when have you last seen a fly? Any fly with a smudgeon of sense is down on the beaches of Miami pestering the luckies who spend the winter there.

And the rumor is, that all those flies not going to Florida instead chartered a trip to France, where they became caught in a bitter cold spell and were turned into frozen French flies

**Inter-State names PR director**



**Kathy Gill**

SOUTHAMPTON — Kathy E Gill has been named director of member and public relations for Inter-State Milk Producers' Cooperative, announced James E. Honan, general manager.

Gill, a native of Dawson, Ga., had been employed as an agricultural economist at the Virginia Water Resources Research Center in Blacksburg.

She completed a Master of Science degree in agricultural economics at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg, in August 1979.

Gill graduated magna cum laude from the University of Georgia, Athens, receiving a Bachelor of Arts degree in journalism in 1977. In 1975, she completed an Associate of Arts program at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College (ABAC) in Tifton, Ga.

She has worked for the United States Department of Agriculture in Washington

cultural Communicators of Tomorrow, editor of The Georgia Agriculturist and president of the Sigma Delta Chi, the Society of Professional Journalists. She was also a Rho-Mate of Alpha Gamma Rho.

At ABAC, Gill edited The Stallion, the 10-year outstanding junior college newspaper in Georgia. She was top honor graduate of her class and received the George P. Donaldson Award for outstanding graduate.

Gill is a member of American Agricultural Economics Association, Sigma Delta Chi, Phi Kappa Phi, Mortar Board, Omicron Delta Kappa, and Kappa Tau Alpha. She has received numerous communications awards.

Inter-State markets over two billion pounds of milk annually for 3000 dairy farmers in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and West Virginia.

as a junior economist, for former Senator Herman Talmadge of Georgia as a press intern and for National 4-H Congress as a press aid.

Gill participated in both communications and agricultural organizations as a student. She served as national vice president of Agri-

**New Idea Shows New Equipment**

HARRISBURG — Avco New Idea has several new products for 1981 which were included at Farm Show.

These included two new updated Uni System power units, Model 800 and 802. The 138-HP Model 800 and 175-HP Model 802 are replacement models for the popular 708 and 709. These reliable new units are backed up by over five years or successful testing experience in a variety of harvesting conditions.

They feature a bold new look with black cabs and new identification. Their stronger frame and transmission expand the interchangeability of the Uni

System by permitting the 800 series processing units to be mounted on them. They still retain interchangeability with the older 700 series processing units. The ability to team up with the 818 Combine gives 6-row capacity at an economical price.

Also new in the Uni System line this year is a 6-row wide corn head specially designed to be matched with the high capacity 838 Husker. This offers increased harvesting capacity for seed corn operations where planting and growing practices utilize wide-spaced rows.

Avco New Idea showed a new rake this year, Model 406, which is a 9½ foot belt drive rake. The 406 features improved styling, greater capacity, easier operation, longer and easier service life. The 406 is a left hand raking model which can be teamed up with the new 407 right hand raking model and the Model 410 (also new) 3-pt. dual hitch for double windrowing.

A new economy spreader for fertilizer and seed, Model 107, is also new from New

Idea in 81. The 107 is a single spinner models that offers added performance and reliability while retaining the low investment cost of a single spinner spreader.

The seamless steel 10.5 cubic foot hopper holds 690 pounds of fertilizer or 8.5 bushels of seed. The cast iron hopper base provides added resistance to corrosion and abrasion. Stainless steel is used extensively for added reliability of spreading components.

The 243 manure spreader was introduced last fall for sales this year by Avco New Idea dealers. The 250-bushel model offers a choice of single or tandem axles — both are compact and easy to maneuver.

The 250-bushel capacity ranks the 243 as an intermediate-size model in the Avco New Idea lineup, but it's built just as rugged as the largest model. Like every New Idea manure spreader, the all-wood box offers special advantages because it will not rust and comes with a lifetime warranty on wood.

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