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boom of the 1970s a lot of land that is subject to water or wind erosion was put into row crops. That land is being damaged even as it contributes to a surplus of wheat and other crops." He said proposals to reduce acreage and production are already stressing the need to make these reductions on land which shouldn't be cultivated — thus moving in the direction of buying easements.

"The difficulty with all these proposals to buy away from a farmer, on behalf of the community at large, his right to use his land as he sees fit, including its misuse, is their costliness. If Americans choose to do more in the future to preserve their

resource base of land and water, I doubt all the necessary steps can be rendered painless by state or federal subsidy," he said. "Some amount of compulsion seems unavoidable."

He cited an opinion poll of Missouri's leading farmers last spring which showed an almost unanimous concern for doing more to protect cropland against erosion. Though many farmers said they prefer to rely on present voluntary programs, 44 percent supported adding some degree of compulsion. "One technique is so-called cross compliance attached to government acreage and price support programs," Breimyer said. "A farmer would be required to meet minimum standards of soil protection in order to qualify for program benefits. I predict that cross compliance will be in-

troduced within a few years "

Another key issue to be dealt with, he said, is just what form the American farm should take in order to survive.

"Farmers nationwide are concerned for their proprietorial integrity. To many just now the term may mean financial survival. The broader meaning is who will own and control the land and the status of the farmer who farms it.

"This is certain to be a sensitive topic in Delaware with its combination of contractual integration in broilers and more traditional market buying and selling in corn and soybeans. Anyone looking at agriculture with honest eyes would have to say broilers are closer to the model for the future than are corn and soybeans... To some of us it seems incongruous that all farm organizations declare their

preference for a traditional proprietorial agriculture, something close to the family farm, yet few are trying to do anything about it."

Turning to the economic outlook for the rest of the 1980s, Breimyer admitted that making predictions can be hazardous. He said even now the situation in agriculture is being misread. "We rivet our eyes and elevate our tempers as we look at the weakening international market. However, the biggest negative force in the 1980s has been our own Depression, which is only now being alleviated.

"In our preoccupation with export trade we have forgotten that three-fourths of the products of our agriculture go to our own consumers. When those consumers face unemployment and tight

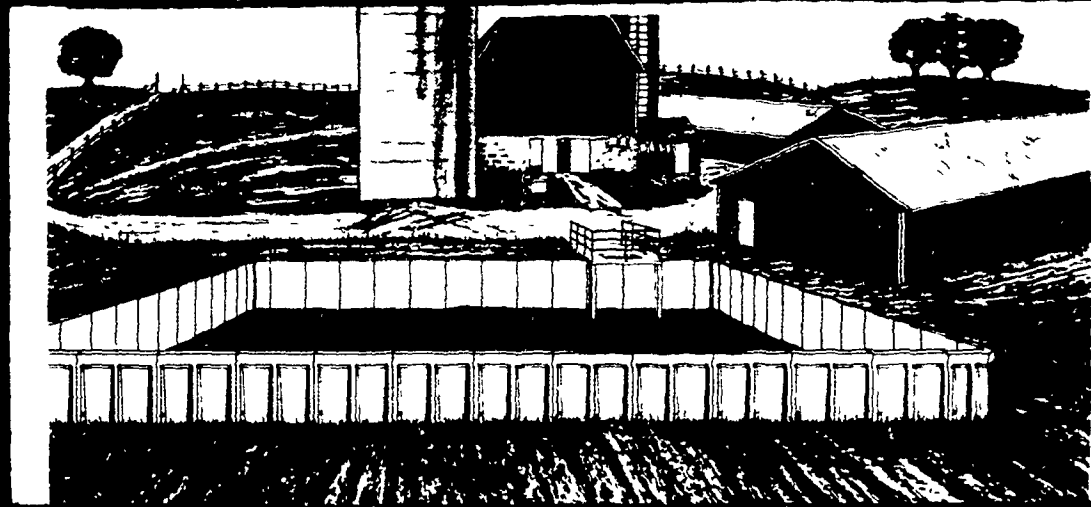
family budgets, as they have in the 1980s, they reduce their demand for the high value foods produced by our farms. They especially cut back on livestock and poultry products and some of the fruits and vegetables

"The biggest single factor that will affect the future of agriculture in Delaware and elsewhere will be the state of the U.S. economy," he said. But he stressed that export markets also are important, especially for Delaware's three main commodities — corn, soybeans and broilers.

The government currently faces a dilemma in export policy, the economist said. It is popular just now to say that world trade is being politicized. The statement is true, but not in the way usually

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