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Question1: I am 25 years old, and wanting to take over the farm in the next couple of years. Due to the competition of large farms; competing, purchasing land from my father, and low grain prices makes nearly a no profit situation for me. There's nothing I would rather do than to farm, but as the farming industry changes to suit large corporation like farms; young men like myself are becoming increasingly discouraged farm carrying on the family tradition.

Question2: Farm prices in the 1960s and 1970s were about the same as they are now. What is the reason for this? With millions more people in our country and throughout the world, shouldn't there be a greater demand for farm products? Market prices have lagged far behind all of the expenses that have increased over the last three or four decades. What has changes for the worse? What has changed for the better? There must be an in-between.

Question3: Capitalizaition in the farming industry is becoming a major factor in the decreasing number of citizens in the rural communities. I think the one way to distribute assistance more evenly is to put a cap on the amount of assistance per acres. For example, (farmers will recieve assistance for 3000 acres and any amount of land farmed in excess of 3000 acres will be up to that individual farmer to take the risk of taking a loss due to a drought, flood, etc).

Question4: 1) Incentives for planting tree rows.

2) More money for CRP land.

3) Grant money for farmers willing to venture into converting machinery into crop based fuel machines.

Question5: Small to medium size farms are being out classed by the corporation type farms. In order to keep young men and women interested in farming, there must be programs to support only the small or medium size farmers. (Mentioned above) Putting a cap on assistance to farmers. This would slow down farmers monopolizing small and medium size farms.

Question6: Better incentives for quality of grain. This could possibly, but not necessarily give smaller farms a better chance at survival.