

debt to be paid than assets with which to pay it.

Williams posed the question, "What is true wealth?" He answered, "The tangible objects God has created . . . land"; several in the audience were heard to murmur in reply, "the mind." He ended by advising some "cures" for the situation. he said, "Attempt to get out of debt. . . . Beware of usury. . . . Set family priorities. . . . Get involved in government . . . take responsibility for your health." He said, "Stand up to your adversity. Either you stand up for something, or you fall for anything."

### Urban-rural alliance

**Phil Valenti**, Pennsylvania Food for Peace spokesman, described the gains from concrete actions over the past few months by a coalition of "farmers and eaters." Saying that there "can be no faith without works," Valenti told how an alliance of veterans, civil rights leaders, farm activists, and neighbors demonstrated on behalf of western Pennsylvania farmer Bernard Tobin, whose rights to retain his farm and produce food were being jeopardized by the federal lending agency, the Farmers Home Administration. So far, the FmHA has had to back down twice.



Exchange visits to farms, churches, and communities have been undertaken through Food for Peace, between white rural farm families and black inner-city families. This fighting alliance has taken on the issue of giving the dairy farmers in the state—one of the nation's top five milk producers—parity (fair) prices, and exposing the price gouging by such monopolists as the Bronfman family, which owns many dairies through its Labatt's beer and Seagrams whisky companies.

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### Demand justice for all

Virginia farm leader **Jack Hall** decried the police-state measures now in effect in his state and elsewhere. Earlier this year, Hall joined O.G. Christian in a series of Capitol Hill meetings to pressure Congress for emergency action on food and farm policy, and to end police-state tactics against farm activists. All the farm speakers denounced the jailing of Lyndon LaRouche and associates, and the harassment of others.

A statement was released sent by Lindsey Williams and Australian farm leader Ian Murphy to President Bush. It read:

"The jailing of Lyndon LaRouche has sent shock waves round the world and through all patriots, nationalist politicians, and freedom-loving citizens.

"We are shocked and amazed by the subversion of natural justice in the U.S.A.

"The question we must ask is, 'What are the real forces now persecuting Lyndon LaRouche in the home of the brave and the land of the free?'"

"Lyndon LaRouche is not in jail for what he has done but simply because he is a brave and patriotic American standing up for American tradition and truth.

"When President Bush releases Lyndon LaRouche, he will have proved he stands for the great American traditions of truth, justice, and freedom for all under God's laws."



## Save the family farmer!

*This resolution was passed by the Pennsylvania affiliate of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) at the end of October.*

WHEREAS independent family farmers have been the backbone of food production in America; and

WHEREAS tens of thousands of independent family farmers are being forced out of business every year, while hunger and starvation increase at home and abroad;

WHEREAS the main reason for the problem is the unfavorable financial policies used by the power structure against the family farmer; and

WHEREAS everybody's freedom is threatened if big corporations take over total control of food; and

WHEREAS the food crisis is made worse by the set-aside policy, where farmers are made to keep good land out of production; and

WHEREAS, as the shortage of food strikes this nation, it will impact hardest on black people and other minority populations of the big cities;

THEREFORE we in the NAACP resolve that every effort be made to get the government to take concrete steps to save the independent family farmer.