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The end of a tradition

Purveyear Playboys Dave Chambers, left, Vince Garcia, middle, and Dan Grim display their long-standing tradition of dorm pride with their "Purveyear's Last Push Shift" T-shirts.

More than 1,000 USDA offices to close in streamlining move

WASHINGTON (AP) — The department says the plan is part of a larger streamlining effort that could cut the payroll by 11,000 people and save \$3.6 billion over five years. The department has 110,000 full-time employees and a 1995 budget of \$67 billion.

The department says farmers will be better served by fewer locations, because service centers for commodity programs, crop insurance, loans and some conservation programs will be put under one roof. A new Consolidated Farm Service Agency will do most of the work of four.

But many people out in farm country were skeptical.

"If this streamlines the situation and doesn't require a lot of sacrifice, we're all for it," said Greg Hicks, communications director for the Farm Bureau in Virginia, where the number of office locations will drop from 111 to 54. "But we have a feeling it's really going to create a difficult situation for some farmers."

Virginia and the rest of the South will account for more than half of the 1,070 closings, which will drop the number of locations from 3,601 to 2,531. Georgia will be hit hardest, losing 101 of its 193 offices. Texas follows, losing 98 offices, but will keep 219 — far more offices than any other state.

The offices sprouted up because of laws enacted in the Depression era, when 6.8 million farms operated. Today, the nation has fewer than 2 million farms, fewest since before the Civil War.

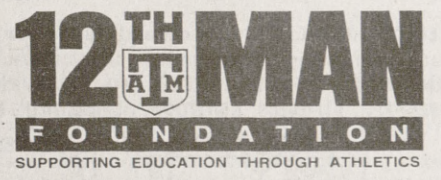
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