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"We must open the doors of opportunity. But we must also equip our people to walk through those doors."

Lyndon B. Johnson  
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United States

"Surely, it is not beyond our resources nor our ingenuity to include in our war against poverty these always 'excluded' Americans (the migrants)."

Sargent Shriver  
Director  
Office of Economic Opportunity

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## LATIN AMERICA CIUB

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thing would be printed until the study was finished.

There were questions and answers and lively discussion.

The club expects that Dr. Griffin and Newswriter Olmos will attend a later meeting.

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a publicar los resultados del estudio antes de que se terminará.

Hubo una sesión de preguntas y respuestas y un debate animado resultó.

El club espera que el Dr. Griffin y el Periodista Olmos asistieran a la próxima reunión.

## COMING NEXT WEEK

"Hops Harvest," by Ivan Wells.

"Migrants Are Proud," by Ella H. Rigney.

"Dream of a Child," by Judi Jarvill.

"Migrant Family Enjoys New Camp," by Bob and Juanita Watt.

## LA SEMANA PROXIMA

"La Cosecha De Lupulo O Hops," por Ivan Wells.

"Los Migrantes Son Orgullosos," por Ella H. Rigney.

"El Sueño Del Niño," por Judi Jarvill.

"Una Familia Migratoria Disfruta De Un Campamento Nuevo," por Bob y Juanita Watt.

# HOW DO YOU ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS?

## This newspaper says YES

1. SHOULD THE MIGRANT WORKER TRY TO COME BACK TO THE SAME GROWER EACH YEAR?

no

yes

The grower will try to take control of the worker more and more. The grower will take advantage of the worker's trust, and will charge him more for his transportation. The grower will find ways to keep the worker in debt to him. Accordingly, each year, the worker should look for the grower who will give him the best bargain in prices and living conditions. If the worker starts to work for one grower and another grower gives him a better deal, he should quit the first and go to the second.

The worker should try to return to the same grower each year. The grower is trying to play with him. In this way, the migrant worker begins to find security. He does not have to look for a new location each year. He can be friends with the grower, and at the end of each season he can agree with the grower that he will come back again next year. The following spring he can write the grower that he plans to return. He will not need to work through a contract. He and the grower can learn to trust each other.

2. SHOULD THE MIGRANT WORKER AND HIS FAMILY KEEP THEIR CABIN CLEAN? AND TAKE GOOD CARE OF THE CAMP PROPERTIES?

no

yes

The cabin belongs to the grower. The migrant worker is not paid to keep it clean. The grower is making enough money on the migrant's work to pay the cost of cleaning the camp. Let the grower look after his own property.

The migrant worker and his family should do their best to keep everything in good order. Cleanliness is an essential part of life. It is necessary for one's own health and well being. If the parents do practice care and cleanliness, their children will grow up without learning bad habits. When people from the migrant stream go to other work, the good habits they have learned in the migrant camp will help them succeed.

3. SHOULD THE MIGRANT WORKER TRY CONSTANTLY TO IMPROVE HIMSELF? SHOULD HE TRY TO BE A BETTER MIGRANT WORKER?

no

yes

If he does this, he is in danger of becoming a captive of his own occupation. If he takes pride in being a migrant worker, he will never move himself out of the migrant stream, but will dig his own path deeper and deeper. He should avoid this. He should give the least possible consideration to improving himself as a migrant and should put his real attention on the problem of getting into another line of work.

He should try constantly to improve himself. It is his work that he is doing is his present means of making a living for himself and his family. Although he may be preparing himself for a different job---and it is true that the coming of the machines may force him to do this---he will do the greatest possible service to himself and his family if he learns habits of excellence in everything he does.

If he must travel from Texas to Oregon, he should try to travel economically, on the best, safest road.

In his work, he should try to cooperate with the grower, and to earn the respect of the grower--whether the grower meets him halfway or not. At all times he should conduct himself with the purpose of winning respect for himself and his family.

He will make sure that he understands clearly how much he will be paid for his work, and he will work closely to be sure that he receives his fair pay, according to the promises of the grower or the contractor.

He will do everything possible to raise his standards as a migrant. Then--whether he and his family are on being a part of the migrant stream --or whether they find other employment--they will possess the valuable habits of improving themselves.

Every man, for his own self respect, and for his future development, should strive for excellence in present work.