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Preface

The objective of the Southern Region No-Tillage Conference is to promote no-tillage production systems by providing a means of communication between research, extension, conservation, and industry personnel and agricultural producers from the thirteen states in the Southern region. "The Rising Hope of Our Land" is from the preamble to the charter of the University of Georgia written by Abraham Baldwin in 1785. In this year of the Bicentennial of the University, it is a fitting theme for this Conference. Not only does it verbally symbolize the College of Agriculture and its resources in teaching, research, and service, but it expresses the hope of success in soil conservation and productivity offered by no-tillage production methods - hope for our land, for our farmers, for our future.

The first no-tillage conference was held among seven southeastern states in 1978 and was hosted by the Georgia Station. This year marks a new beginning with an expanded conference, which includes all thirteen states in the Southern region. The Georgia Station is honored to be the site of the 1985 conference. It is our hope that this publication will be effective in accomplishing the objective of the conference.

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