

Around The Farms In Chowan County

By C. W. OVERMAN, Chowan County Agent

Peanut Suggestions: Additional nitrogen applied to peanuts at a specific time increased the yield profitably, according to research data explained by Peanut Specialist Astor Perry. The specific time was July 15 to 20. Fifty pounds of actual nitrogen side dressed per acre on July 15 increased the yield 200 pounds per acre. An application of 100 pounds of nitrogen increased the yield 400 pounds per acre.

This is not an over-all recommendation but a practice some peanut growers may want to try on an acre or two. For those who may wish to try it, sidedress with 300 to 600 pounds of 16% nitrate of soda per acre or 250 to 500 pounds of 20% nitrogen per acre during the specific period of

duction champion. This recognition is made on the basis of all peanuts a grower produces on all of the acreage he grows. Mr. Byrum's crop averaged 4,459 pounds of peanuts per acre on his entire acreage. This yield was aided by good weather but it didn't just happen. Isaac followed through on all recommended practices including shallow cultivation. He informed me that he applies Terraclor as recommended every year and does not take a chance on trouble with southern stem rot. Growers who expect the possibility of stem rot trouble may do well to apply Terraclor now to prevent the disease.

The Home Garden: The home garden is wonderful from which to get health giving vegetables and save on the grocery bill. I realize that at times the garden is a bother to our regular farm operation and other occupations, yet a good garden produces more actual value than any other spot on the farm or around the home. Pests are numerous; grass, weeds, insects, diseases and nematodes and maybe others, but these can be controlled if we will only take a little time. Last Saturday Miss Ruth pickled the snap beans in our garden and informed me that we had some bean beetles. I immediately went out with the duster and applied 5 percent sevin. The beetles were just starting to do some real damage. We must keep in mind that an ounce of prevention is worth more than a pound of cure.

July is here and time to get the fall planting under way. If there are plants that are not looking right, especially tomatoes, carefully dig up a plant by the roots and see if there are knots or galls on the roots. If there are galls present, you have a nematode problem and the only solution is to get out and fumigate the soil to control the pest. In this case fumigate the soil before planting the fall crop. Call on us for information if you need it.

Do you have a black sooty substance on the leaves of your gardenias or other plants? If so, most likely your plants are infested with white fly. These are tiny white insects that fly out of the bush when you shake it. To control these, you may spray with 25 percent malathion mixed at the rate of two teaspoons to a gallon of water. Repeat the spray in about three weeks or whenever the insects are noticed again. Bag worm ruin many arborvitae and other cedrus type plants each year, yet they are so easily controlled. Spray or dust the plants thoroughly with any good stomach poison such as malathion, DLT, Toxaphene or any good cotton insecticide. Remember, keep chemicals out of the reach of children. Read the label and follow the instructions.

ASCS NEWS

By H. O. WEST

Compliance

Representatives of the Chowan County ASCS office have visited approximately 94 per cent of all farms for which acreage determinations are to be made under 1966 programs. A notice of measured acreage will be mailed to the operator of each farm on which acreage determinations are made. Farmers are urged to pay close attention to this notice in order to comply with programs requirements in connection with disposition of excess acreage and adjustment of deficient diverted acreage.

Where insufficient diverted acreage is designated and no additional acreage is added, no payment can be made under the feed grain program. This also applies to excess feed grains (corn and grain sorghum). The determined acreage must be within an established tolerance to even earn payment. Payments will be reduced if the acreage is within the tolerance but below the intended diversion or if the feed grain is more than that permitted. Notices have been mailed to most farmers and those who haven't received one, will in a few days. Intentions must be stated within 15 days from the date the notice is mailed.

1967 Wheat Program
Some of the major provisions of the program are: The county ASCS office has been advised to collect social security numbers from all producers (owner, landlord, operator, tenant and sharecropper). Form 3435-A, Request for Identifying Number - Farmer, will be mailed to all producers that we do not have a record of a social security number. When you receive this form, please return as soon as possible.

Sunday School Lesson
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right to command! And—just as surely—we have the obligation to obey His commandments!

We have nothing to lose (and so much to gain) by giving our lives to God. By so doing we grow as individuals; we enrich our souls; we bring pleasure, happiness and comfort to those around us; and we bring joy to our Heavenly Father, because of the great love He bears us.

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Outdoor Tips

From the Ancient Age Sportsman's Idea Exchange

SHINE CHROME
Rubbing tarnished chrome with aluminum foil will put a shine back on it.

SLAP EEL
Reports say a couple of whacks of an eel on a rock or boat seat will quiet it enough to allow it to be grabbed and taken off the hook.

WAIT FOR DEER
When you spot a deer don't move a muscle. Stand absolutely steady until he flicks his tail. Then shoot. Reason: When you spot him he is probably poised to spring. If he flicks his tail he has relaxed... enough to give you a quick shot.

FROG BAG
Bags carrots come in are good for storing frogs. Small perforations allow frog to breathe. Transparent, too, so you see which frog you want.

SPOOL STORAGE
Use empty adhesive rolls for line storage. Reel holds

the line, cover keeps line dry, out of sunlight and clean. Rolls come in all sizes.

MUD TRAVEL
Got to cross wet, muddy stretches. Make it easy on yourself. Wear your snowshoes. They won't sink in the mud. A hose down at the day's end cleans them up quick.

NO SNAG
Snags can steal lures.

Guard against it by putting a fishing bubble about a yard above the lure. Then it hits snags, lifts over and keeps lure clear. Well, usually.

People who read and seldom think are the enemies of democracy, whether they realize it or not.

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