

Production To Increase During Next Quarter Century

Per Worker, Per Animal And Per Acre Will Go Up In Years To Come Along With Population Rise

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During the next generation, U. S. farmers will continue to produce more meat, grains, milk, eggs, cotton, and other products to adequately feed our rapidly growing population. At the same time, farmers will be able to maintain soil fertility by providing a continuing supply of farm products for our increasing population.

Seed Treatment Gives Insurance

Soybean Planted Before Regular Crop Is Sowed Provides Increase In Stand From 11 To 208 Per Cent

Soybean seed treatment before planting has proved to be a very good form of insurance for growers to take out," Howard R. Garriss, Extension plant pathologist at State College, said recently after inspecting 10 demonstrations in several eastern counties of the State.

"In every demonstration checked," Mr. Garriss stated, "there was an increase in stand as compared to adjacent plots planted to untreated seed from the same lot. Stands in these 10 demonstrations were increased from 11 to 208 per cent, with an average increase of 62 per cent over the untreated plots."

D. W. Ballance, Pasquotank County, obtained a stand increase of 208 per cent. On the treated plot he had 261 plants per 25 feet of row as compared with only 52 plants per 25 feet on the untreated area.

W. E. Cox, Beaufort County, obtained a 98 per cent increase in stand; M. E. Boone, Pasquotank, 83 per cent; Gilbert Tunnell, Hyde, 72 per cent; and W. C. Waters, Beaufort, 48 per cent.

Mr. Garriss said that seed treatment usually is more effective in the earlier plantings, but the Ballance demonstration, on which the greatest increase in stand was shown, was not planted until June 29, later than most of the soybean crop.

Soybeans on the demonstration plots checked recently were from knee to waist high. In nearly all cases, the pathologist stated, there was a noticeable difference in the height, spread, and color of beans in treated and untreated plots. The treated rows were higher and broader, and generally appeared to be a little darker green in color. Plants from treated seed showed up better because they started off more quickly and developed better root systems.

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