

CARRYING ALL BEFORE IT



Beans Thrive on Different Soils

Crop Will Do Best on Warm, Sandy Loams and Silts—Prepare by Plowing.

Beans will grow on almost any kind of soil, from adobe to light sandy loams. They do best, however, on warm, sandy loams and silty soils. Preparation of the soil for beans should commence prior to the season in which the beans are grown, and should take into consideration proper rotation and manuring. The soil should be prepared by plowing. Whenever fall plowing may be done without danger of serious fall blowing, the soil should be plowed in the fall. In the spring this land should be worked down into a seed bed, making as good a seed bed as would be made for beets or corn. Where spring plowing is done it should be done early.

Preparing Seed Bed. Beans respond to good preparation. Consequently enough attention should be paid to disking, harrowing and compacting the seed bed. In some sections listing has been attempted as the method of preparing the soil for bean planting. Listing, however, is poor practice, except upon soils which cannot be safely plowed because of their very strong tendency to blow. Where the land is prepared by listing there is a tendency to slow up the development of the crop and delay maturity. In addition to these handicaps, beans planted by the listing method are more difficult to harvest; especially if there is damp weather during the harvest there is likely to be much damage to the pods by coming in contact with the soil. The tendency to pick up adobe soil or stones is increased at harvesting time. If listing is done at all, it should be very shallow, so as to make the furrow to be filled about the growing plants as shallow as possible.

Plow in the Fall. It is not always necessary to plow land in preparing a bean seed bed. Where the land was well plowed the year previous and in wheat, a good seed bed may be prepared without plowing, provided the wheat stubble is disked right after the binder to keep down weeds in the fall. The spring preparation may consist of disking when the weeds start, which will destroy the weeds and prevent the formation of a crust, and then listing and harrowing immediately before planting. After a cultivated crop such as corn, which has been well cultivated, a seed bed may often be prepared by disking and harrowing. On irrigated lands after sugar beets or potatoes, it is not necessary to plow in preparing a bean seed bed. Disking, leveling and harrowing will be sufficient in these circumstances.—Alvin Kexer, Chief Agronomist, Colorado Agricultural College.

Good Breeding Stock Is Best Paying Investment

In support of increasing evidence that well-bred live stock pays a better return on investment than scrub stock, a Massachusetts dairyman notified the United States Department of Agriculture of his experience. He purchased a pure bred heifer bred to an excellent pure bred bull of the same breed. The heifer cost \$800. He sold the first bull calf for \$800, and the second one for \$400. The next calf, a heifer, sold for \$125, and the milk produced by the cow during the 38 months covered by the report sold for \$1,276. The total income thus received totaled \$2,100, and the farmer still owns the original ani-

Dry Place for Honey
Honey does not deteriorate in quality if it is properly cared for after removal from the hive. It should never be kept in a damp place. Put it where salt would remain dry all the time. This should be the rule, and no departure should ever be made from it. It is the nature of honey to take up water, and if allowed to remain in a damp place the cappings will soon begin to "weep" and it will not be long till its quality is injured.

Cost of Pure Bred Stock
Pure bred stock can be grown for almost the same cost as common stock. When coupled with skill in breeding and real salesmanship in marketing, choice animals bring large sums—especially after they have won a few blue ribbons. On the open markets for meat, milk or wool, the well bred animal makes a better showing for feed and care than the mongrel, and pays vastly bigger dividends in pride.

Destroy Weed Seeds
Thoroughly raking the garden and burning will do much to destroy weed seed and thus lighten the hard work of weeding in the hot summer months. Many weed seeds will lie in the soil twenty to thirty years and then grow, but most of them will germinate under intensive preparation and cultivation. So this cleaning and burning will do more than all else to help rid the garden of obnoxious weeds.

Farm Hints

Early-plowed land brings more wheat.
Rotate the crops in your garden as a preventive of diseases and insects.
Here is a farm program worth inspecting: Pura cows, hens, corn and alfalfa.
More legumes mean more prosperity for farmers, business men and communities.
Spray with nicotine sulphate or dust with nicotine dust all plants infested with plant lice.

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This Week

NOT READING—THINKING. JOY ON MARS. YOUNG AT 102. TWO YOUNG MEN.
The World Federation of Education Associations organizes a world war against illiteracy. For this war the Crown Prince of Japan has appropriated a million yen. China has adopted the slogan "China a Literate Nation in One Generation."
It is preposterous that any human beings, outside of actual barbarism, should grow up unable to read.
But teaching them to read and write is only the first step. The next is teaching human beings to THINK, which is considerably more difficult and important.
It isn't what you READ that counts. It's what you THINK AFTER YOU READ that improves government and civilization.
It takes a Frenchman, and an old one, Camille Flammarion, to say that the people on Mars are much more JOYFUL than we are.
The Martian year is twice as long as ours. A man there fifty years old has lived 100 years, nearly. The climate is better and the planet being smaller, everything is lighter. An ordinary Martian could easily carry his mother-in-law upstairs in his arms, even if she weighed 400 pounds. Millions of years older in their civilization than earth men, the Martians are far ahead of us in knowledge, and that means happiness. In fact it's the only solid happiness.
John A. Stewart, called "Grand Old Man of Wall Street," who knew Abraham Lincoln, and is now head of an important bank, celebrated his 102nd birthday last week. To us, that seems old. A thousand years hence, 125 will seem young as sixty is now. Men will die out gently like fading twilight.
Mr. Stewart continues living, intellectually young, because he

has continued WORKING. Men like trees die at the top. They are all right while the top is green.
After a while civilized human beings will decide that rats and mice don't pay, and take the trouble to get rid of them along with mosquitoes, flies and other nuisances that Father Noah might well have left out of the Ark.
An English scientist demonstrated that rats suffer from foot and mouth disease and, frequenting stables, infect the cattle.
Moral for farmers, use cement and copper and keep out the rats.
Clarence Darrow, a lawyer, who thinks and feels, and consequently earns little in proportion to his great ability, tells the Court that to hang the two young men whom he defends, Loeb and Leopold, "would be a worse crime than they committed."
And that is the truth, exactly. If a red Indian tortured a white man for twenty-four hours, that would not excuse white men for torturing that red man even for twenty-four minutes. The greater the intelligence and responsibility, the greater the crime.
This column, too lightly, compared Moses' forty-year trip across the desert with the four-hour trip of a small American automobile, and the one and one-half-hour trip of a flying machine, across the same desert.
Many writers send learned comment.
Hyman Bodner, of Passaic, New Jersey, says, "You needn't wait to get information from Moses in heaven. He kept the children of Israel in the desert for forty years because they were not qualified to conquer the Promised Land. They practically all died. The new generation, educated and drilled, led by Husma, won their Promised Land by fighting."
Max Himoff, of Long Island City, writer, said that Moses had to let his old followers die off while he raised a new generation "who knew nothing about Egypt and prepared them for their task."
Can anybody give more exact information about the fighting leader, Husma?

Divers working ninety feet below the surface have recovered thirty-five million dollars of gold and silver bullion from the steamship Laurentic, sunk by a German submarine.
Thousands of tons of "liquid gold" are in the water through which steamers plow as they go back and forth. Some day men may retrieve it.

Arrangement of Shrubs

More important than even the flowering qualities of shrubs is their arrangement. In other words, planning to plant is the most essential—the beauty of our yards depends entirely upon it, and is almost as important as the planning out of a house.
By making a plan of the lot it is possible to make it into "outdoor living-rooms," with interesting vistas and at the same time made convenient to the existing conditions.
No lot is too small to have nature express herself beautifully under man-made, limited surroundings.
In choosing shrubs for all-around purposes, probably the border planting of the lot would be most in common for every home. The rear yard generally has the greatest opportunity, and the more massive and taller-growing varieties of shrubs should be considered.

Study Industrial Problems

Co-operation between the domestic commerce division of the Department of Commerce and the National Association of Real Estate Boards to promote efficiency in the industrial growth of American cities is the object of a special committee which has just been appointed by the national association's industrial property division.
The committee will confer from time to time with officials of the division, organized a short time ago by Secretary of Commerce Herbert Hoover. The new department branch has special facilities for the study of industrial property and for assisting in the solving of industrial problems.
Members of the special committee are William Merriken, Baltimore; Edgar C. Neal, Buffalo, and W. Malcolm Gray, Brooklyn.

Blinding Headaches
"For about twenty years," says Mr. P. A. Walker, a well-known citizen of Newburg, Ky., "one of our family remedies has been Black-Draught, the old reliable. . . I use it for colds, biliousness, sour stomach and indigestion. I was subject to headaches when my liver would get out of order. I would have blinding headaches and couldn't stoop about my work, just couldn't go. I used Thedford's BLACK-DRAUGHT and it relieved me."
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YOU NEED NOT FAIL
I have told you so often about boys with "no chance" who conquered difficulties and hardships and thereafter rose to fame and fortune that it is only fair now to tell you about a woman who won success. She is Mrs. Josephine Doble Miller of New Orleans.
In 1908, when Mrs. Miller was twenty-one, her young husband died. Death had followed a long illness and in its wake came extreme poverty, large unpaid debts, the problem of what she, sickly and weak and inexperienced, was to do, and a future almost devoid of prospects. Mr. Miller had been a locksmith.
During the same year of her husband's death Mrs. Miller determined to become one of the most talked locksmiths in the world and to that end she went to work as a locksmith's apprentice.
Marine locks were her specialty. To get business she canvassed the docks and personally interviewed the masters of ships whose vessels docked at the port of New Orleans. Results of a paying nature were slow and poverty was keen, but she stuck to her chosen work and during the spring of the following year she entered a bid against a number of competitors to completely overhaul and rebuild the locks of a steamship which had put in for repairs. She was given the contract. From that day her family began to mount. It became the custom of ship owners