

Twelve Rules for Success in Seeding Clover.

1. First, let every man who sows clover this fall, if possible, sow it to be used as a cover crop for his land's sake, after gathering his seed next spring. Yes, you can sow it for feed, of course, but let me urge the needs of the land. Buy more seed if necessary to do this.

2. Expect great things, yea even wonderful things, for your land, but don't expect it all the first year, for if you do you are doomed to disappointment.

3. Depend largely on thorough inoculation for success. If you differ with me on this, please forget it, for I have the abundance of proof. Nobody wants proof these days that Texas fever in cattle is caused by cattle ticks. Take it from me, accept the theory of inoculation for growing clover and act on it.

4. Directions will be given on each bottle of pure culture for using it; follow them explicitly.

5. If you can get some soil where crimson or red clover (not bur clover) has grown successfully, when you get ready to sow, dampen your seed with a solution of equal parts of molasses and water, then mix with the seed about an equal amount of the inoculated soil. It will be all right to use both this and the pure culture from the government.

6. Sow on a cloudy day or late in the afternoon; or in sowing all day, sow immediately ahead of the harrows that are covering the seed. Because if the hot sun shines even a little while on the seed, the work of inoculating described above will be more or less thrown away.

7. No seed as small as crimson clover should ever be covered deeper than half an inch; one quarter of an inch is better.

8. The clover roots need compact soil to grow into as soon as seed germinates. They simply must have it or the tiny plants will die as soon as some hot sunny days come.

9. Therefore don't plow land that you expect to sow to clover, unless you wish to await one or two good rains to settle it before sowing.

10. Sow clover when there is a good season in the ground. If in cotton middles, have harrow or large scrape go ahead to prepare seed bed; then follow sowing with spring tooth harrow or scrape, and be sure not to let it go too deep.

11. If on open land where you have good coating of peavines or pea stubble, use disk or cutaway harrow, not to go too deep, sow seed and follow at once with smoothing harrow. A good roller or drag will assure you better results.

12. Keep a record of what you do and when you do it. Be as loyal to clover as you are to cotton and don't quit trying if you fail the first effort.

Yours for better lands through the clover way.—P. W. Moore, in Progressive Farmer.

Do Not Sell Breeding Animals.

Do not sell your breeding animals unless you can replace them immediately with better ones. Do not let the temptation of high prices now being offered for live stock or undue fear of the prices asked for many popular feeds mislead you into selling a cow or sow that will drop the golden calf or litters.

Such near-sighted profit taking or lack of courage, if widespread, would strike at the foundation of the country's livestock industry and cripple it for years to come. As there is a shortage of meat animals throughout the world, we can not hope to import new breeding stock to replace those we foolishly have killed off. Our own breeding animals, therefore, must be regarded as the seed essential to the domestic meat supply of the nation.

Feeds not available or needed for human consumption should be used as largely as possible in feeding livestock. By feeding straw or corn stover, especially for wintering mature stockers and breeding animals, farmers will make the best possible use of these roughage. In this way a large proportion of the straw and stover ordinarily burned or wasted can be manufactured into meat and milk. Grain sorghums, wherever they are available, should be fed to release corn for human uses. Grain where fed, should be used as economically as possible.

Every animal should be a factory for turning into food material inedible for human beings.—U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Abruzzi Rye.

Probably no new variety of Southern staple crop has ever earned so quickly a permanent popularity over other varieties as Abruzzi Italian rye. Since the introduction of this variety in the fall of 1913 Abruzzi rye has been planted in every Southern State with such marked success that its distribution has been limited only by the supply of seed. Last year every bushel of seed was sold long before the

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Abruzzi or Italian rye was discovered by agents of the United States Department of Agriculture, while on an exploration trip through Italy in search of valuable plants for use in this country, and was introduced for the first time in the United States about January, 1900. It came from Naples and brought with it this record: "Abruzzes, a superior rye grown in the Abruzzi Province, a mountainous district east of Rome. This strain is one of the best known in Italy, having made an average yield of 28.2 bushels per acre for a period of ten years."—Progressive Farmer.

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From ruthless "Hun" we fight to save,
Thy stary flag on sea unfurled
Shall thus proclaim to all the world
For liberty on sea and land,
We fight for thee, my motherland.
—W. H. C., in Columbia State.

Read Bible, Wilson Begs Army and Navy.

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"When you have read the Bible you will know that it is the Word of God, because you will have found it the key to your own heart, your own happiness and your own duty."

Surely a Deadhead.

As the baseball crowd was pushing and struggling to get out at the game's end, a small boy bored his way to the fence and began to climb over it.

"Hey there, kid," yelled a policeman; "none o' that. Go out the way you came in."

By this time the youngster had reached the top of the fence. "Aw, ain't I doin' it?" he said as he vanished on the other side.—Boston Transcript.

Raise More Cattle.

Although the past year or two has seen a slight increase in the number of cattle, we have within a decade been transformed from a beef-exporting to a beef-importing nation.

Ten years ago we were exporting \$150,000,000 worth of beef annually. Today we are importing beef. Within six years—1907 to 1913—our beef cattle decreased from 50,000,000 to 30,000,000, a condition that was reflected in the increased price of meat.

Livestock puts fertility into the soil as well as money in the bank, and those communities which rest upon a livestock basis, are on a sound foundation and for the most part prosperous.

The livestock grower is not a mere soil tiller bartering a raw material, but a manufacturer selling a finished product.—Southern Planter.

Character.

After all, there is nothing like character. The man who loses all else in this world can still have character if he wants to have it. The fellow who goes through handing out his hot air, who undertakes to walk the crooked path, finally is called and is honest, can meet all kinds of reverses, go dead broke, lose his best friends by death, but if he has character the community in which he lives will give him a helping hand; new friends will come to his assistance and he can be prosperous. Character is worth more than any other one thing. And how many young men realize this and build character as they go along?—Col. Al Fairbrother.

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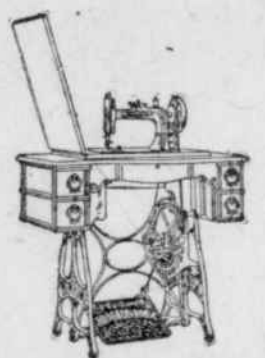
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