

Producing Quality Tomatoes At Home

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The home gardeners of Haywood county during normal seasons, produce good quality vegetables. However, in abnormal summers many gardeners find many of their vegetables of such low quality that the producer becomes discouraged.

Last season was a good example of this with tomatoes. There was so much rain before the ripening period, that the vines and fruit became so badly blighted that most of the tomatoes rotted and fell off the vines. Most of the gardeners

of the county experienced a complete failure with tomatoes last summer. Others had one of the best crops.

The tomatoes in my garden last year were the finest I believe I have ever grown. Many who saw them marveled and asked about the secret. Because I do especially like tomatoes and because they require a little extra care, I am writing this article as one of the series on gardening written by members of the Agricultural Worker's

Council of Haywood county. I remember what W. L. Fitzgerald of Clyde, said to me several years ago about growing tomatoes. He stated that it was impossible to produce No. 1 tomatoes and let them crawl around on the ground. I certainly believe this. For years now, my tomatoes have been pruned and staked.

I begin with good healthy plants of good varieties. I buy plants for my early tomatoes and raise most of the plants for the main crop and late tomatoes. For early setting (I set mine last Saturday), I try to get potted plants. They cost a little more but they are worth the difference. I save seed for the ones I start from seed. I treat the seed with Semesan before planting.

As a rule, one should examine plants before purchasing to see if there are diseased spots on the stems. Many plants already have the blight before they are transplanted. I like to dip the plant in a 4-4-50 Bordeaux mixture before setting. Then every ten days or two weeks throughout the summer spray the leaves and stems with this mixture. This will keep down blight and other diseases, even during a wet season like the one we experienced last summer.

Start pruning and staking the tomatoes before they get too large. I put up my stakes about four inches from the plant as soon as the first blooms appear. Use five or six foot stakes and drive them about a foot in the ground or set them in groups of four so as to

just below the first bloom, which will make one of the two good stems; all others are pruned off as they appear. The stems are topped as soon as they reach the top of the stakes. Tie the stems to the stake about every ten days or two weeks.

As the soil preparation and fertilization, I will say nothing more than to follow the garden plan or advice given in preceding articles. My favorite varieties are Marglobe and Rutgers for red varieties and Burpee's Golden Jubilee for the yellow. I do like orange colored tomatoes, especially when it comes to tomato juice. And this juice, like the tomatoes and soup mixture, has come in mighty handy, both at home and what was given and sold to the Bethel school lunch

Voter—Mr. Congressman, a lot of your constituents cannot understand your speech.

Congressman—Fine, it took me seven hours to write it that way.

A leap into the dark won't get you into the light.

I harvested at least 20 bushels off of the two 50-foot rows I had through my garden.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends for their kind expressions of sympathy and the flowers sent during our recent bereavement in the death of S/Sgt. Ralph W. Moody.

The Moody Family.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of George Scott, deceased, late of Haywood County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned, Clyde, North Carolina, on or before the 25th day of May, 1945 or notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This the 18th day of May, 1944.

LURA PRESSLEY SCOTT,
Administrator of the Estate of George Scott, deceased.

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NOTICE

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NORTH CAROLINA, HAYWOOD COUNTY.

John Pressley, Jr.,
 Vs.
 Etta Pressley.

The defendant above named has taken notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Haywood County, N. C., to obtain an order on Statutory grounds, and the defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear within thirty days after the 1st day of June, 1944, before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Haywood County, in Waynesville, N. C., to answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

This the 13th day of May, 1944.

KATE WILLIAMSON,
 Assistant Clerk of Superior Court of Haywood County.

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SUMMONS AND NOTICE

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, HAYWOOD COUNTY.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NORTH CAROLINA, HAYWOOD COUNTY.

Claude E. Smathers, Plaintiff,
 vs.
 Bessie Ruth Smathers, Defendant.

To the Defendant, Bessie Ruth Smathers:

You will take notice that an action has been commenced in the Superior Court of Haywood County, North Carolina, entitled as above and that the purpose of said action is to obtain an annulment of the unlawful marriage contract, which purported to be a lawful marriage, in the City of Dalton, State of Georgia, on the 1st day of December, 1942, which was entered into by the plaintiff and the defendant, upon the ground of the defendant's having a living husband at the time of the purported marriage.

You will further take notice that you are required to be and appear at the office of the Clerk of the Court of the Superior Court in Waynesville, North Carolina on or before the 22nd day of June, 1944, and answer or demur to the complaint which has been filed in the office of the Clerk of the said Court, within the time prescribed by the statute.

You will further take notice that if you fail to answer or demur to the complaint within the time required by law, the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint, to wit: Annulment of the Purported Marriage.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court this the 23rd day of May, 1944.

KATE WILLIAMSON,
 Asst. Clerk of the Superior Court of Haywood County, North Carolina.

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NOTICE OF SALE

Pursuant to the powers conferred upon the undersigned Commissioners in an Order of the Superior Court of Haywood County, North Carolina, in Special Proceedings entitled Howell et al., vs. James B. Stovall, et al., we will, on the 26th day of June, 1944, at eleven o'clock A. M. at the court house in the Town of Waynesville, North Carolina, offer for sale at public auction the highest bidder for cash the following described premises, situated in said Town, to-wit:

BEGINNING at the corner of the line of Main Street and the edge of the sidewalk, 100 feet in a Southern direction from the Southern corner of H. Jones Barber Store Building (now C. B. McLeod Farm Store Building) and measuring with the edge of said sidewalk a Southwesterly direction 27 feet to a stake; thence a Southwesterly direction with the line of the conveyed to M. L. and M. C. met by Mary McIntosh and her band, J. B. S. McIntosh, now owned by D. G. Stovall, and measured with the said C. B. McLeod Farm 140 feet to a stake; thence a Northerly direction and parallel to Main Street 27 feet to a stake; thence to the BEGINNING and being the same property described in a deed to A. H. as recorded in Book 115, page 100, Record of Deeds for Haywood County, N. C. And reference also made to the Books and pages where all of the said parties and defendants received their interest.

This the 23rd day of May, 1944.

GROVER C. DAVIS,
 A. T. WARD,
 W. T. CRAWFORD,
 Commissioners.

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