

**Crimson Clover Seed To  
Be Bought in State**

North Carolina farmers who plant crimson clover this fall and harvest it for seed next spring will be able to sell the seed to the Federal government, says E. Y. Floyd, AAA executive officer of N. C. State College. The Commodity Credit Corporation will buy crimson clover seed and turn it over to the Triple-A for distribution as a grant-of-aid.

The seed will be purchased, Floyd said, "only from farmers cooperating in the Agricultural Conservation Program who comply with acreage allotment provisions of the AAA. The crimson clover purchase program is aimed at enlarging the 1941 domestic production of seed and increasing the acreage of winter cover crops in Southern and East Central States."

The Commodity Credit Corporation will pay a basic rate of 10 cents per pound for recleaned seed which meets the following requirements: 96 percent purity, free of noxious weeds, and showing at least 85 percent germination. The price of 10 cents per pound is slightly above that afforded by the market in 1940.

"The Federal seed purchase program is not intended to keep any private dealer from buying crimson clover seed," Floyd emphasized. Farmers cooperating with the AAA program are free to sell their seed either to the Commodity Credit Corporation at the rate of 10 cents per pound or to regular seed dealers at the price they are able to pay.

This is the first such program for crimson clover, which is used extensively as a winter cover crop by farmers of Tennessee, North Carolina, and other states in the East Central Region. It is from these States that the Federal government will buy seed for grant-of-aid distribution.

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