

A Million Dollar Tree

Trees that yield oil have always attracted industrial nations and more than the one yielding tung-oil. The Chinese have used it for years in making varnish, but since the turn of the century many planters in other countries have seen in tung trees a possible Eldorado. Disaster has dogged



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Some of these trials, for two reasons. The Chinese tree needs a winter chilling, but flowers so early that its leaves are often killed by late frosts, which means a total loss of the nuts for that year. Millions of tung-oil trees, especially in the southeastern United

States have been uprooted because the planters did not know this.

A long growing season and intense summer heat are also essential. Present day plantations of tung-trees, comprising thousands of acres, are located in the climatically favorable parts of Florida, Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi.

But unfortunately the very regions suited to tung are the most malarial sections of America, and successful planters have to guard their workers against this scourge or suffer a labor shortage during their busiest season.

Most of the more intelligent owners use quinine to prevent malaria, giving their field hands six grains a day. To those who are careless enough to ignore or forget this preventive measure a spell of malaria is pretty apt to be the sequel. For these unfortunates a dose of 20 grains of quinine a day for 5-7 days is the remedy. This dosage is the one recommended by the United States Public Health Service, and its cost is so low and tung-oil so valuable that few are likely to ignore it.

Personals

(Cont'd from Society page)

Mrs. Paul Mauney has as her house guests her sister, Mrs. E. B. Harris and two children, E. B. Harris and Patricia Aline, of Savannah, Ga. Other recent guests at the Mauney home were Mrs. K. D. Cler, of Savannah, Ga.; Mrs. Paul S. Oliver of Marietta, N. C., and Miss Frances Townsend of Hoosick Falls, N. Y.

Mrs. F. C. Nye of Grassy Creek, N. C., was a guest of Mrs. D. F. Ford last Friday night. Mrs. Nye was en-route to her home after a visit to her son, Dr. Bruce Nye and Mrs. Nye, in Philadelphia, and has also attended the recent marriage of her son, Glenn Nye.

Mrs. D. C. Mauney is a guest for the week of Mrs. Ralph Falls of Gastonia, and Mrs. W. S. Dilling at Bon Clarks and will also visit Mrs. E. C. Cooper at her summer cottage at Hendersonville. Mrs. Mauney was accompanied to Hendersonville Monday by Mrs. George Houser, Mrs. W. A. Ridenhour, Mrs. E. E. Neisler, and guest, Mrs. Carrie Wilkins of Mocksville who returned to Kings Mountain after spending the day with Mrs. Cooper.

Miss Eoline Keeter is a patient in the Mercy Hospital in Charlotte recuperating from a tooth extraction.

Miss Ammer Aderholdt of Commerce, Ga., Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Nimmons and daughter, Dorothy of Decore, Ga., and Mrs. Venie South and family of Asheville were dinner guests of Mr. W. A. Nimmons Sunday. Mr. Nimmons accompanied his son and family home for a visit.

FARM QUESTIONS

Q.—What emergency grazing crops can be planted to supplant pastures damaged by the drought?

A.—Sudan grass is worthy of first rank as temporary grazing and hay crop, says John A. Arey, Extension dairyman of N. C. State College. Good grazing can be secured from Sudan grass within 40 to 50 days after seeding. When cut just as the heads begin to form, Sudan grass makes a very good hay. About 35 to 40 pounds of seed should be sown per acre in a well-prepared seed bed. The crop should be fertilized with 300 pounds per acre of a high grade complete fertilizer at time of seeding, and top dressed with 100 to 150 pounds of nitrate of soda when the grass is about three inches high.

Q.—How is the pre-square poison mixture prepared for mopping cotton?

A.—The liquid poison generally used is the 1:1 calcium arsenate-water-molasses mixture. It is prepared by adding one pound of calcium arsenate to a gallon of water and stirring. Then add a gallon of sheep molasses and stir until the ingredients are thoroughly and uniformly mixed.

Q.—When is the best time to cut hay crops?

A.—The proper time to cut any hay crop is when the greatest quantity of digestible nutrients can be obtained from it, says E. C. Blair Extension agronomist of State College. With most hay crops the percentages of leafiness and protein content are highest soon after the plant begins to bloom. Complete information on hay making is contained in Extension Circular No. 237, "Making Hay in North Carolina." The publication is free upon request to the Agricultural Editor, N. C. State College, Raleigh.

RALLY DAY SUNDAY

There will be a Special Rally Day Service at the Wesleyan Methodist Church at the Sunday school hour. Rev. T. J. Peterson of Gaffney, S. C., will speak. Special music will be rendered. The public is cordially invited to come.

Where he applied basic slag in the spring of 1940, John Phillips of Colowhee, Jackson County, says his red clover is at least 50 percent better than on untreated land.

Much of the 1941 wool clip has been marketed and is now moving from producing centers, with prices received by farmers this spring about 30 percent higher than a year ago.

SNAPSHOT

(Cont'd from front page)

defense program, part of which was discussed in this column last week. The report is fairly packed with valuable findings, however, and a few more words concerning it are in order here.

The document in question deals primarily with the subject of "stock piles" of strategic raw materials, and the reasons why these were in some cases not accumulated in time. The Committee carefully identifies the source of such failures, and its listing is important because some of the points have a more general application than merely to the "stock piles" issue.

Here, then, as the Committee sees it, are the reasons, for difficulties in this particular field:

1. Failure on the part of Congress and the administration and the public to initiate a stock pile program at an earlier date.
2. Failure to entrust to a responsible body the full authority to carry out the will of Congress in the legislation enacted.
3. Failure of a sense of urgency on the part of officials of purchasing organizations.
4. The delay in establishing conservation methods and the use of substitutes for fear of causing unemployment.
5. Unwarranted delays in building plants and facilities for the conversion of raw materials into finished products.

It is easy to see that the Committee has government itself in mind for the chief responsibility in these instances, for the only government could set in motion the forces to clear up these various inadequacies of the defense program.

That the same Committee has a high regard for industry's defense endeavors is shown by another report which it issued in connection with pending legislation. In that report, the following passage occurs:

"From the evidence, it is apparent to your committee that private industry has, without exception, cooperated to the fullest degree with both the War and Navy Departments and all other agencies of the Government engaged in the program of rearmament now under way by this Government; but unfortunately, certain minor groups or elements of employees in many of the factories and industrial plants of the country have sought for one reason or another to stop production and in many instances have largely succeeded in so doing.

PRESBYTERIAN S. S. PICNIC

The Sunday School of the First Presbyterian Church plan to have their Picnic Friday afternoon at 4:00 P. M. The Supt. of the Sunday School, Mr. C. F. Thomason, requests that all going to the Picnic gather at the Church at 4:00 P. M. to leave together for Lake Crawford.

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TRAGEDY UNDER THE NORTHERN LIGHTS

An intensely interesting article revealing a strange tragedy of the Frozen North in which Eskimos marched to their death thinking the end of the world was near. One of many features in the July 27th issue of

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