

Six Year Peanut Demonstration Obtains Results

Production Increased on Farm of George W. Bunch

Results appear to have been obtained in a peanut demonstration involving a good three year rotation plus ample lime and potash in the soil. George W. Bunch, of Cross Roads community, has just completed his third year of a six year demonstration. He appears to be very well pleased with his results thus far. In 1951 Mr. Bunch's farm was divided into three approximately equal sections. Six areas in each of the three sections were selected for the demonstration. Soil samples were taken and the analysis showed that two of these fields needed lime and all of them were low in potash and very high in phosphate. The two fields needing lime were limed according to the soil test recommendations. A three year rotation was planned as follows: Cotton, followed by corn, followed by peanuts. The entire peanut acreage for the farm was placed in a solid block each year, approximately one-half of which was in the demonstration area and the other one-half adjoining as a check. Cotton and corn were side-dressed with at least 150 pounds of muriate of potash per acre in addition to that contained in the regular fertilizer each year. The purpose of this was to try to raise the potash level of the soil to medium or high as an indirect fertilization of peanuts. In 1950, the year before the demonstration was started, the average peanut yield was 1,420 pounds per acre. The corn yield was 50 bushels per acre. There was no cotton in 1950 but in 1949 the cotton yield was approximately 350 pounds of lint per acre.

At the end of the third year, which was 1953, the peanut yield was 2,084 pounds per acre and there had been a gradual increase each year. In 1951, 100 pounds of muriate of potash was top-dressed on peanuts for that one year. The corn yield has raised to 80 bushels per acre and the cotton yield has increased to 350 pounds per acre. So, at the completion of the three years all crops have been increased and more economical production has resulted.

A similar demonstration was started with Percy Harrell and Jesse Harrell, of the Ryland community, and T. J. Jackson of Yeopim community. At the end of two years these demonstrations are showing somewhat similar results to that of Mr. Bunch.

COTTON QUIZ



Farm Land Killed By War, Yanks Put Life Back Into It

Four Square Mile Area Now Attractive Farming Plots

Giessen, Germany—More than 80 acres of wasteland near here have been reclaimed by Army heavy equipment teams and now are being readied for use as desperately needed farmland by local gardeners.

The four-square-mile area speckled with World War II shell craters and anti-aircraft gun positions had been lying idle in this area where farming plots are at a premium.

The land reclamation, completed by the Army's 354th Engineer Construction Battalion, is one of a series of local assistance programs providing Army troops with valuable training experience and giving aid to underprivileged Germans in the area.

To complete the project, the 354th transported heavy bulldozers into the area and members of the battalion worked in off-duty time over a week-end.

Holes often 25 feet wide and 20 feet deep were filled. Earth and rock thrown over the surface by bomb blasts and overgrown by scrub brush was leveled. Rich topsoil in the area was distributed to make the land suitable for gardening.

The project was undertaken after a survey by German officials disclosed that manual reclamation of the land would take several months.

Lieutenant Vito D. Stippo of (102 Jerome Street) Brooklyn, N. Y., supervised the project. Private First Class Richard R. Johnson of (204 Main Street) Dickson, Mich., and Corporal Bernard Fuller of Redwood, Mo., operated the bulldozers during off-duty hours.

Similar assistance to the German populace in the Giessen area included building a civic athletic field by the Fifth Engineer Combat Battalion. Fifty-four refugee families in the area also benefited from the combined good will training activities of the Army when the 354th strip-mined 350 cubic yards of sand needed to build homes. The refugees, banded together in a housing co-operative, had to halt construction until they could obtain the sand for use in mixing concrete.

Counting Soldiers Tough Job In The Old Army

Washington—Find out whether the commanding officer is dead or has resigned, the orders said.

The researcher did a "double take." Then he looked at the date. It was July 6, 1779.

The orders—unearthed from among century-old records—show problems the Army had during the Revolutionary War in keeping track of its personnel.

Issued by the Office of the Acting Commandant, Federal Defense of Yorktown and New York Harbor in Yonkers, N. Y., the orders are addressed to the commanding officer, First

Light Infantry, Braddock Barracks, Miller's Junction, R. I.

They read:

"1. Issue necessary orders sending one enlisted man, on horseback, via safest and most convenient route, at Government expense to Fort Von Steuben, on the Ohio River below the junction of the two great rivers at Old Fort Pitt, for the purpose of carrying secret dispatches to Major Alonzo De Lafayette, who at last official roll call, is the commandant of Fort Von Steuben. If, upon arrival, Major Lafayette is dead or has resigned, the soldier will deliver the dispatches to the immediate commanding officer.

"The expense section of the Finance Department will supply this courier with the necessary cash to

buy himself sufficient food supplies to subsist him the entire journey. If the Finance Department at the destination is not functioning, the enlisted man is authorized to barter with the neighboring Indians for necessary salt and other miscellaneous necessities for the return trip. Uniform buttons and musketry badges may be utilized in connection with bartering. The expedition directed is considered necessary in the military service. Government mounts and subsistence will be furnished, and if used in bartering, uniform buttons and marksman medals will be replaced by the Government upon application for same by the enlisted man concerned.

"Upon return to his home station soldier will submit a written report

showing the full names and ranks of commanding officers of all military forts visited, so that the Department of War can be informed and bring their rosters up to date."

Father Of Dr. Stanton Dies In Sylacauga, Ala.

Friends in Edenton were shocked Monday when word reached Edenton that W. W. Stanton, 75, father of Dr. A. M. Stanton, died suddenly at Sylacauga, Alabama. Mr. Stanton was in his usual health and died shortly after arriving at his office.

Besides his wife and Dr. Stanton, he is survived by five other children. Funeral services were held in Sylacauga Wednesday.



NORTH CAROLINA'S New Safety Responsibility Law is STRICT

After January 1, 1954 you better have plenty of ready cash or a rich uncle willing to put up bond for you if you are going to take a chance on driving a car without the liability insurance you need. You don't have to have insurance, but you do have to show that you are able to pay any damages up to \$11,000.00 when you are involved in an auto accident

For quite a few years North Carolina has had a law that didn't give too much protection to the public against irresponsible drivers. Now that law has been changed. After January 1, 1954 the law says that you have to be able to pay for damages or injury you do with your car. If you can't pay and have no auto liability insurance that will pay for you, you have to give up your driver's license — and quit driving.

The law protects you against irresponsible drivers. But it also makes it important that you be able to prove your ability to pay if you are held responsible in an accident. The cheapest and best way to protect your driving privileges is thru insurance. That is why YOUR insurance agent joins with others to urge all drivers to find out what the law requires and be prepared to meet its demands. Don't take a chance on losing your right to drive.

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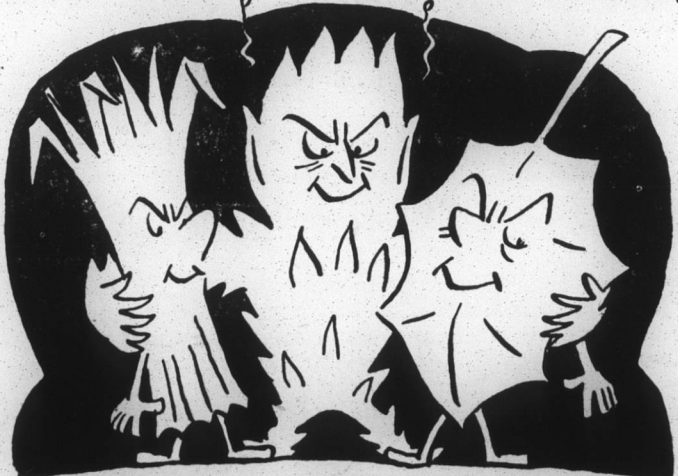
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