

Homemade Compost Improves The Structure Of Garden Soil

"Look at that beautiful, rich soil," is a typical comment from visitors admiring the garden landscape exhibits at spring flower shows. "No wonder those plants grow better than ours," is likely to be the next remark.

And these people are right. Garden and landscape plants do, of course, thrive better in good soil with plenty of organic matter to help hold air, moisture and plant food, and give it a loose structure that permits roots to develop naturally.

With a little effort, you too, can have such soil around your landscape plants and in your flower beds or vegetable plots, suggests County Agent C. W. Overman. Many homeowners struggling with clay or very sandy soil are constantly throwing away materials that could be used to improve it. Grass clippings, leaves, weeds, even vegetable parings and fruit peels from the kitchen, will decompose into suitable material for addition to the soil.

In city and suburban gardens, where large quantities of manure are difficult to obtain, a compost pile can supply much of the organic material needed for growing shrubs, flowers, and vegetables.

To make compost, build up alternate layers of soil and organic waste materials. Over a five- or six-inch layer of clippings, par-

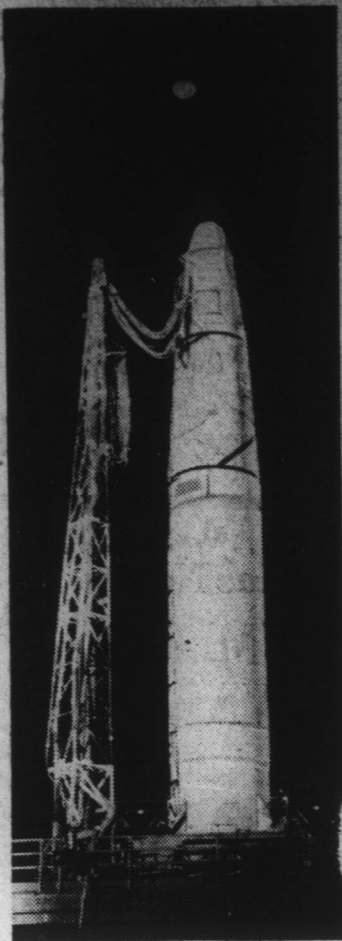
ings, leaves or other wastes, spread a thin layer of manure to supply nitrogen, or throw a few handfuls of high-nitrogen fertilizer. (Nitrogen hastens decomposition). Then add one or two inches of soil. Continue to build up to two or three feet, beginning and ending with soil.

The sides of the pile should be kept vertical (temporary wire fencing that can be moved away later, makes this easier), and the top should be level or slightly lower in the center to catch and hold moisture. In dry seasons, sprinkle the pile to keep it moist.

The compost you build this year will be ready for use next year, or possibly sooner, depending upon the raw material you use, says Mr. Overman. For a constant supply, compost gardeners find it convenient to keep two piles—one to build upon while the previous one is being used.

Turning and mixing a "ripening" pile will help the decomposition process and produce a compost mixture of more satisfactory fineness. To do this, slice down through the layers with a spade, turning and mixing as you form a new pile. In doing this, you can observe how near your compost is to being ready for use.

In using compost, mix with additional soil, or with sand and soil. For most plants, additional fertilizer will be needed.



TARGET?—A scene from science fiction comes to life during a night countdown at the Air Force Missile Test Center, Cape Canaveral, Fla. The moon sails tantalizingly above the nose of an Air Force Thor IRBM.

The Center each month due to limited facilities, so it is suggested that anyone who wishes to be assured of an appointment should write the Cancer Clinic, Health Department, Elizabeth City, N. C., for a priority. Examinees are asked to bring a robe or housecoat with them.

The June Clinic is the last to be held until September 5, 1958. The quota for the June clinic has already been filled.

Goodness Sake!

A disgusted parent wrote a note of complaint to the teacher and wound it up with this: "If all Herbert learns in school is to swear, I'll keep him home and teach him myself."

Happiness quite unshared can scarcely be called happiness. It has no taste. —Mrs. Gaskell.

M/SGT. LESTER ASHLEY IN GERMAN CEREMONY
Army M/SGT. Lester H. Ashley, 36, son of Mrs. Betsy Bunch Ashley of Edenton, participated in Armed Forces Day ceremonies on May 17 with the 299th Engineer Battalion in Fulda, Germany.

Ashley, a platoon sergeant in the battalion's Company B at Hochst, arrived in Europe on this tour of duty in May, 1956. He entered the Army in 1942.

The sergeant, whose wife, Anneliese, is with him in Germany, attended Edenton High School.

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF THE EDENTON PEANUT COMPANY
Take Notice, that on the 8th day of May, 1958, THE EDENTON PEANUT COMPANY, Edenton, North Carolina, filed Articles of Dissolution in the Office of the Secretary of State of North Carolina and is now in the process of liquidation.

This 8th day of May, 1958.
BENJAMIN M. BIRDSONG
President
May 15, 22, 29, June 5

North Carolina.
Chowan County.

The undersigned, having qualified as co-administrator of the estate of Martin Wisely, requests all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before May 17, 1959, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to said Martin Wisely, deceased, or to the partnership of Doctors Wisely and Vaughan will please make immediate payment to the undersigned or to the surviving partner of said partnership.

This 26th day of May, 1958.
MOLLY M. WISELY,
Co-Administrator
Edenton, N. C.
May 29, June 5, 12, 19, 26, July 3

EXECUTRIX NOTICE

Having qualified as Executrix of the estate of Charles P. Wales, deceased, late of Chowan County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Edenton, North Carolina, on or before the 15th day of May, 1959, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This May 15th, 1958.
DUNCAN W. WALES,
Executrix of Charles P. Wales Estate.
May 15, 22, 29, June 5, 12, 19

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE

Having qualified as Administratrix of the estate of T. D. Boyce, deceased, late of Chowan County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Tyner, North Carolina, on or before the 24th day of April, 1959, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This April 24th, 1958.
CASSIE B. BOYCE,
Tyner, N. C.
Administratrix of T. D. Boyce Estate.
Apr 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE

Having qualified as Administratrix of the estate of Margaret D. Hollowell, deceased, late of Chowan County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Edenton, North Carolina, on or before the 24th day of April, 1959, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This April 24th, 1958.
MINNIE HOLLOWELL,
Administratrix of Margaret D. Hollowell Estate.
Apr 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Having qualified as administratrix of the estate of John A. Roberts, deceased, late of Chowan County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Edenton, N. C., on or before the 8th day of May, 1959, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 8th day of May, 1958.
ELIZABETH ROBERTS,
Administratrix of John A. Roberts Estate.
May 8, 15, 22, 29, June 5, 12, 19

EXECUTRIX NOTICE

Having qualified as Executrix of the estate of Margaret Evans White, deceased, late of Chowan County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Edenton, North Carolina, on or before the 22nd day of May, 1959, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This May 22, 1958.
MARGARET R. GRIFFIN,
CLARISSA WINSLOW WISEMAN,
HELKNE W. EVANS,
Executrix of Margaret Evans White Estate.
W. A. Hollowell, Atty.
Edenton, N. C.
May 22, 29, June 5, 12, 19, 26

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Edenton, North Carolina
Sealed proposals will be received by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Edenton, N. C., until 2:00 P. M., June 10, 1958, for the furnishing of the following materials and/or items of services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1959:

Part I—For Town of Edenton vehicles:

Gasoline, motor oil, greasing vehicles, washing vehicles, road service, tires, tubes, batteries, and miscellaneous vehicle items such as bulbs, cables, etc.

Part II—For heating the Municipal Building, Electric and Water Plant, Police Department, and for general use by other departments of the Town of Edenton:

No. 2 Fuel Oil
Kerosene
Proposals must be sealed and marked "Bids for vehicle products and/or fuel oil for the Town of Edenton, N. C."

The bids for this proposed work will be received at the Town Hall, Edenton, N. C., at which place, and at the time stated above, they will be publicly opened and read.

The Town of Edenton reserves the right to increase or diminish the quantities given in the pro-

posal, and to award contracts which appear to be for the best interest of the Town. The Town also reserves the right to hold any and all proposals for a period not to exceed thirty days (30) from the date of opening thereof. The Town of Edenton, N. C., also reserves the right to reject any or all bids and waive informalities.

TOWN OF EDENTON, N. C.
Ernest P. Kehayes, Mayor
Ernest J. Ward, Jr., Clerk
May 29, June 5

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals will be received by the Mayor and Town Board of the Town of Edenton, North Carolina, until 2:00 P. M., E.S.T., Tuesday, June 3, 1958, for the furnishing of materials and the construction of certain Water Improvements.

The construction work will consist of the following:
SECTION IV—Furnishing and installation of two 60HP, 220V Squirrel Cage Motors, and two 600 gpm, 220 TDH Pumps and Appurtenances.

SECTION V—Furnishing and installation—Conduit, Wiring, Wiring Troughs, and disconnect switches in accordance with requirements of Section IV.

Proposals must be sealed and marked "Water Improvements for the Town of Edenton, N. C." All proposals must be submitted upon the blank forms provided in the copies of proposal, contract and specifications.

Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check for five per cent (5%) of the amount of bid made payable to the Town of Edenton, N. C., and said check shall be drawn on a Bank or Trust Company insured under the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. In lieu of the 5% certified check, the bidder may offer a bidder's bond in the amount of 5% of the bid.

Plans, copies of the Proposal, Contract and Specifications, etc., may be obtained upon application to the engineer, accompanied by a deposit of Ten (\$10.00) Dollars. Where a bona fide bid is submitted by the contractor, and plans and specifications returned in good condition, 100% of this deposit will be refunded. Where no bid is submitted, none of the deposit will be refunded. Plans and specifications will be furnished material suppliers with a deposit of \$10.00. Upon return of these plans and specifications in good condition, a refund of \$5.00 will be made. A set of plans and specifications are on file at the Office of the Associated General

Contractors, Dodge Plan Room, the Mayor's Office, The Electric and Water Dept. Office, and the Office of the Engineer.

The bids for this proposed work will be received at the Office of the Mayor, Edenton, N. C., at which place, and at the time stated above, they will be publicly opened and read.

Consideration will be given only to bids of contractors who submit evidence showing that they are licensed under "An Act to Regulate the Practice of General Contracting," ratified by the General Assembly of North Carolina on March 10, 1925, and so subsequently amended.

A performance bond is required in an amount equal to 100 per cent of the contract price, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the contract and upon the payment in full to all

persons supplying labor and furnishing materials for and in connection with the construction of the project.

The Town of Edenton, N. C., reserves the right to increase or diminish the quantities given in the proposal and to award contracts which appear to be for the best interest of the Town. The Town also reserves the right to hold any and all proposals for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days from the date of opening thereof. The Town of Edenton, N. C., also reserves the right to reject any or all bids and waive informalities.

TOWN OF EDENTON, NORTH CAROLINA.
Ernest Kehayes, Mayor
Ernest J. Ward, Clerk
R. N. Hines, Supt.
Wm. F. Freeman, Inc.
May 22, 29

Vacancies Open For Inspectors

Vacancies for construction, mechanical and electrical inspectors at annual salaries ranging from \$3,870 to \$4,525 are now open for examinations in the Wilmington District of the Army Corps of Engineers.

An announcement by the District Board of Civil Service Examiners advises that the positions are located in various sections of North Carolina, and involve the supervision and inspection of contract construction of numerous projects in the state. The report says further that positions in other federal agencies, in addition to the Corps of Engineers, may be filled as a result of the examinations.

Applicants will not be required to report for a written test but will be rated on the extent and quality of their experience and training relative to duties of the position. Such ratings will be based on the applicants' statements and on any additional evidence secured by the commission. Information and application forms may be obtained from the local Post Office, or from the Civil Service Examiners, U. S. Army Engineer District, Corps of Engineers, Wilmington, N. C.

Cancer Clinic Friday, June 6

The Northeastern Cancer Clinic will be held on Friday afternoon, June 6, with registration beginning at 1 o'clock. A free chest X-ray will be given to anyone wishing it along with the examination of the five areas of the body where cancer is most easily found and cured. There are no limitations as to sex, race, physical or economic status at the center. However, women should be 35 or more; men should be 40 or over unless referred by a doctor, or unless one of the "Seven Danger Signals" or "symptoms" are present.

Only 30 people can be seen at

Chappell's Cow Sets High Milk Record

A registered Guernsey cow, Sylvias H; Sue of S B owned by Clarence Chappell, Jr., of Belvidere, has completed an official production record, according to the American Guernsey Cattle Club at Peterborough, N. H.

This record was for 13,466 pounds of milk and 579 pounds of fat. "Sue" was a junior four-year-old, and was milked two times daily for 305 days while on test.

This official production record was supervised by North Carolina State College.

RIDING WITH THE COLONIALS

Last Friday night, Manager Ed Grebenstein and Coach Paul George had a good look at their team in action when the Colonials traveled to Camden for an exhibition game with that squad. Almost everyone had a chance to play as the Colonials bested Camden in seven innings 18-7.

Several outstanding plays were made by Edenton. A lead-off home run by veteran outfielder, Dick Selliff, got the action under way. Centerfielder John Basich made a spectacular catch to rob Camden of a certain extra-base hit. The pitching looked good and should be as good as any in the league.

Don't forget to listen at 5:45 Eastern Standard Time each day over WCDJ when Double Cola invites you to meet the Colonials. Don't forget the "beauty" contest to select Miss Colonial of 1958. For further details contact Frank Roberts, WCDJ, phone 2090.

One means all he says, and very few say all they mean. Words are slippery and hard to vicious.

Henry Brock Adams.

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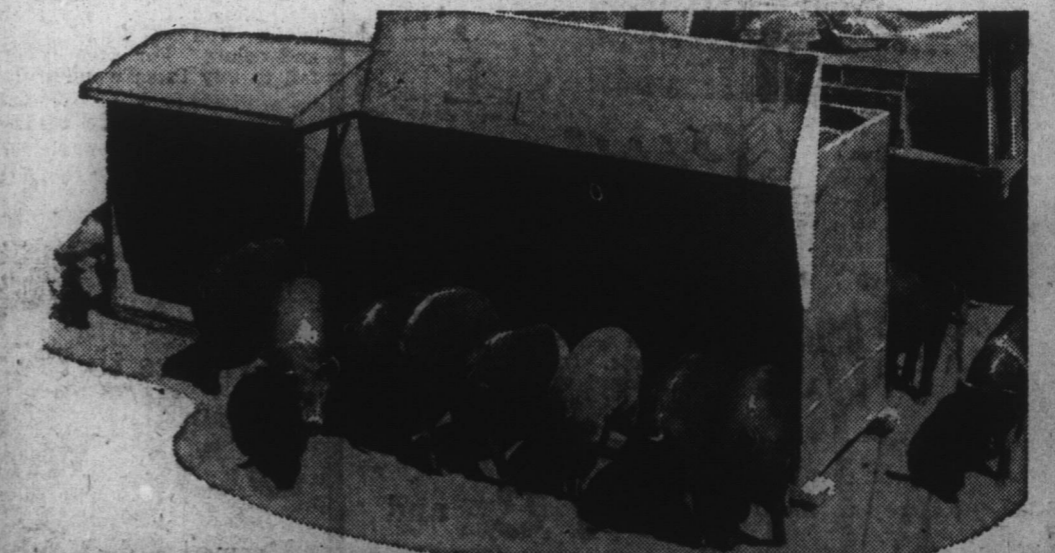
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