

### Watch Those Seed Varieties

RALEIGH—Have you just received the hottest tip on a new variety of soybeans, or wheat, or corn? Do you have information that you can increase your yield, or value per acre by 15 per cent just by planting a super-duper new variety, or blend, that has just become available? Are you led to believe that you assume no risk of production because such seeds are "certified"? Such claims as these "ain't necessarily so."

Seed varieties are only required by law to be truthfully labeled, for variety name if the other seed qualities. In fact, they are not required to be labeled by variety name if the seller wishes to say, instead, "variety not stated."

Very few varieties just become available suddenly. New varieties of seeds usually are entered into official variety tests, or demonstrated through private company plantings or cooperative Extension plantings in the area in which distribution is planned, even before they are distributed for sale. This is not a requirement of law, but it makes good sense for both the sincere seedsman and the farmer.

Watch carefully for varieties that are so great in other states but not tested in North Carolina. There are presently soybean seeds for sale in North Carolina that are classified as number four on a maturity scale. This maturity grouping is most often used from Delaware across to Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. It seems to be an excellent variety for those locations. (Incidentally, the seeds are certified by an agency from another state.)

There are few people in North Carolina who have used the variety, and seem to find it satisfactory. However, the variety is expected to mature in late summer and defoliate. This will allow weed growth, and deterioration of the seeds in the field unless they are harvested as quickly as they mature. The whole point is this, "If you do not know the variety and its characteristics, don't risk your farm income on it," says George Spain, director of seed testing for the N. C. Department of Agriculture.

With the development of new varieties under the plant Variety Protection Act, which works like a patent, newer varieties will be appearing more frequently than ever before. New corn hybrids are quite numerous. What is a

farmer to do in choosing his varieties?

Spain suggests these precautions in choosing varieties:

(1) Always look at the label, and determine if a variety or hybrid name is declared.

(2) Buy varieties and hybrids that you have used, or seen growing successfully in your geographic area.

(3) Seeds certified by the N. C. Crop Improvement Association are grown in North Carolina, and are most likely adapted to certain areas within the state. Seeds "certified" by certifying agencies in other states may include seeds not satisfactorily adapted to our climatic conditions. "Certified" seeds means "known genetic origin." Seed certification does not assure adaptation to all areas of the country.

(4) If you are tempted to buy seeds you are not sure of, or if you do not understand the label identification, do not buy until you have assured yourself by calling your county agricultural agent, your local seedsman, or the N. C. Department of Agriculture. It costs little to ask questions, and may save a lot of disappointment.

(5) Avoid "blends." There are no "blends" of seeds recorded for lawful sale in North Carolina.

"If you are adventuresome, and like to try new varieties, go ahead, but be prudent in the amount of investment of dependence you put into an unknown variety just to try it out," Spain concluded.

### Drunk Driving Cases Heard

Five drunk driving cases were tried Tuesday morning in Chowan County District Court. Judge Fentress Horner of Elizabeth City presided and Keith Teague, also of Elizabeth City, prosecuted the docket.

Cases tried included: Julius Edward Jernigan, drunk driving, public drunkenness and second offense of drunk driving, six months, suspended upon payment of \$300 fine and costs. Notice of appeal entered.

Jack Curtis Stanley, assault on a female, 30 days, suspended upon payment of costs.

Oscar Holley, non-support, pay costs and \$60 per month for support of children.

Oscar Frederick Blair, drunk driving and disobey a stop sign, six months, suspended upon payment of \$200 fine and costs. Notice of appeal entered.

Sidney Ray Hollis, drunk driving, second offense, six months, suspended upon payment of \$300 fine and costs. Notice of appeal entered. He was ordered to pay the costs in a worthless check case.

Freddie Ray Jordan, drunk driving, second offense, six months in prison to run concurrently with a sentence from Superior Court.

Raymond Harrell Layton, improper muffler, dismissed.

Willie Griffin, malicious damage to personal property, 30 days, suspended upon payment of costs and \$20 for damages.

Dennis Cunningham, using profane language, 30 days.

Archie Allen Felton, assault on a female, \$10 fine for being tardy and prosecuting witness ordered to pay costs.

Sam Stanley, agreement violation, 30 days, suspended upon payment of costs and \$60 restitution.



Cornish fairies are said to hate the smell of fish. Every one does, after a while!



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¼ LEGS or  
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**T-Bone**  
**STEAKS**  
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lb. 59¢

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Brand  
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lb. 89¢

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Brand  
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Brand  
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Brand  
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3 oz.  
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**TEA**  
jar  
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69¢

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**Biltmore**  
**SANDWICH**  
**LOAF**  
can  
49¢

303  
**Wigwam**  
**Green &**  
**White**  
**LIMAS**  
3 cans  
87¢

qt.  
**WAGNER**  
**ORANGE or**  
**GRAPE**  
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\$1.00

3 oz.  
**Yardley**  
**Old English**  
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1 doz.  
**Medium**  
**EGGS**  
carton  
49¢

32 oz.  
**Kraft**  
**Vegetable**  
**OIL**  
bottle  
\$1.19

32 oz.  
**DOUBLE**  
**COLA**  
6 pack  
\$1.29

12 oz.  
**Sunshine**  
**Dixie**  
**VANILLA**  
**COOKIES**  
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47¢

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