

Farm Clean-up Hints Given By Specialist

The farmer who gives his place a real spring "cleaning" now will not only improve the looks of his farm but will also make it healthier and easier to keep "trim" the rest of the year, says C. B. Ratchford, Extension farm management

specialist at State College. He offered the following clean-up hints for farm families: Gather and dispose of all tin cans. Either bury them or punch holes in them, to avoid providing breeding places for mosquitoes. Pick up all loose wire. Don't overlook the old baling wire which has accumulated. It is easy to find now before grass and weeds have grown. Later it will tangle in machinery, trip persons and animals, and cause a great deal of other trouble.

Be sure all broken glass is disposed of, thus preventing cuts on children's feet next summer. Check fences and repair those broken or falling down. A good fence adds to the appearance of the farm; a poor one detracts. Right along with the fences, fix those gates so they swing free and easy. Clean up the feed room, granary, corn cribs, and wood house. Don't provide hiding places for rats and breeding places for insects. Clean, well-arranged out-buildings will save time later. Burn all branches pruned from the trees and bushes in the yard and orchard. Apply paint where needed. A coat of paint will help the looks of many buildings and make them last years longer.

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Plentiful Foods For May Listed

North Carolina homemakers who keep one eye on the household food budget will find plenty of nutritional variety on grocers' counters in May if they follow the U. S. Department of Agriculture's listing of "plentiful" for the month.

Topping the list in the field of fresh vegetables will be cabbage, cauliflower, lettuce, Irish potatoes, and celery from commercial producing areas, and these, of course, will be supplemented by a wider variety of early spring vegetables from home gardens.

USDA points out also that citrus-producing states have reported near-record crops of oranges, grapefruit, and lemons, and that these fruits also will be plentiful throughout the month.

Cold storage stocks of chickens, plus increased marketings of fresh supplies, have put chickens in the plentiful class again, and prices are relatively low, compared with those for competing foods. Eggs also are in liberal supply, and at prices well below the winter peak.

Other foods on the list of "plentiful" for May—foods which penny-wise housewives should keep in mind in planning spring menus—include the following: Canned orange, grapefruit, and blended juices, canned grapefruit segments, canned peas of the lower grades, canned pumpkin, canned sweet potatoes, canned tomato products (juice, catsup, paste, and puree), dried fruits (raisins, prunes, peaches, and figs), walnuts, filberts, pecans, fruit spreads, honey peanut butter, and both fresh and frozen fish.

In addition to the so-called "plentiful," North Carolina homemakers will find frozen lima beans and frozen peas in relatively plentiful supply in many sections.

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