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Uses and Abuses of Fertilizers

By Prof. R. J. H. DeLoach, Director of Georgia Experiment Station.

6. FERTILIZERS AND THE HOME GARDEN.

The Last of a Series of Six Articles.

A farmer that we used to know quite well always put on his garden plot a sack of guano and three or four loads of stable and other kinds of barnyard manure. His garden covered about one-fifth of an acre, and was good land to begin with. In fact, he had selected a good, rich spot of ground for his garden. The fertilizer he applied amounted to a thousand pounds per acre, and the barnyard manure to about seven or eight tons. Of course, he grew a good garden, as most people do, and yet he often wondered why his garden was so much better than other parts of his farm. He was a good farmer and made plenty of everything, and to spare. He knew that he made liberal applications of fertilizers and manures to his garden, but was never quite willing to acknowledge that these made all the difference in the yields.

Our gardens are usually the richest spots on the farm, and are so only because we make them so by fertilization and cultivation. Every acre in the average farm could be made just as rich if we tried to make it so. We do not consider sufficiently the factors which make fertile land. We do not strive to do intensive farming, but rather make it as extensive as our acres will allow. When we wish to make an additional bale of cotton, or bushel of corn, we take in more land instead of enriching what is already under cultivation.

Dr. L. H. Bailey has given in his book, "The Principles of Vegetable Gardening," some valuable suggestions on the use of commercial fertilizers. The kind and amount of fertilizers, he says, "are to be determined by several circumstances: (1) The earliness or quickness with which the crop is to be obtained, (2) the intensity of the operations to which the man is committed, (3) the character of the soil as regards tilth and texture, (4) the character of the land as regards richness in plant food, (5) the kind or species of crops to be raised." Whatever the condition of the land or the nature of the crop, it must be fertilized if the gardener means success. Competition in the truck-growing business can be met in no other way than by liberally fertilizing the ground on which the crops grow. Dr. Bailey has wisely said that fertilizers must be applied in excess of the actual needs of the plants. It is impossible to distribute a very small quantity of fertilizers over a large area.

Vegetables are such rapid growing plants that one need not fear that much of the fertilizer will leach out through the soil on account of rain. If it is applied close to or in the drill row, all of it should be saved. The plants will absorb it before it gets away. The formula generally recommended consists of a complex fertilizer, though the acid phosphate and nitrogen should come from different sources, even in the same fertilizer applied at any given time. The mixture for gardens should be composed of as many kinds of ingredients as possible, carrying the three fundamental elements of plant food—potash, nitrogen and phosphoric acid.

Voorhes recommends heavy applications of such mixtures to the commercial gardens and to truck patches. He says 1,000 to 5,000 pounds per acre of such mixture should be applied to asparagus, and as much to beets and turnips, less than that to peas and beans. With any amount after application has been found profitable. This is sometimes called the second application, which is not generally a complete fertilizer, but is composed of nitrogen, or one of the other elements alone. The second application of fertilizers may be composed of ammonia and acid, or other formula to suit the immediate crop.

Garden vegetables need large applications of fertilizer because any check in their growth produces inferiority in quality. It is said by Dr. Bailey that any delay in the growth of lettuce or radishes will generally cause a pungent flavor or sharp taste that is undesirable. It cuts down the market value. The way to remove any cause for this is to fertilize well and properly and then cultivate. The turnip is made very inferior when there is a check in growth. The vegetables that are thus stunted seem to revert to the original type from which they were derived, especially with regard to taste, and hence should be carefully looked after in regard to fertilization and cultivation. Fertilizers should be applied to the vegetable garden as early after the setting, hawking, as possible, as the soil ought to be saturated with rich plant food before the plants begin to grow very much. Then they will grow much more rapidly and make far better vegetables. The second application should be made about the time the young plants are half grown. This is as definite as a statement regarding this practice can be made. For all other crops, a third and fourth application is made, and with telling effects. No one can deny that the vegetable garden is the one place in which large dividends can be made from the use of commercial fertilizers.

SAFER SCHOOL BUILDING

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS REGARDING BETTER AND SAFER SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Commissioner Young Makes Some Timely Suggestions Concerning the Building and Remodeling of School Buildings.

Referring to the pamphlet, "Better and Safer School Buildings in This State," recently issued from this department, I desire to make additional statements, believing they will bring out more clearly and emphasize the suggestions therein.

1. The question of better school buildings is, of course, dependent upon the views of those who have charge of their erection, as to their desirability as well as upon the amount of funds at their command for use in their buildings. The statements in the pamphlet referred to show conclusively that it will be cheaper in the end to erect school buildings of a better class; to say nothing of their safety. The difference in the cost will be overcome in a few years by the smaller depreciation and less call for repairs on the building, as well as the saving in insurance premiums.

2. The question of safer school buildings is of very great importance and one that cannot be overlooked, if our school authorities are to come up to the full measure of their duty in safeguarding the children committed to them. There are two divisions of the work: (1) one the erection of safe buildings, and the other (2) the making of such changes in the buildings already erected and in use as will render them safe for occupancy. The erection of safer buildings will, of course, only come up as new buildings are proposed, but the making of the present buildings safe faces us each day and calls for prompt action in every city, town and school district of the State.

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These decisions and opinions are of the utmost importance to every fire-prevention association in this country, and should result in making the enforcement of all fire-prevention laws and ordinances much easier. When the chief or a member of the fire department makes an inspection of homes or commercial buildings or repairs made or rubbish removed, and calls the property owner's attention to the fact that he is liable for damages in case of fire, the property owner is quite likely to obey instructions forthwith, and he will in the future be much more careful about allowing hazardous conditions to exist about his property.—John T. Winship, Commissioner of Insurance of Wisconsin.

THE OVERHEATED STOVE.

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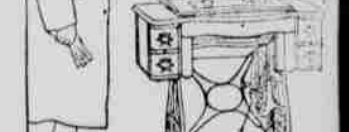
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