

Need Winter Crops To Build Up Soil

Making land produce heavily, and at the same time keeping it in good condition for future high production, is a problem that American farmers now face.

The answer to the problem, believes G. T. Scott, State PMA director and chairman of the State Agricultural Mobilization committee, is for farmers to make greater use of winter cover crops, green manures, and improved grass and legume production. In this way, he says, they will be protecting their soil while also providing increased feed for livestock.

State goals for fall-seeded grains, as announced by Scott, are 450,000 acres of wheat, 525,000 acres of oats, 50,000 acres of barley, and 16,000 acres of rye. All these acreages are on a planted basis except rye, for which the goal is given on a harvested basis.

"Maintenance in 1952 of the

1951 large acreages for many important crops, including wheat, and the expansion of feed production will again place heavy demands upon American farms and their soil resources," says Chairman Scott.

"Each year this happens, it becomes increasingly important that concern be shown about the future ability of our land to produce sufficiently to fill requirements of the growing population. It becomes necessary, therefore, that 1952 crop production be undertaken with the widest possible use of those practices which are known to increase production while building the soil resources for still more intensive future use.

"There never has been a greater need for more winter cover crops, green manures, and improved grass and legume production; both because of the need for protection and building of the soil and because of the need for increased feeding of livestock," Scott adds.

Launching Crusade for Freedom



Judy Hatula, of Detroit, prepares to release "pillow balloon" in the nationwide Crusade for Freedom which seeks to enroll 25,000,000 new American members and to raise \$3,500,000 for additional radio stations to penetrate Iron Curtain from Europe and Asia. The 1951 station wagon is one of 49 which the Chevrolet Motor Division has provided for Motorcades to visit principal cities in every state. Balloons used in Crusade dramatize millions of "Winds of Freedom" messages sent to people of Soviet satellite countries. The word "Wolnose" on the balloon is the Polish word meaning "Freedom."

CPL. WARD IS A MEMBER OF GUARD AT PEACE TREATY

Brevard Soldier in Group Protecting President At San Francisco

A Brevard soldier, Corporal Melvin L. Ward, son of Mrs. E. L. Ward, Brevard, played an important role in the Japanese peace treaty conference in San Francisco.

With other men of the 701st Military Police battalion, Corporal Ward was a member of a special security force charged with part of the responsibility of protecting President Truman, members of the American delegation headed by Secretary of State Dean Acheson, and the many classified documents pertaining to the conference. The battalion worked closely with security agencies in guarding the San Francisco Opera House, site of the conference, and Corporal Ward had been carefully trained in carrying out the duties to which he was assigned.

Corporal Ward, a veteran of 10 years service, is usually stationed at Fort MacArthur, Calif., and was on duty with the rest of the battalion in San Francisco for the conference.

During World War II he spent 40 months in Europe and Africa, serving with the 36th, 42nd and 8th Infantry divisions and the 73rd Anti-Aircraft Artillery gun battalion.

Freshmen FFA Officers Are Elected At BHS

Freshman officers of the Brevard FFA have been elected. Joe Compton is the new president, with Harry Kilstrom being elected as vice president. Clarence Goodson is secretary and Arthur Bishop is treasurer. Other freshmen officers include Jerry Pierson, reporter, and Charles Stepp, sentinel.

Randal J. Lyday is the faculty advisor and the senior officers are in charge.

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With the coming of the fall season, we begin to think of lawns and lawn grasses both for temporary winter lawns and for permanent ones. In most of North Carolina the fall months are the best

time of the year to build permanent lawns because the young grasses get a chance to become well established before next summer's heat and dry weather. If you are interested in building a new lawn this fall, you should write to the Agricultural Editor at State college for Extension Circular No. 292, "Carolina Lawns."

"I should like to say a few words here about winter lawns. Most established lawns in this state are of Bermuda grass, crab grass, dallis grass, blue grass or a mixture of these and others. All except blue grass will turn brown at the first hard frost. With the mild winters that we are blessed with over most of the state, it is very desirable to keep our lawns green the year round. This is made possible by sowing Italian rye grass in the established sod during late September or early October.

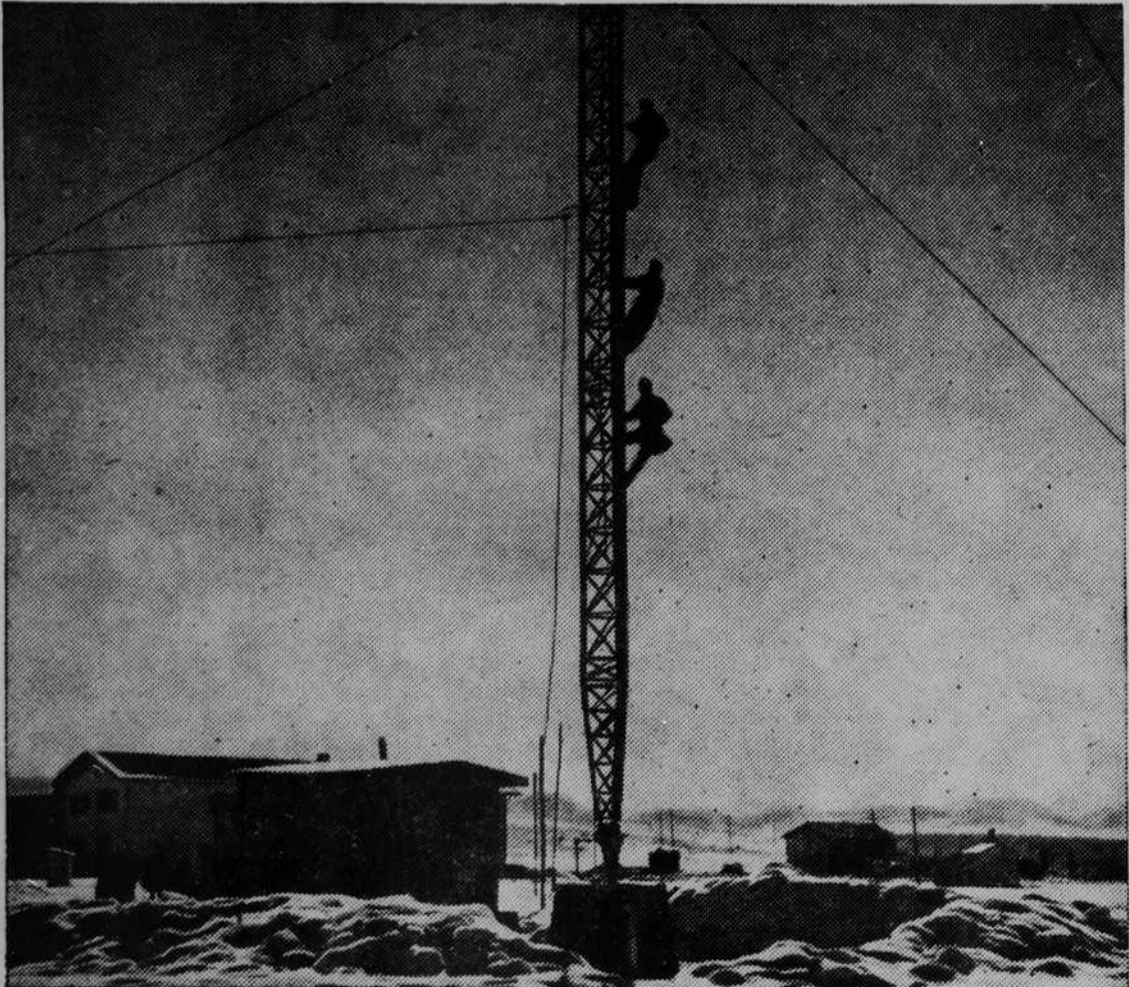
If your permanent sod is heavy, it may require 5 pounds of rye grass seed per 1,000 square feet of lawn. If the sod is not heavy, 2 to 3 pounds per 1,000 square feet should be sufficient.

Italian rye grass is an annual and will die out next June. By that time, the permanent grasses should take over again. Since blue grass remains fairly green in winter, it is not recommended that rye grass be planted in a good blue grass lawn. The spring growth of rye grass is often very heavy and may kill out the blue grass. In order to give a good dark green color to the rye grass it should be fertilized before planting. About 2 pounds of a 5-10-5 or other good garden fertilizer per 100 square feet of lawn should give good results.

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