

Crop Rotation Helps To Curb Tobacco Diseases

At the start of another tobacco growing season in North Carolina, L. T. Weeks, Extension specialist of N. C. State College, calls to the attention of farmers the results of experiments and demonstrations proving the value of crop rotations in controlling disease outbreaks.

"Rotating crops is probably the oldest way of trying to keep down tobacco diseases, and certainly it is the most common," Weeks said. "However, really effective disease control can be accomplished only by intelligent rotation adjusted to specific disease-control problems. In other words, just hit-or-miss rotation for any and all tobacco troubles won't do. Different diseases call for different crop rotations."

The specialist cited as an example that bare fallowing is no help at all in clearing up soil infestation with Granville wilt. To control that disease the land, after a crop of tobacco, needs to be cropped to corn, velvet beans or soybeans, cowpeas, small grain, or grasses.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture reported that tests on Granville wilt at Creedmoor in Granville county showed the value of the tobacco crop in various rotations ranged from nothing with continuous tobacco, to \$120 an acre for tobacco after redtop and \$129 for tobacco after corn.

"On the other hand," Weeks said, bare fallowing is very effective with root knot disease. Soil infested with root knot is reduced most rapidly

Raeford Kiwanis Club On The March

With good attendance and good programs, the Raeford Kiwanis club seems to be on the march for a new high in achievements. Of an active membership of 31, 27 and 5 visitors were present last week. Mr. Albert Gibson, the superintendent of the Laurinburg schools, and the man of many hobbies, was the speaker of the evening. He gave the club a delightful evening with his discussion of humorous epitaphs that he had gathered during the years. A. W. Shottus, of Oklahoma, a Kiwanian for 20 years, and guest of the club, made a short talk.

Another sign of new life in the club is the continuous growth of the Scout Troop and Cub Pack of Raeford, sponsored by the Kiwanis club. The national Scout troop was observed by the local Troop with several special events.

CHEESES

Argentina is continuing to furnish American tables with large quantities of cheese to replace the imports of Italian varieties cut off since the closing of the Mediterranean.

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with such crops as peanuts, velvet beans, small grains, crotalaria, and native weeds.

"The practical application of those findings are obvious. If root knot is the problem, rest the land and allow it to become covered with native weeds. If Granville Wilt is the trouble, cover it with crab grass."



HEAP BIG INJUN: Signe Hasso, famous Swedish star, plays Indian in a war bonnet, while on a sight-seeing tour of the Grand Canyon. Her smart travel ensemble includes a "bell hop" jacket of beige camel's hair, fastened with a double row of brown pearl buttons. Skirt is henna wool, the narrow gores stitched to look like pleats. When not wearing the feathered bonnet, Signe dons a more conventional hood of camel's hair, faced back with the skirt fabric.

-Of Interest To GARDENERS

(Contributed)

The roads and roadsides of the South may easily be made one of our chief assets. Plant life is so abundant in many sections of the South that all that is needed to make the roadsides attractive is a little skillful thinning, pruning, and transplanting of native material. Supplementing the native growth here and there with ornamental planting of some character, there are few sections of roads indeed that cannot be easily transformed into vistas of great beauty.

Traffic follows the modern, hard-surfaced highways, and each succeeding year sees motor-vehicle traffic increasing, both in the form of private cars and modern motor coaches.

If, then, we would make a favorable impression on these visitors, and would advertise the natural beauty of the South, there is no better way than by improving the attractiveness of our roadsides.

The most commendable motive for creating beauty is for beauty's sake, of course; but just now, due to exceptional opportunities which have presented themselves, in the form of these government facts, we should work diligently to the end that the main highways and roads be placed in as attractive condition as possible this year, in order to make travel more enjoyable for the many who will pass our way, and that desirable opinions may be formed of us and the South.

While it is quite true that any well-planned project for lasting improvement usually requires many months for its consummation, much of a semipermanent or temporary nature can be done in a single season.

Due to initial cost and the necessity for thorough planning, shrubs should be considered for use only where plans for permanent beautification have been completed. But fortunately for us, there are a number of annual flowers of such hardiness, dependability, and persistence of bloom that our roadsides may be transformed into avenues of loveliness within a very few months, and at negligible cost and effort.

The time is short. Yet there is ample time if the plans are started at once. If your garden club, woman's club, civic organization, or even a small group of interested individuals, will become active immediately, the selected roadways may be transformed into avenues of colorful beauty by the time the stream of motor traffic starts its great flow in early summer.

Our first activity should be to interview the highway engineer or other representative of the state highway department, and obtain his cooperation. When the purpose and plan are explained to him, he will probably be able to suggest sections of road for first attention.

In any event, whatever is done with reference to state roads must be done with the full knowledge and consent of the state highway department. These highway departments are usually willing to give every possible support to any movement to make the highways in their respective states more attractive.

During the month of December, consumption of cotton in the United States broke all records for a single month, representing a gain of nearly 30 per cent over the corresponding month of 1939.

Farm Picture For 1941 Has Bright, Dark Sides

In an outlook message to North Carolina farm families, Dean I. O. Schaub, director of the State college extension service, says that the agricultural picture for 1941 has both a bright and a dark side.

On the bright side he lists poultry, with an expected increase in domestic demand; dairying, with some increase expected in exports, better buying power, and a favorable feed situation; hogs, cattle and sheep, with slaughter supplies lower than in 1940 and a larger domestic consumer demand along with better prices to producers; and fruits, which face a better demand even though larger plantings generally are being made.

On the dark side of the picture are listed: Tobacco, with vital export markets closed and only the AAA farm program, assured for three years, as the stabilizing factor is price; cotton, with a world supply larger than ever, reduced foreign markets, and no change in price expected in 1941; peanuts, with the price determining factor supplied by the government diversion program although a somewhat better domestic demand is anticipated; and cost of farming, which will be higher although somewhat offset by increased prices for the things the farmer has to sell.

With these facts in mind, Dean Schaub urged that "we set our rural house in order that we may be ready for any eventuality." He suggests that any repairs needed now about the home or farmstead should be attended to at once. Reserves of food and feed should be saved; pure bred sires should be secured to head flocks and herds; and supplies of the best farm seeds should be procured. "In general," he declared, "the farm should be made ready—ready for whatever may happen."

Say "I saw it in The News-Journal."

A TAR HEEL IN NEW YORK

By BOB COVINGTON

The whole idea of this column is to tell you things about life in New York that will be of interest to you. The whole reason why I look at New York through the eyes of a southerner and a small-towner.

But after all, I've lived here seven and a half years now and sometimes I have a sneaking feeling that I probably miss telling you a lot of things that you might be curious about. In such a state of mind, I am helped by a week-long association with southerners visiting New York. I like to see what they do, what they comment on, what they think about the life they see here.

Two such visitors were here this week and it was an interesting experience to follow their energetic sight-seeing, play-going and shopping. My observation led me to draw a few conclusions about the things that interest the southern visitors most in New York.

First, I would say, come the theatres and night clubs, the theatres for the grown-ups, the night clubs for the youngsters. The closest thing that most of us have seen before we come to New York are the home talent plays or perhaps a none-too-good traveling company of actors. The jump from these to performance by Helen Hayes or Katharine Cornell is considerable. The New York theatre does things with scenery and lights that most of us hadn't previously conceived of and the whole performance in an experience of the eye and heart that makes us know that we are in the city where the theatre of live actors reaches its highest point.

For the lovers of popular music and dancing there is little to equal the experience of dancing and listening in one evening to Guy Lombardo, Horace Heidt or any one of three dozen famous orchestras whose personalities and style of music have been dinned into their being for years on records, in the movies and

over the radio. There is a deeper thrill too in the eternal holiday atmosphere of New York at night—the clock is forgotten along with "tomorrow morning."

Of second interest, to the ladies at any rate, are New York's stores. Men visitors to New York may sleep late but not the ladies. They are up early, hiking on Fifth Avenue, walking the miles of aisles in New York's great stores, marvelling at the closepacked masses of shoppers, the variety of merchandise, the show windows each of which is a little theatre in itself using all the modern miracles of lighting and scenery. A morning and afternoon of shopping brings aching arches and a variety of purchases, each usually small but representing a fascinating hour or so of shopping.

To musical visitors the Metropolitan Opera and the concerts at Carnegie Hall are a must. Most visitors want to visit the museums and art galleries but "don't know whether we'll have time." Most are impressed with the friendly and talkative taxi drivers, with the big, handsome, twinkle-eyed policemen most of whom seem to be Irish as they expected. Most visitors are impressed with the crowds, with the difficulty of getting tickets to popular shows, with the interest New Yorkers show in southern accents, with their own ability to find their way around in the city (it's really one of the easiest places in the world to get around in) and with the rush and hurry in the streets. It encourages me that most of these are things I have commented on at one time or another but it's good to take stock once in a while.

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All persons failing to list in the required time will be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, fined or imprisoned. A minimum penalty of \$1.00 will be charged for failure to list.

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J. A. McGOOGAN, Tax Supervisor

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