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Seed Treatment Cuts Grain Loss

Annual losses due to attacks of smut diseases in small grain can be cut to a minimum by the use of seed treatments and the planting of smut resistant varieties, says H. R. Garris, plant pathologist at State College.

Garris points to the results of tests conducted in 18 North Carolina counties during the 1941-42 season as proof of his statement.

In the experiments, to control the bunt of wheat, often called the stinking smut, seed of the Red Hart variety were artificially inoculated with smut spores. One lot of the seed was

treated with ethyl mercury phosphate at the rate of one-half ounce per bushel of seed, while the other portion was not treated.

Seed from the two lots were planted in adjacent rows and the results showed an average of 452 infected heads in the untreated rows, and only a trace (two-hundredths of one percent) in the treated rows.

For the control of loose smut of wheat, only the use of disease resistant varieties, such as Leaps 157, will give success. Seed treatment is completely ineffective, Garris says.

In controlling loose smut of oats, the seed of the Lee variety, susceptible to this disease, were inoculated with the loose smut spores, and then only part of these were treated. The

results showed an average of one-tenth of one per cent infection in the treated group, and an average of 4.4 per cent infection in the untreated group.

In the same test, it was found that the Lelina, Letoria, Victorgrain, Stanton and Fulgrain 4 showed marked resistance to the disease.

More Winter Peas Now Available To Farmers

North Carolina farmers now have a total supply of almost 8,000,000 pounds of Austrain winter peas available for fall use as a winter cover crop following a recent allocation to the State of an additional 5,000,000 pounds, it was announced today by G. T. Scott, chairman of the State AAA Committee.

The additional amount was made available, Scott said, as part of a program designed to increase seeding of winter legumes this fall in order to prevent erosion and increase productivity of the soil.

Deadline for applying for supplemental materials is November 15th, he declared, and all materials not used within the current program year will be charged against the farm's 1944 production practice allowance. All orders must be placed with the County AAA Committee.

SWEET POTATO

The sweet potato is now recognized as the South's greatest food crop in that it gives the largest returns per acre in nutritious food, says J. Y. Lassiter, Extension horticulturist.

To get the most food value from them, tomatoes should be eaten raw from the vine, recommends Miss Mary E. Thomas, extension nutritionist at State College.

Fall is the best season of the year for seeding lawns, says L. G. McLean, horticulturist with the Experiment Station at State College.

Legume Growers To Harvest All Seed Possible

Calling on farmers to harvest all the legume seed possible this fall, J. C. Hutchinson of the Pee Dee-Cape Fear soil conservation district said this week that seed of these crops must be harvested on the farm if an adequate supply is to be available for planting next year.

Lespedeza, cowpeas, soybeans, crutalaria, and sericea lespedeza are the most important legume seed that can be saved. An adequate supply of seed for these crops that will be required in carrying out farm conservation plans and also establishing soil conserving practices may not be available through commercial channels.

The war has closed the European seed-producing areas to the American market. Then too farmers will need large supplies of forage, soil-conserving, and pasture plants seed next spring to add nitrogen to the soil to make up for a lack of commercial nitrogen and to insure the sustained production of food for freedom.

There's more than enough legumes and pasture plant seed to take care of next year's planting needs if harvested, but unless this seed is saved a shortage may develop. Averting that possibility falls directly on the shoulders of the farmers themselves.

CRATES

Home canners are asked to return the empty fruit and vegetable crates and baskets to their dealers, who will return them to growers and packing houses where they are desperately needed.

CHICKENS

In poultry-raising, the use of wire-mesh floors has simplified the care of chicks, and for older birds, the use of a deep, highly absorbent litter saves changing it so often.

FARM BUREAU NOTICE

Any person wishing to join the Farm Bureau of Hoke County may make application for membership at the office of

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You can leave your name and annual dues (\$3.00) at our office. It will be turned over to Mr. J. M. McGaugan, secretary and treasurer and he will mail you your official receipt.

Advertising Called "A Major Weapon"

Washington, Sept. 27.—American business firms should maintain their advertising schedules as "a constructive contribution to the war effort," is the opinion of the commerce department.

Asserting that advertising containing important wartime information constitutes "a major weapon of the home front," the department said:

The record shows that business has shared this viewpoint. Companies continue to advertise. And they keyed their messages to aiding the government in its prosecution of the war.

The department said in a 96-page booklet that it realized immediately after the Pearl Harbor attack that advertising would be an important home front weapon.

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Others are: Tambourine, Trumpet, and Drum, by Sheila Kaye Smith; Mrs. Pennington, by Katherine Carson; One World, by Wendell Wilkie; Young Canada, by Anne Peck; Leathernecks, by Rolfe Boswell, and How to Dress in Wartime, by Winifred Raushenbush.

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