

State College Answers Timely Farm Questions

QUESTION: Can too much lime be applied to soils?

ANSWER: Yes. State college agronomists suggest that you have an analysis made of the soil in the field where you plan to apply lime and find out how much is needed for the particular crop you wish to grow. Your county agent will tell you how to take the soil sample. Too much lime may cause an increase in certain plant diseases. Certain plant foods may be tied up.

QUESTION: What is the best means of renovating an old pasture that has been "grazed to death?"

ANSWER: Since you are in the Coastal Plain, it is best to double cut the sod with a heavy disk to a depth of about 4 inches, and do a thorough job. The carpet grass will come back fast enough. Since you have an average sandy soil, 10 pounds of Dallis grass and 15 pounds of Kobe lespedeza per acre is recommended, or 10 pounds of Dallis grass and 5 pounds of low hop clover.

QUESTION: How can I control bottom-end rot of tomatoes?

ANSWER: Bottom-end rot can be materially reduced, but not entirely prevented, by avoiding the use of heavy applications of nitrogen, especially manure and by supplying additional superphosphate. Also the application of water to the roots of the plants will frequently check the disease.

QUESTION: How can nut grass be controlled?

ANSWER: About the only working plan is continuous cultivation of the land at every two-weeks interval throughout two growing seasons, says Dr. Roy Lovvern, forage crops expert of the Agricultural Ex-

periment State at State College. "This does not necessarily have to be deep cultivation, but should be just deep enough to destroy the growing parts," he said. "I realize that this recommendation involves a lot of trouble, but it will work, if pursued diligently."

QUESTION: Will there be any mechanical cotton pickers operating in North Carolina during the coming season?

ANSWER: It is reported that there will be one mechanical picker in Robeson county and about 20 strippers, principally in Harnett, Scotland, and Union counties. The leaves of the cotton must be removed by chemicals in order for these machines to do the best jobs. Cotton is easily stained by green leaves and this makes dyeing of the cotton difficult.

QUESTION: Will a dust composed of one part of ferriate and seven parts of pyrophyllite filler control tomato leaf and fruit diseases?

ANSWER: This type of fungicidal dust is now being tested in 9 mountain counties by county agents and growers under the supervision of Howard R. Garriss, Extension plant pathologist at State College. It will be checked against "no treatment" and also against other fungicidal dusts and sprays.

Law Requires Vaccination Of School Child

An act of the last General Assembly, Sections 130-133, requires that all children be successfully vaccinated against smallpox before attending any public, private or parochial school in North Carolina.

The law states that parents must have their children vaccinated by a practicing physician or, if they are unable to pay for this service, by the County Health Officer or County Physician. Every child must present a certificate from a practicing physician or the county health officer or physician, or must have a satisfactory scar showing that he has been successfully vaccinated against

smallpox. This law applies to children of all ages who attend school in North Carolina. Parents who have not had their children vaccinated against smallpox and expect to send them to school this fall should have this done immediately.

Peace brings reconversion problems in agriculture as well as in industry.

The firing of corn during the exceptionally wet weather is principally due to a lack of nitrogen.

LEGAL NOTICES

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of H. R. McNeill, deceased, late of Hoke county, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them duly verified according to law, to the undersigned at my home at Maxton, RFD, on or before the 23rd day of August, 1946, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 23rd day of August, 1945.
D. E. Dunn, Administrator of estate of H. R. McNeill. 12-17p

NOTICE OF TIMBER SALE

Pursuant to an Order of the Clerk of Superior Court of Hoke County, North Carolina, dated August 20, 1945, the undersigned will offer to the highest bidder at public sale at the court house door in Raeford, North Carolina at 12 o'clock noon, Wednesday, September 5th, 1945, all of the pine timber 10 inches in diameter one foot above the level ground, standing or growing upon the 50-acre tract of land known as the Mag Hester property, located in Antioch Township, Hoke County, N. C., and better described by a deed registered in Book 4-A, page 193 of Robeson County public registry. Buyer may have one year to cut and remove the purchased timber.

Posted August 21, 1945.
Clara Watson Wilkerson, Guardian of Mag Watson Hester. 12-13-45



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