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Select Next Year's Small Grain Seed Now

Now is the time for small grain growers of North Carolina to take inventory, says A. D. Stuart, Extension Seed Specialist at State College.

"It is best to take stock of next year's seed supply," he said, "before it is too late to remember which lot of grain was the best quality, and had the highest purity in the field." Next year's planting seed should be saved now and set aside where damage from insects and rodents will not be likely, he added.

A large crop of grain now usually means that very little attention will be paid to seed planted this fall. The wise farmer will see that enough good seed is available to how his acres because quality will again count in the product grown. Poor quality seed will now take its accustomed place at the bottom of the ladder of quality and low return to the farmer.

If your fields were severely damaged by disease this year or if nematode appeared in your wheat, you should plan now to get, and use good seed for next year's crop, he said, adding that if possible, seed of certified quality should be used.

"Remember that the cheapest seed you can buy is actually the most expensive," the specialist said.

Tobacco Requires More Farm Labor

Tobacco requires more than half of North Carolina farm labor's total crop hours although it is exceeded in acreage by several crops, it was revealed in a survey reported by the Federal-State Crop Reporting Service.

The report explained that tobacco requires more work per acre than any other crop. Farmers in North Carolina harvest almost twice as many acres and pounds of tobacco than those of any other State.

Almost three-fourths of all farm work done in North Carolina is devoted to crops, the report stated. Slightly more labor is devoted to farm maintenance than to livestock.

Labor requirements for wheat and cotton have increased since 1939 because of greater yields on additional acres, but labor for corn and tobacco went down, despite a higher yield, because of sharply decreased acreage.

Labor requirements for all farm work in North Carolina decreased slightly from 1939 to 1944. Requirements for crops dropped five percent, while those for livestock increased almost a fifth because of the higher livestock populations.

Increase Shown In Cotton Crop

Cotton in cultivation in North Carolina on July 1 was estimated at 625,000 acres, an increase of 8.5 per cent over the acreage in cultivation July 1, 1946, the Federal-State Crop Reporting Service reported.

Current acreage is 74 per cent of the 10 (1936-45) average.

On July 1, 1946, cotton in cultivation in North Carolina totaled 576,000 acres, of which 570,000 acres were harvested. The 10-year (1937-46) average abandonment of cotton acreage from natural causes is 1.2 per cent in North Carolina. Thus, the report explained, North Carolina growers will harvest around 618,000 acres of cotton this year should abandonment be about average.

Weather conditions were unfavorable during the planting and germination period in many cotton-growing counties, the Crop Reporting Service stated. As a result, considerable replanting was necessary and in some sections stands are below normal.

For the nation as a whole, cotton growers have increased their acreage 18 percent over last year, bringing the acreage in cultivation July 1 of this year to 21,389,000 acres. This is 87 per cent of the 10-year (1936-45) average of 24,517,000 acres.

All cotton-growing states have increased plantings over last year except Oklahoma, which shows a two per cent decline. Texas, the top-ranking state in acreage, increased its cotton acreage 33 per cent, accounting for 65 per cent of the national increase.

Other major cotton states showing increases over last year's acreage are Mississippi, three per cent; Arkansas, 20 per cent; Alabama, two per cent; Georgia, five per cent; South Carolina, nine per cent; Louisiana, five per cent; Tennessee, six per cent; California, 49 per cent; Missouri, 38 per cent, and Arizona, 51 per cent.

A purebred OIC pig project is being conducted in Franklin County with eight purebred OIC gilts and one boar being distributed to 4-H Club members in the county.

LEGALS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Having qualified as administrators of the estate of Beulah McLean, deceased, late of Hoke County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned duly verified, on or before June 19, 1948, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

W. T. and J. C. McLean, Administrators. 3-8C

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE
Having qualified as executor of the estate of W. C. and Alice Guin, deceased, late of Hoke County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned, duly verified, at R-2, Raeford, on or before June 19, 1948, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

Albert McArthur Guin, Executor. 2-7P

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Mrs. Ruth Gordon Currie, deceased, late of Hoke County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned, duly verified, at Raeford, on or before June 26, 1948, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

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Under and pursuant to an order of the Court I as commissioner will offer to the highest bidder for cash at 12 o'clock, noon, on the 9th day of August, 1947, at the courthouse door in Raeford, N. C., all of that lot and improvements in the Town of Raeford, N. C., known as the last residence and homeplace of the late L. M. Andrews, deceased, located on the west side of the Laurinburg and Southern Ry., and on the North side of Harris Avenue in the Town of Raeford, which property is better described by metes and bounds as will appear by reference to Book of Deeds No. 69, at page 282, respectively, of Hoke County public registry.

This 7th day of July, 1947.
Arthur D. Gore, Commissioner. 3-3-C

NOTICE
North Carolina
Hoke County
In the Superior Court
In the matter of the Adoption of Leslie Hunt, Minor
By Arch Locklear and Sarah J. Locklear, his wife

Bunk Hunt will take notice that an action as above entitled has been commenced in the Superior Court for Hoke County, North Carolina by the petitioners for the adoption of Leslie Hunt by Arch Locklear and wife Sarah J. Locklear, and said Bunk Hunt will further take notice that he is required to appear on or before August 25th 1947 and answer or demur to the petition filed in this cause, or the petitioners will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the petition.

This June 24th 1947.
J. B. Gameron, Clerk of the Superior Court
N. McN. Smith, Atty. for Petitioners. 4-7C

NOTICE OF SALE OF PERSONALTY BY ADMINISTRATOR
As administrator of the estate of W. P. Lester, deceased, I will offer for sale at public auction for cash at the courthouse door in Raeford, N. C., at 12 o'clock, noon, on the 4th of August, 1947, the following personalty, to-wit: Five (5) shares of Bank of Raeford stock.

This 14th day of July, A. D., 1947.
T. B. Lester 7-9C

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