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ACP. PROVIDES BEST MEANS OF CONSERVATION PRACTICE

The Committee on Appropriations of The House of Representatives has recommended that the 1966 program authorization for the ACP be restored to the regular level of \$250 million. The following excerpts were taken from the committee's report:

"In the opinion of the majority of the members of the Committee, the funds expended through this program turn to the Nation the greatest possible conservation benefits. Further, this program provides the best possible means of meeting local conservation needs in all areas of the country. It is far more effective than many other approaches adopted in recent years.

"Conservation practices under this program are developed initially at the local level by ASC State and county committees, the Soil Conservation Service, and the Federal Forest Service. Representatives of the land-grant colleges, the Farmers Home Administration, State conservation committees, and other State and Federal agricultural agencies also participate in these determinations.

"The recommendations of these groups are used as the basis to formulate joint recommendations to the ASC in

Washington. From these recommendations, the various agencies of the Department in Washington develop and recommend to the Secretary of Agriculture a national program. State and local people then develop their local programs within the structure of the national program approved by the Secretary. No practices are adopted and put into effect in any State or county unless approved by the local conservation groups."

"It was mentioned earlier under the Soil Conservation Service portion of this report that the most serious threat to that agency and the Nation's soil and water conservation program was the budget proposal to drastically reduce this vital cost-sharing program, which is the basis for a large part of the soil conservation practices actually put on the land. It was pointed out that the proposed reduction of \$100,000,000 in next year's Agricultural Conservation Program would reduce funds available to the Soil Conservation Service for technical assistance by about \$35 million, would reduce the number of technicians by 530, and would eliminate or curtail over one-third of the conservation measures applied to the soil through the various watershed and district programs."

VETERANS OFFICER TO BE IN BURNSVILLE

The N. C. Veterans Commission will have Jack C. Winchester, District Officer in the Courthouse with the County Service Officer at Burnsville, N. C. on Thursday, June 24, 1965 from 11:00 a. m. to 4:00 p. m. and in the Courthouse at Bakersville, N. C. on Friday, June 25, 1965 from 8:00 a. m. to 2:30 p. m. to assist with veterans and their dependents.

Mr. Winchester stated that President Johnson signed into law on October 13, 1964, an amendment to the present non-service connected disability and dependent pension law which allows certain changes in amounts of pension, also certain disabled veterans drawing Aid and Attendance may be furnished certain medicines free by the Veterans Administration. This law will also permit certain veterans who served between October 8, 1940 and December 31, 1953 to apply for new insurance or add on to any service insurance they have up to a maximum of \$10,000. The new insurance cannot be granted until May 1, 1965, however these veterans will have until May 1, 1966 to apply.

If a veteran had any condition, disease or sickness or injury as result of his or her service, and has not filed a claim they should contact the Veterans Service Officer and

GARDEN TIME

BY M. E. GARDNER
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How much do you really know about the chemical dusts and sprays used to control the many pests which attack fruits, vegetable, ornamental and field crops?

You have been advised many times to STOP-READ THE LABEL before using these chemical controls. Do you understand what you read? Apparently many do not.

A very interesting report comes from the University of Wisconsin along this line. It was conducted by two agricultural journalists, Glenn Frederick and Richard Powers.

They divided the people-to-be interviewed into three groups — housewives, students and farmers. They asked these groups if they understood certain words found on 48 labels of common insecticides used on the farm and around the home.

The agricultural students were tested on their understanding of 29 terms. Eight of the 29 words are not understood by 40 per cent of the students. The farmers were tested on 25 words and 5 were missed by 40 per cent or more of the group.

The housewives did best. They were tested on 23 terms and only one word was missed by 40 per cent or more of their group.

While there is much room for misrepresentation in a test such as this, it does emphasize the importance of having complete instructions on the container so that all chemicals may be used effectively and safely.

These are some of the terms commonly used: pesticide, insecticide, fungicide, rodenticide, nematocide and herbicide.

Wettable powder (WP), emulsifier, emulsifiable concentrate (EC), contact poison, systemic poison, fumigant, residue and antidote.

Larvae, nymph, pre-emergence, aerosol, agitate, dormant, drift and defoliant.

Now, test yourself by defining as many terms as you can. Next week I will define them for you and you can find out how well informed you are.

The more we know about the proper use of chemicals to control plant pests, the less likely we are to injure plants when applying or to become victims of their careless use.

file as soon as possible. Veterans who establish service connection for injury, sickness or disease brought about by the above period of service will have a better chance to obtain the new insurance, whether the condition is disabling or not. Therefore, no matter how small or insignificant one may think the condition is, it may be determined to have resulted from service and could possibly qualify for new insurance.

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