

Japanese Greeted With Peace Offerings



As Japanese hordes swarmed through Waihsan, near Kinkiang, these frightened Chinese peasants sought peace with the invaders by offering their prized possessions—pigs.

Nation's Flue-Cured Quota Is 754,000,000 Pounds

Marketing Limitations Will Go Into Effect July 1 Of Next Year If Approved In Referendum To Be Held December 10

Washington — A national marketing quota of 754,000,000 pounds for flue-cured tobacco in the marketing year beginning July 1, 1939, has been announced by Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace in accordance with the provisions of the agricultural adjustment act of 1938.

The total supply of flue-cured tobacco as of July 1, 1938 was 1,750,000,000 pounds. The reserve supply level is 1,727,000,000 pounds.

A referendum of flue-cured tobacco growers will be held December 10, 1938. If two-thirds or more of the farmers taking part in the referendum vote in favor of the quota, the quota will be in effect for 1939. Every farmer who grew flue-cured tobacco in 1938 will be eligible to cast one vote in the referendum.

"It is the desire of the department," Secretary Wallace said, "that as many farmers as possible vote in the referendum and that the vote cast by each person express his view as to whether the quota should be in effect."

The referendum will be conducted through secret ballot.

Not over one percent of the national quota will be used for new farms in 1939 as contrasted with 3 percent in 1938. This change was made upon the recommendation of leading farmer-representatives in recognition of the fact that farmers already growing tobacco are equipped and in a position to grow over 1,000,000,000 pounds of flue-cured tobacco, or about one-third more than the present annual world consumption.

In discussing the administration of the tobacco quota provisions of the new farm act, Secretary Wallace said:

"The 1938 tobacco quotas aided farmers materially in maintaining a good balance between supply and demand, thus keeping the farm income for flue-cured tobacco at a reasonable level.

"Several recommendations which should correct the difficulties encountered in 1938 have been made for the 1939 program by leading farm representatives at a recent conference and by numerous other farmers through letters to the department. One of the most important recommendations which will be adopted for 1939 provides for the limi-

tations of the quota transferred to any individual farm to a relatively small percent of the quota for the farm. In other words, a producer who has tobacco materially in excess of his quota will be able to obtain by transfer from other producers additional quota sufficient to cover only a part of the excess. This provision would not affect transfers from farms where production was reduced because of unfavorable weather conditions.

"It is not expected that the quotas will be completely satisfactory to all farmers, because many growers desire to expand their production as a result of the favorable tobacco prices in recent years. However, cooperation by farmers in the tobacco programs clearly accounts for a great part of the difference between favorable prices for their recent crops and disastrously low prices such as those existing prior to the beginning of the program in 1933."

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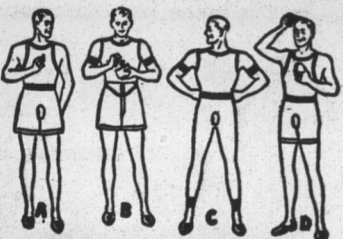
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FARM QUESTIONS ANSWERED

Question: Is it economical to grind feed for my beef cattle?

Answer: Grinding feeds does not increase the nutritive value nor does it increase digestibility, but corn and cob meal is a safer feed in the hands of an inexperienced feeder than shelled corn. The small hard-coated grains such as rye, wheat and barley should be ground or rolled. Corn stover and other low grade roughages may well be shredded so that the inedible parts may be used for bedding. If feed is ground be sure that it is coarse as fine grinding causes digestive disturbances and the fine ground feed is also more liable to heat and spoil in the bin.

Question: When is the best time to sow seeds in hotbeds for early vegetable crops?

Answer: This will depend upon the time the plants are wanted in the field and the section of the State in which the garden is located. In Eastern North Carolina such hardy crops as cabbages and lettuce are sown in the fall in open beds or cold-frames and transplanted as early as January 15. In the mountain sections these hardy crops are started in the beds about January 1 to 15. For the early crop of tender vegetables such as tomatoes and peppers, the seed should be started in hotbeds or window boxes from eight to ten weeks before it is safe to set in the field.

Question: Should grain feed in the poultry flock be increased when artificial lights are used?

Answer: The use of artificial light naturally lengthens the feeding period and it is therefore necessary to increase grain con-

sumption in order to maintain the body weight and control egg production. Fourteen pounds of grain to each 100 birds per day is the usual amount to feed when lights are used but grain consumption will vary from month to month. The birds should go to roost every night with their crops full of grain. Mash consumption will also be increased and this should be kept before the birds at all times.

TREATY SPURS SALES

New York City—Last week's reciprocal trade treaty between

the U. S. and Great Britain, including Canada and British Crown Colonies, is expected to stimulate a rush of orders for both American and British goods amounting to millions of dollars. Hundreds of U. S. firms are preparing to send salesmen into British markets. Coming at a moment of severe international criticism of Germany's anti-Jewish policy, industrial leaders of the Reich fear that the closer commercial alliance between Britain and America will deal a heavy blow to German exports. Preliminary figures of the Bureau of Census show the Unit-

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