

## Plant Specialist Outlines Six Points To Cut Annual Losses

Associated with your vegetable garden last year? Were they by some disease? Could they well have happened? J. C. Wells, extension plant pathologist at N. C. State College, says vegetable diseases cause a multi-million dollar loss in North Carolina each year.

Wells believes, however, that much of this loss can be prevented by following a few proven disease control practices. Here are some of the practices that Wells suggests:

(1) Seed Selection — Obtain seed from seedmen that have a reputation for selling high quality, disease-free seed. Use certified seed whenever available.

Good examples of seed-borne diseases that can cause severe damage when conditions are favorable are anthracnose and bacterial blight of snap beans, black rot of cabbage, bacterial spot of pepper and anthracnose of watermelon, cucumber and cantaloupe.

To prevent diseases of this type, buy seed grown in the arid regions of the West where these diseases do not develop. In the case of pepper and cucurbits, treat seed with bicloride of mercury if they were not grown in arid regions of the West.

(2) Seed Treatment — The practice of treating seed will often prevent failure to get good stands and avoid cost of replanting. The objective of seed treatment is twofold: first, to kill disease-producing organisms in or on the seed; and secondly, to protect the seed and young seedlings against disease-producing organisms in the soil — primarily those organisms capable of causing damping-off and seedling blight. In treating use a recommended chemical such as thiram according to manufacturer's directions.

(3) Rotation and Sanitation — Remember seed treatment is not

a cure-all. It is of little value to treat seed and then plant them in the same spot where the crop was planted the year before. As soon as each crop is harvested, old plants should be plowed under or removed and burned to destroy the disease organisms.

(4) Healthy Plants and Resistant Varieties — Many diseases start in young seedlings in greenhouses or plant beds and later cause heavy losses in field. Always purchase plants from reputable growers who have practiced disease control in their own plant beds. The best bet is to produce your own plants. Plant varieties resistant to diseases when they are available.

(5) Dusting and Spraying — Many diseases have to be prevented by dusting or spraying the plants with fungicide. Examples are early and late blight of tomato and downy mildew of cucurbits (cucumber, squash, cantaloupe). Sprays and dusts are preventive treatments and are most successful when the following points are carried out: (a) select the proper chemical for the particular disease; (b)

use 100 percent of the amount before the disease becomes severe and at recommended intervals; and (c) do a thorough job of spraying or dusting.

(6) Root-knot Control by Fumigation and Rotation — Root-knot nematodes is perhaps the major disease problem confronting commercial vegetable growers. All summer vegetable crops are susceptible to severe damage.

Nematodes can be controlled to a large extent if the proper crop rotation is practiced. Root-knot resistant crops include rutabaga, fescue, oats, millet and sudan. Soil treatment with ethylene dibromide (EDB), DD or Nemagon is effective and economically practical. If root-knot is severe and is the major disease problem, soil treatments pay large dividends in the form of markedly increased growth and yield. For most materials, it is safer to treat in the fall several months before planting in the spring. Follow all directions in land preparation, time of treatment and materials used for best results.

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### Wintfall News

Mrs. Shelton Morgan and boys are visiting her mother at Galax, Va.

The Rev. and Mrs. A. N. Gore, Jr., and son spent last week at Nags Head at the Humphlett cottage.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hollowell spent Monday in Norfolk and Portsmouth, Va. Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Temple and family accompanied them.

Ray Elliott spent Sunday in Norfolk, Va., visiting relatives. Miss Audrey Umphlett is able to be at her duties at the health center after being home sick for over a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Elijah White, Mrs. Shelton Long and Woodrow Daughtrey motored to Oxford Tuesday and attended the Class Day exercises at Oxford Orphanage.

Mrs. L. A. Smith is a patient at Norfolk General Hospital, Norfolk, Va., with a fractured left arm caused by a fall at her home. She is doing nicely.

Miss Minnie Lee Winslow of Hertford, Route, has returned home after receiving treatment at a Norfolk hospital and is doing fine.

Miss Clara Winslow of Hertford, Route 2, entered Norfolk General Hospital Monday for an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ray Miller spent the week-end at Nags Head.

Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Smith spent the week-end at Nags Head. They had as their guests, Mr. and Mrs. E. Q. White, Ann and Brenda of Hertford, Rt. 2.

Mrs. E. J. Roberson and sons of Norfolk, Va., spent several days this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Lane. The Rev. and Mrs. Wray Smith, Mary and James of Kernersville, the Rev. and Mrs. Eugene Smith and family of Draper visited Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Smith Monday on their way to Nags Head to spend a week.

### Whiteston News

Mrs. Verna Winslow, Mr. and Mrs. Alvah Winslow and James were dinner guests on Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Wiggins and family of Gates.

Miss Iola Jane Winslow and Keith Abbott of East Carolina College, Greenville, spent Sunday with Jane's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Winslow and attended the Owens-Winslow wedding in the P. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Alec Stallings, Ariene Stallings and Roger Dillon were dinner guests on Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Limer of Virginia Beach. Mrs. Limer is the daughter of Alec and Ina Stallings.

Little Jeff Winslow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elihu Winslow of Deep Creek, Va., is spending some time with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Winslow.

Those from the community attending the Owens - Winslow wedding at the Newland M. E. Church Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. Willie Winslow and Sheila, Mr. and Mrs. Archie White, Mr. and Mrs. Lyndon White, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Winslow, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Stallings, Mrs. Mercer Winslow, Jasper Winslow, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph White and Misses Sybil Winslow, Rachel and Jane Winslow, Pearl and Mary Frances White.

Ellis Stallings has received word of the death and serious

condition of the mother and father-in-law of Mr. George Lofton Stallings in Kentucky. The Stallings are known here as Doc and Georgia. Georgia's mother was killed instantly and her father is critically ill in a hospital.

Mrs. William Winslow entertained her mother, Mrs. Pearl Perry and William's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arba Winslow at a barbecue chicken supper Monday evening at their home, honoring William's birthday.

### Burgess News

Martie Mathews called on Maggie Corpew Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Josiah Corpew where Maggie is a house guest of her aunt this week.

Mrs. Clifton Hollowell and daughter, Bonnie Jo, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mathews. Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Copeland and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Perry and son, Joel visited Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Whitbee Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ward and family motored to Elizabeth City Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Long spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Walton Lane.

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