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PEARL HARBOR

The Stars and Stripes were waving one bright December day. Over the waters of Pearl Harbor, in Hawaii, far away.

Our gallant lads not dreaming of peril near at hand Were thinking of their loved ones in the good old U. S. land.

And some, perhaps, were writing to loved ones back at home; To mothers, wives and sweet hearts across the ocean's foam.

Those noble lads, so full of life, of love and joyful breath; No'er dreaming that within the hour some would be cold in death.

When suddenly from out the sky there comes a dreadful sound. A treacherous foe flies overhead and bombs are dropping down. Oh noble boys of U. S. A. we think of you with pride.

You fought for your dear country and death her Prize you died.

To you who ought so bravely a'gainst such barbarous foes We have promised to avenge you as all the world now knows.

We'll keep Old Glory flying over all our lands so far.

We'll never forget Pearl Harbor and our boys who perished there—Belva Godwin Phillips.

January 12, 1942.

Mrs. Belva Godwin Phillips, author of the above poem, is the mother of Mr. Lane Phillips, manager of the local Rose & and 10c Store.

4-10-4 per acre. Then apply 100 lbs. of sulfate of soda or an equivalent amount of readily available nitro- gen from other sources when the crop is two feet high.

Varieties vary in the time of planting should begin the Piedmont section May 10.

Farmers Urged To Plant More Lespedeza Seed

Farmers of North Carolina are urged by E. Y. Floyd, state AAA executive assistant to make every effort to earn as many soil building payment units as possible this year by seeding lespedeza.

Floyd said field surveys show there is still a good supply of lespedeza seed in the hands of retail and wholesale dealers over the state and added that there is still time to seed the crop. Many farmers plant lespedeza over their small grains but many others also seed in the open field and this is the best time for such planting.

He said seeding lespedeza earns the farmer one-half unit .75 cents per acre toward soil building payments under the Agricultural Conservation Program.

This crop is one of the best adapted legumes for the state as a whole. It is fool-proof, and all small grain should be over-planted with lespedeza where possible.

Indications are that water soluble nitrogen will be short of demands about 50 to 60 percent this year and no one knows how short it will be in 1942, he said. By growing lespedeza, the farmer can produce for himself a large portion of the nitrogen needed for his crops.

He declared lespedeza is one of the best nitrogen gathering crops grown in the state, and that this crop is becoming more and more important with such a large volume of commercial nitrates going into the manufacture of munitions for war.

Sorghum Suggested For Sugar Shortage

Face to face with a sugar shortage North Carolina farm families would be wise to plant a sorghum patch this year, advises E. C. Blair, extension agronomist of N. C. State College.

Home needs should be supplied first, he said, but there may be some farmers who would like to do this cash money from the sale of their extra syrup.

Blair explained that the average yield in North Carolina is 70 gallons per acre. However, under good management, farmers have found it easy to secure 100 gallons, and yields of more than 400 gallons are on record.

In general, the agronomist pointed out, sorghum does well on any well-drained soil that is suitable for corn. Sandy loams and clay loams of medium to high fertility give the highest yields. Dark, heavy soils produce darker syrup than light-colored sandy soils.

Sorghum has shallow roots which draw water heavily on the top four or five inches of soil. For this reason it is advisable to apply stable manure or to grow a winter legume after the crop.

Good fertilizers for sorghum are: Piedmont section, 400 pounds of

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