

Farm Questions

Q.—What is a good mineral mixture for dogs on dried grass?

A.—P. H. Smith, nutritionist with the animal industry department of the State College Experiment Station, recommends equal parts of ground limestone, steamed bone-meal or defluorinated phosphate, and calcium salt. This mixture may be salt so that the pigs may take it at will. For self feeding, the mix and mixture may be made more tempting by placing a pound of beans or meat scrap to nine of the mixture.

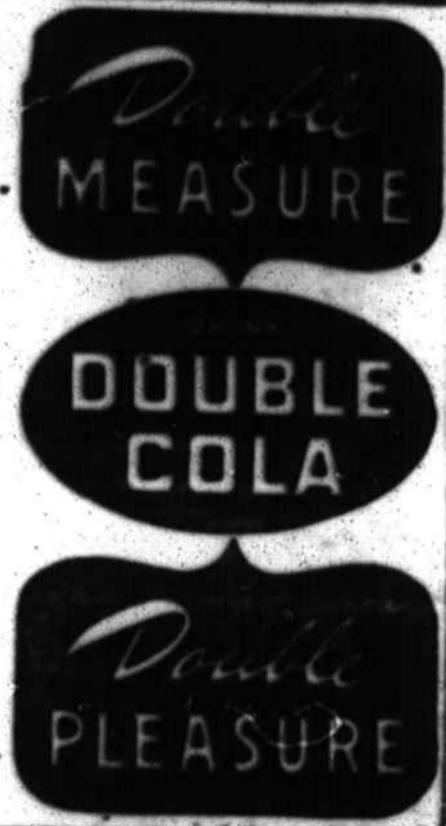
Q.—How can I remove shine from wool clothes?

A.—Handwashing and sponging are good treatments for removing shine from wool clothes in wartime clothing conservation, says Ruth Current, State home demonstration agent of the State College Extension Service. Clean the garment by sponging and then gently rough up the nap with fine-grade sandpaper. This helps to extinguish the shine and gives the garment a new lease of life.

Q.—What is the best time for top dressing grain?

A.—Applications made from Feb. 15 to March 15 usually give the best growth, say agronomists of the State College Extension Service. Late dressings usually do not increase growth or yields as much as those made during the indicated period. The agronomists recommend 100 to 200 pounds of nitrate of soda, 80 to 160 pounds of sulphate of ammonia, or 50 to 100 pounds of ammonium nitrate. On potash deficient soils, use 150 pounds of 10-6-10, or mix the nitrogen material with 50 pounds of muriate of potash for one acre. The agronomists suggest that growers get all of their fertilizers, including topdressers, as early as possible so as to help solve a variety of labor and transportation problems.

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FARM BRIEFS

The exercise the cook gives the dough affects both the shape and texture of baking powder biscuits, report research scientists. A little stretching usually produces the best biscuits.

More than a third of America's 6 million farms have been enrolled by their operators in the national soil conservation program.

The WPA announces that two-thirds of the meat available for all needs in 1944 has been allocated to U. S. civilians.

Winston-Salem and Charlotte have recently been placed in regulated areas for fluid milk conservation and control, announces the Food Distribution Administration.

About 440,000 cases of canned pork and beans will soon be released to civilian consumers, says a WPA announcement.

Farmers should always collect ration points when they sell or deliver pork off the farm, also beef, lamb and mutton, says Government officials.

In a twenty year old stand of pines, 512 trees were cut from the total of 570 per acre. After cutting 8 units of pulpwood and

6 cords of fuel wood, 258 choice crop trees were left, reports R. W. Graebner, in charge of Extension forestry at State College.

Herds of beef cattle in Buncombe, Henderson, Haywood and Macon counties are wintering nicely, reports L. L. Case, Extension animal husbandman at State College.

Pressure cookers for food preservation can now be bought without bothering to apply for a certificate from the local rationing board, report State College home economists.

Superphosphate for North Carolina farmers under the 1944 Agricultural Conservation Program will be available again this year, announces G. T. Scott, chairman of the State AAA Committee.

Culling out one fifth of the layers from the average farm flock will save about 10 percent on feed costs without sacrificing egg production, says C. F. Parrish, Extension poultryman at State College.



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