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Fall is a good time to apply lime for the coming year's crops, so a review of some of the different types of liming materials. may be of timely interest reminds County Extension Chairman H. R. Clapp.

Technically, a liming material is any material high in calcium (or calcium and magnesium) that has a neutralizing effect on soil acidity. There are a number of different liming materials avail-able, some of which are listed be. low along with their neutralizing equivalent:

Dolomitic limestone (agricultural limestone) Calcitic limestone 85-100 Burned (caustic, lime 150-175 Hydated lime 120-135 Burned oyster shells 90-110 50.90 Basic slag (8-10% P2O5) 50-70

The greater the neutralizing equivalent, the greater the neutralizing power or effect per pound of material.

Dolomitic limestone contains magnesium as well as calcium and is a good source o fthese important, essential nutrients says Mr. Clapp, Particle size is also a factor to consider in choosing a liming material. The more finely ound the material the quicker will reach and neutralize the soil acidity; however, all liming materials are required by law to be of a certain fineness in order to be sold as a liming material. Bulk lime that is stored out of doors often becomes wet. This moisture should be of no concern providing the material is dry enough to spread.

Mr. Clapp also points out that a soil test is necessary to determine the need for lime. Soil test liming suggestions are based on the neutralizing equivalent of dolomitic and agricultural limestones, the most commonly used materials, so if some other liming material is used, the amount applied should be adjusted according to its neutralizing equivalent.

Regardless of which liming material is used, be sure and keep your soils limed to optimum levels suggests Mr. Clapp. Liming is often overlooked, but is one of the most important steps in a good farming program.

Census Leaders Return To School

It will be back-to-school soon for key supervisory workers in the 1964 Census of Agriculture, according to Joseph R. Norwood, regional director for the U.S. reau of the Census at Char-

Census crew leaders will attend one of the 115 special training schools to be conducted throughout the country by the Census Bureau in connection with this year's farm census. At the schools, the crew leaders will learn how to organize, supervise, and control the agricultural census in their districts (usually one or two counties). Crew leaders are local men and women hired temporarily to work on the cen-

Their teachers will be Census Bureau employees from the regional office and from the Bureau's headquarters near Washington, D. C., and in some cases specialists from the U.S. Depart-ment of Agriculture. The special concentrated course in census enumeration will last four days and is part of the elaborate preparation necessary before an accurate count of the nation's farm production and resources can be made. In addition to the group training course, all crew leaders are required to take a 4-day home study course and a written examination before they qualify. The main task of crew leaders

is to recruit, train, and supervise a team of census enumerators in their home counties in time to take the census starting in No-

The Census of Agriculture is years ending in "4" and "9". Information collected in hte farm census is vital in making decisions affecting many segments of the U. S. economy. Data gathered include information on farm equipment and facilities, sales of farm products, and some production expenditures.

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