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Chopping And Baling Custom Rates Listed

Many farmers are now making plans for custom work with field choppers and balers. Some plan to hire work done and others will use their equipment to work for others.

A recent survey by B. R. Bookout and R. W. Christian, agricultural economists at Michigan State College, shows many of the common rates charged for custom field baling and chopping.

Most of the rates reported for field chopping were on an hourly basis. The rates varied with the amount of power and equipment furnished by the custom operator. One group of farmers furnished the field chopper and blower, one tractor and two wagons. The usual charge for this group was \$8.00 per hour for chopping hay, straw or corn for silage.

The next group were the custom operators who furnished the field chopper and blower, two tractors, two or three wagons and an extra man. The most common rate for this group was \$10.00 per hour.

For chopping corn for silage, a few farmers reported a charge per hour for the use of the chopper in the field. To this charge was added a rate per foot of silo height for the use of the equipment at the silo. The usual rates were \$6.00 per hour for the field work and \$1.00 to \$2.00 per foot, depending on silo width.

Automatic string the balers for haling hay or straw were charged for at 12-cents per bale without a towed wagon. Addition of the wagon added one cent per bale.



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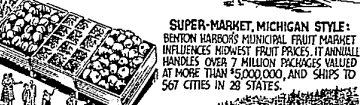
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Blossom-Removing Sprays End Hand Thinning Of Fruit Trees

Thinning fruit trees that have set a heavier crop than can be matured to good size is one of the annual expenses of the fruit grower. Every year some apple and peach varieties set too many fruit, and thinning becomes necessary.

C. A. Langner, Michigan State College extension horticulturist, says apples can be thinned by removing part of the blossoms with sprays of naphthalene acetic acid preparations such as App-L-Set and Endrop.

Sprays should be applied at the time the center or king blossoms are just shedding their petals. Temperatures prior to that time should have been favorable for bee activity and good pollination. With good weather the center blossom will already be set and the later blossoms will be removed by the spray.

Spray strength should vary with the varieties to be thinned. The naphthalene acetic acid materials used were prepared originally for purposes of preventing preharvest drop of apples. They should be used at the same strength recommended by the manufacturer or 10 parts per million for controlling fruit drop when thinning Jonathan, McIntosh and Northern Spy.

When thinning Grimes Golden, Hubbardston and Baldwin, sprays should be 1 1/2 times the manufacturer's recommendations or 15 parts per million. On Wealthy, Yellow Transparent, Golden Delicious and Duchess, they should be twice the manufacturer's recommendations, or 20 parts per million.

Hand labor can be saved in thinning peaches, too, says Langner. Peaches thin nicely with DN Dry Mix No. 1. It is recognized that injury to foliage from dinitro sprays

may occur under some conditions. However, many growers believe that the benefits derived from treatment greatly overbalance the risk. Possible danger of injury.

The spray should consist of 12 ounces of DN Dry Mix No. 1 per 100 gallons of water. Application should be made when 50 per cent of the blossoms are open and only after weather has been favorable for pollination.

Redhaven, Halehaven and South Haven are the varieties to thin if heavy bloom and good pollination weather prevail.

Caution must be used to be reasonably sure of a good set before applying thinning materials. Temperatures above 55 degrees from 24 to 48 hours will usually assure a good set of fruit.

For 200 years during the Middle Ages, most of the fighting was done by the knights, and townspeople did not participate.

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Good Methods Bring Best Beet Return

Maximum profits come from sugar beets when farmers choose good land for the crop and then plant sufficient amounts of seed, according to Richard Bell, Michigan State College farm extension specialist.

He recommends that four to five pounds of processed seed be used per acre to get a good stand. Sugar beets are very responsive to application of commercial fertilizer. The use of 400 to 600 pounds per acre of a complete fertilizer is justified for good returns.

For the 1949 crop season, Bell reports that the price outlook and labor supply are good for sugar beets. Government-subsidized labor wage rates are essentially the same as in 1948 and the use of more mechanical harvesters will ease the problems of harvest.

Although gross acreage contracted to date is greater than in 1948, the specialist advises there is still plenty of land and facilities for 20,000 or 30,000 more acres of beets in Michigan.

Since sugar beets are not a "surplus" crop, there is little danger of an overproduction.

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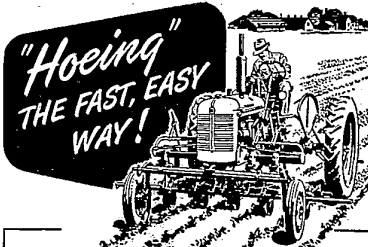
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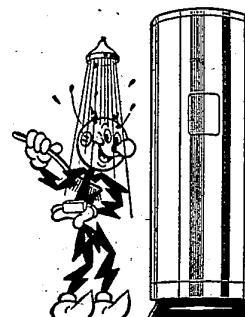


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