

USE OF FERTILIZER MAY BE PROFITABLE ON CORN CROP, REPORT FARM EXPERTS

Over the years the controversy as to whether or not to fertilize corn has been a big bone of contention to many farmers. For years many farmers have used fertilizer on corn and have reported excellent results. Experiment station scientists have said that fertilizer on corn will not pay when corn is in its proper place in the rotation.

This is one way to look at this controversial subject. Over a rotational period of time, four or five years, a rotation such as oats, hay, followed by corn, will require 700 to 1000 pounds of fertilizer over the four or five years for best, efficient growth and to lower the costs per bushel or ton of the crop grown.

Farmers who have not reported success in using fertilizers on corn are undoubtedly those who did not use enough fertilizers on the other crops in the rotation.

To realize the goal of 700 to 1000 pounds of fertilizer per acre in each rotation period of four to five years, it is recommended that 100 to 500 pounds be used on small grain, topdressing the hay crop, especially legume, with 200 pounds of superphosphate and using 150 to 250 pounds of fertilizer on corn. Totalled up, this will give the required amount of fertilizer which would be removed from the field by a corn, oat, hay rotation.

So the answer would be, then, that if 700 to 1000 pounds of fertilizer are applied in each four or five year rotation, corn need not be fertilized. If that amount is not used, corn should be fertilized.

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FARM NEWS

NEW FARM WHEAT PRICE SUPPORT NEEDS VIEWED

The Secretary of Agriculture has stated that it may become necessary to deplete wheat allotments in effect for wheat to be planted this fall. Walter R. Cook, Oakland County PMA committee chairman, pointed out this week.

Farms that have wheat planted now or harvested in 1953 or 1952 have been contacted by mail or by community workers recently and most of this information has been obtained.

However, farmers who have not been planting wheat but wish to plant wheat this fall and are desirous of being eligible for price support must have an allotment established for what is known as new wheat farms.

Anyone interested in obtaining an allotment should contact the Oakland County PMA committee, 320 Hubbard Building, 18 South Perry Street, in Pontiac, and make a statement in writing as to how much wheat allotment they desire to have and also give the reason they are planning on planting wheat this fall.

If any farmer is interested in the wheat situation, but does not understand the wheat price support program, the PMA office will be very glad to discuss those matters with him, either call at 320 Hubbard Building in person or phone FEderal 2-8333.

THINNING PEACHES WITH POLE PROVES EASIER METHOD

Pole thinning of peaches is fairly new. It is faster than hand thinning, also easier and less tiresome. The pole consists of an old broom handle cut off so that it measures 3 1/2 to 4 feet in length. A piece of garden hose or heater hose about 18 inches in length is attached to one end of the pole.

Thinning begins when the fruits are about the size of hickory nuts. The branch with the peaches on is hit a sharp blow. One blow may be enough. Leave a few more fruits on than you would by hand thinning because some of the peaches will remain on the limb only to fall off later. Peaches are thinned so that the fruits are about six inches apart on the branch.

When satisfied that a good job has been done with the pole, wait for three or four days and then finish the job by hand. The short waiting period is to allow any partially detached peaches to fall.

Moisture 'Sickens' Wheat In Storage To Cause Losses, Specialist Warns

Wheat is big business in Michigan — about \$75 million worth will be harvested this year, but disease can take a big chunk from this without the right precautions, warns a Michigan State College farm crops specialist.

Leighton V. Nelson, MSC extension farm crops specialist, says only dry wheat should be harvested and stored. Much of the damage found in storage comes from "border-line moisture". Wheat should contain less than 14 percent moisture when stored, Nelson explains. "Sick" wheat is hard to market to flour millers, and many farmers find their wheat worth less after storage because it has turned bad.

"Sick" wheat develops in storage and is due to too much moisture in the grain combined with warm weather. It does not develop in the field," Nelson explains. Its symptoms include moldy odor and discolored germ.

Wheat will turn bad in two weeks under some conditions. Although outwardly the grain may appear good, the "sick" condition can be seen by shaving the bran layer covering the germ and examining the color of the germ.

Low test weight is caused by lodging, low soil productivity and delayed harvest, Nelson says. Delayed harvest results in lower weight because the grain expands during wet weather and does not dry back to original size. Diseases like stinking smut decrease yields and cause poor quality grain.

Stinking smut is objectionable because of the unpleasant odor which can be passed along to flour and the black spores which discolor the flour.

STATE NAMES 25 LAKES FOR FISHING THE YEAR 'ROUND

If the yen for bass fishing is too much to contain, Mr. Angler, there are 25 lakes in Michigan where you can angle for bass or any kind of fish you like at any time, with no size or creel limits enforced.

The conservation department set such year-around, dream regulations in 1952 after it was learned that excessive fish mortality is often experienced in each of the lakes.

The lakes are shallow and in the winter, when covered with ice and snow, fish suffocate because of a lack of oxygen. In summer months, the waters often grow too warm to support much fish life and further mortality may occur.

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Crop Storing Will Pay, MSC Economist Asserts

A Michigan State College agricultural economist says there is a good chance that farmers will profit this year by storing their corn, oats, wheat, barley and rye. L. L. Boger says that prices for these crops likely will be below support levels at harvest time.

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