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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS COVERING SOILGRO

What is Soilgro? It is a scientific culture of various soil bacteria. What does it do? It changes the elements in or added to the soil into available plant food.

What effect has it on the plants? By increasing the available plant food, it promotes a sturdier and faster growth, better root development, more extensive yield and quicker maturity.

Can it be used on all kinds of plants? Yes, it may be used with advantage on trees, grains, vegetables, shrubs, flowers, lawns and pastures.

Must fertilizer be used with Soilgro? Not necessarily, but the function of Soilgro is to supply the bacteria necessary to make the plant food now in the soil available for use by the plant and the more added, in the way of fertilizer or manure, the better.

How often should it be applied? It cannot be applied too often. Once a season, but successive applications will tend to increase growth and hasten maturity.

Is humus necessary when Soilgro is used? Yes, humus is necessary as this provides sponges in the soil which retains moisture and no plant life will exist without moisture.

Must it be applied every year? It can be with advantage. Under favorable conditions the bacteria build a reserve supply of plant food but if the plants are assimilating it and increasing their productivity rapidly, it is advisable to provide all the food they may require.

How should Soilgro be mixed? Empty the bacteria food first and pour contents of Soilgro can onto it and then add five times the amount of the Soilgro can, of clear water, (rain water preferable, but not necessary.) Stir well and cover with cheese cloth or mosquito netting. Let stand in a warm shady spot for five days. Do not expose to the direct rays of the sun as sun rays affect the life of bacteria.

Why do you have to mix it as directed? This releases the bacteria from captivity in air tight cans and provides food on which they thrive and multiply.

Can part of contents only be mixed? Yes, but it is better to mix it all at one time as it keeps better in that form.

Does Soilgro have a disagreeable smell? Only when first opened. As soon as the harmless gases that have formed in the can come in contact with the air, this odor immediately disperses.

Does it smell when applied to a lawn? No. How long will it keep after mixing? From six to eight months.

Will mixture evaporate? Not to any great extent.

Why should the mixture be covered with cheese cloth? Because mosquitoes and other insects eat the bacteria.

Why should Soilgro be applied in the evening or on a cloudy day? Because the direct rays of the sun will kill the bacteria before they have a chance to work into the soil.

Who discovered Soilgro? Dr. J. E. Davis, Ph.D., a Canadian chemist and bacteriologist.

Is it a new principle? No, it is rather a perfected method. Bacteria cultures have been used on legumes such as alfalfa, clover, vetches, beans, etc., for the past 15 or more years.

What is the advantage of Soilgro over other culture? It is cheaper, easier to apply and is adaptable to all kinds of crops, while other cultures are for specific crops only.

Is there more than one kind of bacteria in Soilgro? Yes, numerous others serving a specific purpose.

What are the different kinds of bacteria in Soilgro? Different groups of nitrogen fixing, ammonifying, nitrifying and decomposition bacteria.

Is Soilgro poisonous? No, it is not injurious to any living thing.

Can Soilgro be used on all kinds of soil? Yes, it improves any soil.

How much Soilgro should be used to inoculate seed? Enough to thoroughly moisten it.

Where may Soilgro be obtained? From the Soilgro Selling Agency, 176 Kent Street, Charlottetown; Murdoch MacKinnon, Manager.

Three Spinners COLOR CUT-OUTS



ALL ENDS WELL

This is the last part of the famous fairy tale. "The Three Spinners." Children who have cut out and saved the paper dolls will have the whole story to act out. Watch for a new story next week.

"Forgive me, good mother," the prince said to the first spinner, "but why is your foot so broad?"

"From treading the thread, my son; from treading the thread."

The prince looked worried. He turned to the second spinner. "And you, good mother," he said, "why does your lip hang down?"

"From wetting the thread, my son; from wetting the thread."

"The prince grew frightened. "And you, why is your thumb so broad?"

"From pressing and twisting. From pressing and twisting."

Then the prince turned pale indeed. "If this is what comes of spinning," he swore, "never shall my bride touch flax again."

And so it was. Never was the girl again allowed even to look at a spinning wheel. And you will be very sure that she was not sorry. (Copyright, 1925, Associated Editors, Inc.)

PRESIDENT'S REPORT OF SHERBROOKE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

There were twelve regular meetings held during the year with an average attendance of fifteen members and four visitors. In connection with our regular January meeting, we held a social jointly with the Sherbrooke Entertaining Club with an attendance of fifteen members and forty-five visitors. (These visitors are not counted in the average attendance of visitors.)

EMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK

Ottawa, April 28 (C.P.)—There was a slight increase in employment at the beginning of April, according to 5,830 firms who reported an aggregate payroll of 718,524 persons to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. On March 1 the improvements, though not pronounced especially interesting because in the past four years employment has shown a decline at this time of the year. The index number on April 1, 1925, stood at 87.2, as compared with 87.0 in the preceding month, and with 89.3 on April 1, 1924; 87.6 in 1923; 86.6 in 1922, 84.1 in 1921. The outstanding changes in the situation at the beginning of April were marked gains in manufacturing and heavy seasonal contractions in logging. Other industries showed a generally upward movement.

A Bean Supper was also held in aid of the Hall, with proceeds amounting to \$30.90. The Institute also provided 25 new chairs and six Rays lamps. Two stoves, one heater and one range were donated by two members.

With one exception, a committee of two visited the school each month. Pictures were framed and hung in the School at a cost of \$4.00. Two maps were repaired, soap and Dutch Cleanser supplied, also two treats for the school children—ice-cream and cake in June and candy and nuts in December.

A box of goods valued at \$13.00, and donated by different members, was sent to Mount Herbert Orphanage. Three quilts and \$5.00 for wood were given a poor family.

During the year there were five roll calls, three papers, which included Mrs. Crocker's address and the report of the Red Cross Society was also read.

The membership at the beginning of the year was 25. We were sorry to lose four of our members who moved away from the district. But we are glad to welcome two new members to our club which leaves us a membership of 24.

Agnes Reilly President.

SHE CARRIES A CANE

There will be a fellow feeling established at once between Miss Glenna Collett, great American woman golfer, now in England seeking fresh laurels, the English sportswomen. For Miss Collett carries a cane. Not only that, but she carries it as though she were used to it. Many American women carry canes, but usually they do so in the same manner as new Knight Templar manages his sword.

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JOHN YOUNG, OF SYDNEY, HEADS

Elected Governor of 32nd District -- Delegates at the Yarmouth Conference Spend Busy Day.

YARMOUTH, April 30. — John Young, of Sydney, was elected district governor of the 32nd District International Rotary for the coming year, at the annual conference held here yesterday.

Visiting Rotarians arose early and had two breakfast sessions, consisting of the club presidents and club secretaries.

The conference began its business at 9.15, with District Governor G. Prescott Baker presiding. Communications and announcements were made by the secretary of the conference, Karl W. Baker, of Yarmouth. This was followed by reports from various special committees.

"Rotary and the Crippled Child," was the subject of a fifteen-minute address by Pearl O. Soule, of the Halifax Club. This was followed by an address by David M. Bald, of St. John's Club, dealing with the boy's survey, when and how it should be made. "Service and Selfishness" was the theme taken by Rev. David G. Ross, of the Kentville Club. Rev. H. Haslam, of Trinity Church, Yarmouth, spoke on Rotary education. Other addresses were "Playgrounds," by W. G. Atkinson, of the Moncton Club and "Farther North," by Wesley McDonald, of Campbellton. A message of greeting from the Charlottetown club was given by the delegates from that club.

Following the report of the credentials committee, nominations were opened for the election of district governor, which resulted in the election of John Young, of the Sydney club.

Canada, East and West.

The feature of the afternoon's session was the stirring address given by A. M. Belding, of the St. John club, on the subject, "Canada, East and West." Mr. Belding said that while he heard something of recession in Nova Scotia, he wanted to remind those present that confederation had been constituted by the Imperial parliament and was in accord with the wishes of the leading statesmen of that day. It could be changed only with the consent of all the Canadian people, which might be impossible to obtain. He stressed the hearty reception that he had received when he visited other parts of Canada and found the people of the upper provinces most sympathetic towards the Maritime Provinces in their present difficulties. While he might not be able to suggest any practical solution for all the difficulties under which the east was

laboring, he had a firm confidence that a solution could and would be found by our statesmen or business men, whenever the problem was rightly approached and handled. Mr. Belding said that, without their highly developed waterpowers and central location, it was exceeding difficult for Nova Scotian manufacturers to compete with those of the upper provinces. Some policy must be devised that would encourage and develop our natural industries, such as fishing, mining, farming and lumbering. In whatever policy that was eventually devised, there must be a good deal of give and take.

Patriotism. Following Mr. Belding's address, Ex-Governor Spangler, of St. John, spoke of the necessity of all children being instilled with the principles of patriotism. In particular, he referred to those children of parents born in other countries. In the United States all school children were taught what the flag of their country stood for.

John R. Bentley, director of International Rotary, gave a brief summary up of the work of the present conference and complimented those who had been in charge of the arrangements. The formal adjournment was preceded with the singing of the Rotary parting song "We are Nearing the End of a Rotary Day."

Following the adjournment, many of the visiting Rotarians took part in the golf competition for the cup presented by the Yarmouth Rotary Club. They engaged in a bowling contest in the Y. M. C. A.

The conference dinner was given in the Grand Hotel.

IMPROVEMENT OF NEGLECTED LAND

(Experimental Farms Note)

Experiments with several different treatments for the improvement of poor or neglected land were undertaken at Charlottetown in 1914.

When noxious weeds, including ox-eye-daisy and yarrow, are present a three year rotation of potatoes, grain, clover may be used to advantage.

Can clover be grown on land that has been neglected for years? Yes, it can. One successful method is to cut over the land to be improved early in July, or before the weeds form seed. After the first soaking rain plough to 4 inches, then use the deep and roll the same day. Cultivate occasionally throughout the summer to destroy weeds and improve the tilth of the soil. Ridge up late in the autumn to give the frost a better chance to do its beneficial work.

Level the land, as soon as it is ready to work the following spring, with the spring-tooth harrow driven first lengthwise of the drills and then anglewise. Then use the "double angle" cut to reduce the difficulty of turning. Prepare the land thoroughly for potatoes and apply broadcast 1360 pounds of a 5-5-5 mixture of chemicals or 1600 pounds of mixed fertilizer with about that formula. Use certified seed and take the necessary precautions to insure that the crop will meet the requirements for certification, by controlling weeds, insects and diseases.

Sow grain the second year and

seed with 10 pounds of timothy and at least 8 pounds of red clover and 2 pounds of alsike clover, working the land without ploughing to provide tilth fine enough for the germination of the grass seed. Treat the clover seed with nitrochlorine. This addresses the grain when it appears with a light dressing of manure. Cut the clover hay the third year before July 20th so that the ox-eye-daisy will not form seed. Plough the clover sod soon after haymaking and repeat the three year rotation several times. This way be sprouted and killed and the land will become productive.

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HE MANAGED THIS LITTLE AFFAIR HIMSELF - Glasgow Bulletin.

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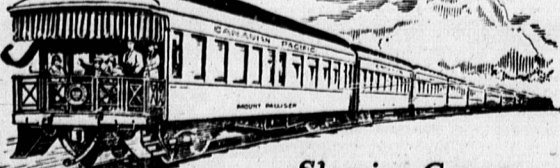
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Canadians in London

THE OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR CANADA IN LONDON WEEK BY WEEK

April 16th, 1925.

The Imperial War Graves Commission, 82, Baker Street, London W. 1. has notified the High Commissioner for Canada that their Enquiry Bureau, hitherto maintained at various towns in France and Belgium, are now being closed down. Relatives and others who intend to visit War Cemeteries, etc. therefore, requested to ascertain in advance, from the Commission, the exact location of the graves they wish to visit, or to confirm records already in their possession.

The Commission is, of course, maintaining its staff of Area Superintendents, and gardeners will continue to attend to the horticultural needs of the cemeteries. A printed register, or one in manuscript, of the graves, will be found in a convenient position for inspection at all cemeteries.

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misunderstanding as to the nature of the certificates to be issued under the regulations of the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, respecting use of hay, straw and other fodder for packing merchandise to be shipped to Canada. Stops have been taken to furnish Veterinary Officers in the United Kingdom with specimens of certificates approved by the Department.

A Canadian lady has enquired at the office of the High Commissioner for information regarding the regulations governing the admission into Canada of a young lion which was captured on a recent hunting expedition.

The Canadian Trade Commissioner in Glasgow has recently sent to interested people in Canada, and for publication in the Commercial Intelligence Journal, reports concerning the development in recent years of silver fox farms in Scotland. The reports were prepared in answer to several inquiries from the Dominion for information on the subject. Of course this industry is, and has been since the early 'neties, firmly established in Prince Edward Island, where it has created fortunes for some of the people. It is only during the past two or three years that it has been taken up in this country, and now at least five farms, and probably more, are in existence in Scotland, and no doubt others in England as well. The last shipment of these valuable animals from Canada to Scotland, so far as known, was in December last when one of these valuable animals in Glasgow for the Saitoun Fur Farm Co., Ltd., at Saitoun, East Lothian.

POTASSIUM IODIDE AND ITS SIGNIFICANCE IN THE FEEDING OF LIVE STOCK (Experimental Farms Note.)

It has been well known that potassium iodide is one of the most useful drugs in connection with the treatment of many animal diseases. As a preventative to several common ailments with different classes of stock, it has a peculiar significance.

1. For the prevention of hairless litters the following procedure may give good results where trouble of such nature is common or where it may be anticipated.—Dissolve 1 ounce potassium iodide in 1 gallon of water. In the feed of each program sow mix one tablespoonful of this solution per day.

2. For the prevention of goitre in lambs in districts where this affection is prevalent, the drug has given wonderfully certain results. The following plan is suggested:—Spread 100 pounds of thoroughly dry salt evenly and in a thin layer on a clean floor. Dissolve 6 to 8 ounces of potassium iodide in warm water, using the minimum amount of water required to dissolve the drug. Sprinkle or spray this solution over the layer of salt which, if it is thoroughly dry, will take up the liquid; then mix thoroughly. Place this iodized salt before the ewes where they may have access to it during the winter months and top up until lambing. Another plan not so practicable is to apply some 30 drops of tincture of iodine to the skin of the ewe every 2 weeks during pregnancy. The wool should be carefully parted, so that the fluid may be certain to reach the skin. It may thus be absorbed and a different part of the body should be treated each time.

3. For pregnant mares potassium iodide apparently gives good results as a preventative to joint ill in foals and seemingly has an effect on foal weaknesses generally. Dissolve half a teaspoonful of potassium iodide in a small quantity of water and administer this daily during the pregnancy. Another plan is to use similarly one level teaspoonful of the drug twice monthly, say on the first and fifteenth. The former method is probably the safer. This treatment should be applied during the winter months of pregnancy, beginning with say November. Good results may be anticipated.

4. For pregnant cows potassium iodide is recommended and may be fed with the salt as per directions given for the feeding of this drug to ewes. While potassium iodide used in this way should not be considered as a preventative of abortion, results would indicate that it has a desirable effect on the system from the standpoint of normal calving later on. In cases where trouble is prevalent in the herd, the adoption of this treatment is to be recommended, although results might not be apparent for a year or two.

Where stockmen have experienced difficulty during this season particularly with hairless litters and goitred lambs, the use of potassium iodide should be kept in mind for another season.

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