

Nitrogen Still Scarce; Prompt Orders Advised

A less plentiful supply of nitrogen fertilizer this year, than any time during the past three years is predicted by Arthur S. King, soils specialist of the U.S.C. extension service, even though production is greater than ever before and there is no longer any diversion for war purposes.

"Farmers are using more fertilizer and available supplies are falling far short of demand," King explains. "The shortage of fertilizer is not confined to any one section of this country. It is world wide."

As to straight nitrogen fertilizers, however, the northwest is in a more favorable position than any other section of the country, according to King. The government-owned fertilizer plant at Salem, now operated under lease by the Columbia Metals Corporation, has been a big factor in maintaining supply in this area.

To assist the plant at Salem in planning production schedules and for protection to themselves, growers and dealers will be wise in ordering fertilizer supplies this year well in advance of actual need, King states.

Originally the production of this plant was earmarked by the government for use by farmers in the three northwest states of Oregon, Washington and Idaho. This limitation no longer exists, King states, but company officials have indicated desire to supply local needs first.

While ammonium sulfate has been available in substantial quantities in this area through the Salem plant, in the south and



GREATER RATIONS—OR CEASE OPERATIONS—Ruhr workers, some of estimated 15,000 who demonstrated at Essen, Germany, for larger food allowances, bear signs reading "We want to eat so that we can work." German leaders in the Ruhr, demanding that coal surpluses be shipped to Holland and Belgium in exchange for food and that no coal be shipped from the Ruhr until food is assured, threaten a general walkout of 4,000,000 men. A total of 75,000 are already out. —Acme Telephoto

east the only nitrogen available to farmers has been in the form of complete fertilizers. Where only nitrogen is needed, the cost of complete fertilizers is several times that of straight nitrogen alone.

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Woman Active As She Nears 110

WATWALLOPEN, Pa., Jan. 22.—(AP)—Attributing her longevity simply to the "will of God," Mrs. Mary O'Neil, believed to be the oldest woman in Pennsylvania, prepared today to observe her 110th birthday next Monday.

Still active and mentally alert, Mrs. O'Neil joked with newsmen and photographers who climbed a half-mile snow-covered country hill to reach the modest home where she lives with a grand daughter and grandson.

Mrs. O'Neil bakes her own bread, helps with the housework and does a little sewing. She neither reads nor writes, has only a passing interest in radio but spends her time looking out over the beautiful river valley beside her hillside home and, when weather permits, takes short walks.

She has no special eating habits, although she says she is especially fond of wild rabbit pie. She has an egg daily, sometimes with a strip of bacon, is fond of bread and butter and drinks only tea. She is a native of Yorkshire, England.

Asked if she misses her native England, Mrs. O'Neil said "no, I am contented here although I would like to see Yorkshire again."

REPORT OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOUGLAS COUNTY, STATE OF OREGON, FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1947													
Clerk's Bal.	Taxes Paid	County Fund	Other Payments	Land Sales	Transfers	Total	Warrants Issued	Cash Payments	Transfers	Total	Clerk's Bal.	Outstanding Warrants	Treasurer's Dec. 31, 1947
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General County Funds	200,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	200,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	200,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	200,000.00
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