



Spineless, Fruit-Bearing Cactus

In a recent State test, alfalfa produced milk showed an increase of 10 pounds when the average increase per day.

The cactus has a taste between the raspberry and the pineapple, is digestible either with or without cooking, and can be used as the most economical, jams and preserves.

The improved spineless cactus is even alfalfa in fruit and equals the alfalfa in furnishing food for human consumption.

The alfalfa produces 100 tons per acre,

while the spineless cactus has shown its ability to produce from 50 to 100 tons or more per acre for forage, while the fruiting cactus on good soils has been found to produce more than 150,000 pounds of delicious fruit to the acre.

Mr. Burbank does not claim that spineless cactus is new. In fact, he states distinctly that this is the original form in which cactus was to be found ages ago, and that even through the ages there have been some forms of cactus which have remained absolutely spineless.

But these spineless forms were so small and so unproductive as to be almost valueless.

What he did was to take the large, rapid-growing desert form back through evolution until he

reproduced it in spineless form and fixed this characteristic so that it reproduces this form automatically.

The cactus grows like a dense grove and will thrive from the Carolinas clear around the coast of the United States to Puget Sound. It likes a mild climate and can withstand drought for as long as ten years. It grows as well on the desert as its spiny forefathers grew and produces amazing results upon worn-out farm lands, where nothing else will grow.

Already thousands of acres have been planted to this new forage and fruit crop not only in the United States, but in almost every foreign country, Australia, perhaps, being in the lead.



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