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Vegetables

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Harvest vegetables often to obtain a greater production of good quality produce. Green beans, cucumbers, tomatoes, melons and peppers will bear longer if they are picked just as soon as the fruit is ready for use. Don't let the fruit become over ripe.

Small green tomato-like fruits on your potato plants are a natural phenomenon with some potato varieties. It is not the result of tomatoes crossing with potatoes. These fruits are of no use to the gardener. They are not edible.

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Fruits

University of Minnesota horticulturists report that some raspberry plantings have become infected with virus diseases.

The most distinct symptoms on the raspberry plants are mottling, yellowing and crinkling of the leaves, which result in a weakened and often stunted plant. The fruit is generally dry, seedy, crumbly and often worthless. To control the disease, remove infected plants and all plants within three feet of them. Remove wild raspberries and blackberries from the vicinity of cultivated raspberries. It is well to remember that once a plant is infected it remains infected. Plants propagated from it will be infected also.

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Heavy Crop

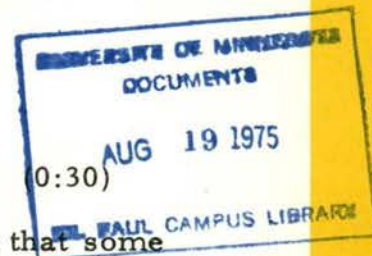
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If those apple and pear trees have set an excessively heavy crop of fruit, you can still prevent late-season limb breakage. First, remove all but one fruit from the most heavily loaded fruit clusters. Then, support the heavily loaded branches with wooden props.

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