

Our LAND



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Cattle Utilize Roughage -- Buying cattle in the fall to graze on pastures the following year makes it possible to utilize roughages, including soil-building crops, that would otherwise be unmarketable, points out A. L. Harvey, professor of animal husbandry at the University of Minnesota.

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Order Trees Now -- Soil conservation district cooperators should order trees now for delivery next spring. Your district gets the trees from SCS nurseries on the basis of fall orders by cooperators. Jack Pine, Red Pine and White Pine are available and are furnished for woodlot and erosion control free of charge. Wherever practical, plow land in the fall that is to be spring-planted. The first few months is a critical time for young trees. Don't make it tougher by forcing them to compete with grass for moisture. Grass and weeds do the same damage to young trees that they do to corn.

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Stopping Fires Everybody's Job -- Parker Anderson, extension forester at the University of Minnesota, urges all citizens of the state to become active partners with federal and state forestry and conservation agencies this fall in helping prevent forest fires in order not only to conserve soil and water but to bolster Minnesota's future economy.

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Livestock Farming Saves the Land -- "Livestock farming is the surest route to land protection and high production", said Dr. Robert Salter, chief of the U. S. Soil Conservation Service, when he spoke at the annual Livestock and the Land Institute at Albert Lea recently. He did point out, however, that grain farming, handled correctly, need not wear out the soil. The first requirement for soil conservation in this area is the restocking of our land with organic matter and nitrogen and improvement of soil structure, he stated. "If this is done, total corn production can be increased while reducing acreage".

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