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DO YOU HAVE MY NUT CATALOGUE?

If not, drop me a line for a copy of the 1925 catalogue. I shall probably not get out a new one this year and there will be no change in prices of the trees.

FALL PLANTING

My hardy Pennsylvania grown nut trees can be as safely planted in the fall as any other hardy deciduous trees and I recommend fall planting and practice it myself. We plant here up to Xmas usually. Fall shipping begins the latter part of October and runs into January.

Fall planting has several advantages over spring planting. In the fall months one usually has more time to do the work and the ground is usually in better condition for planting than in the early spring. Fall planting, to, does not call for such particular work, as the late fall and winter rains with the subsequent freezing and thawing settles the earth solidly around the roots of the trees so that, by the time spring comes, conditions are right for an early start and maximum growth of the tree. Winter protection, if thought necessary, is easily given by wrapping the trees with old burlap bags or other protecting covering.
GRAFTED NUT TREES STILL IN SHORT SUPPLY

As announced last season I am again increasing the nut trees, but as it takes several years to produce the grafted trees from the planting of nuts and one year trees, it will be several years before an adequate supply will be available. Any one wishing even a small lot will do well to get their orders in soon to be at all sure of getting what they want. Orders placed now can be held till spring if wanted.

THE STATUS OF COMMERCIAL PLANTING

Interest in the commercial planting of nuts has been greatly stimulated the past three years by small plantings and some young orchards coming into bearing. Trees of the Black and English Walnuts especially have made remarkable growth in many instances under average orchard culture and are producing fruit earlier than the apple trees. In my test orchard here, small one year trees of the English Walnut planted in 1914 have borne this year as much as two bushels of fine nuts. This, with practically no attention to the trees, the land between the trees having been cropped to corn and potatoes up to this year. One tree, back of my residence, planted 1913 bore four bushels of nuts this year. The 12 year trees are planted 24 feet apart. Eventually they will have to be thinned out, but figuring the crop on the basis of the best trees, (a large list of varieties were planted for testing) and at local wholesale prices for the nuts, this years crop would run about $1,500.00 per acre. This is not safe figuring, but we will cut it in two and we still have a crop worth $750.00 per acre on 12 year trees.

This figure will cover the first cost of the land and trees, interest and taxes, and all cost of growing the orchard and still leave a good balance, to say nothing of the farm crops from the land and previous Crops of nuts. Some of these trees have been bearing since they were three years old. The crop will increase rapidly from this time on as the trees gain size and age. The members of the Northern Nut Growers Ass'n. in convention here at Lancaster, September 14th to 16th, inspected the trees in this little test orchard and along the fence rows, also the trees at the Rush place which were also heavily loaded with nuts.

Had I taken my own advice and planted this little farm, valuable though the land is, when I planted this little test orchard to nuts, I would now have a better income and a much easier job. I could, if I wished, take a trip to Europe occasionally instead of having to stick around and answer long letters from those who are seemingly interested in nuts, but many of whom never plant for one reason or another. Some of these, I imagine, are waiting till we get the perfect nut! They will of course never plant. We have been growing apples and peaches a long time but the perfect apple or peach is still a long way off!

I have spent considerable time and money looking up new nuts—so have a number of others, and the Northern Nut Growers Ass'n. has done still more. For several years they have been offering liberal prizes for nuts better than we already have but without getting them. We have most excellent nuts in all the leading species and we now know the trees will bear profitable crops. Is there any sound reason then for any one waiting longer? Each year sees a larger number of people planting orchards. Last year the bulk of my out-put went for commercial plantings. This year I have already sold several such. Commercial nut planting is really getting under way and I feel that my efforts and those of several other members of the Northern Nut Growers Association in agitating planting, has not been in vain.
PRICES OF TREES, FALL 1926

PECAN TREES—2 to 3 feet tall, $2.00 each; $20.00 per dozen.
  " " —3 to 4 feet tall, 2.25 each; 22.50 per dozen.
  " " —4 to 5 feet tall, 2.50 each; 25.00 per dozen.
  " " —5 to 7 feet tall, 3.00 each; 30.00 per dozen.

ENGLISH WALNUT TREES—2 to 3 feet tall, $2.00 each; $20.00 per dozen.
  " " —3 to 4 feet tall, 2.25 each; 22.50 per dozen.
  " " —4 to 5 feet tall, 2.50 each; 25.00 per dozen.
  " " —5 to 6 feet tall, 3.00 each; 30.00 per dozen.

BLACK WALNUT TREES—2 to 3 feet tall, $2.00 each; $20.00 per dozen.
  " " —3 to 4 feet tall, 2.25 each; 22.50 per dozen.
  " " —4 to 5 feet tall, 2.50 each; 25.00 per dozen.
  " " —5 to 7 feet tall, 3.00 each; 30.00 per dozen.

SHAGBARK HICKORY TREES—1½ to 2 feet tall, $2.00 each; $20.00 per doz.
  " " —2 to 3 feet tall, 2.25 each; 22.50 per doz.
  " " —3 to 4 feet tall, 2.50 each; 25.00 per doz.
  " " —4 to 5 feet tall, 3.00 each; 30.00 per doz.

HEART NUT TREES—3 to 4 feet tall, $2.75 each; $27.50 per doz.
  " " —4 to 5 feet tall, 3.00 each; 30.00 per doz.
  " " —5 to 6 feet tall, 3.25 each; 32.50 per doz.
  " " —6 to 7 feet tall, 3.50 each; 35.00 per doz.

FILBERT PLANTS, TRANSPLANTED—1 to 2 ft. tall, $1.00 ea.; $10.00 per doz.
  " " —2 to 3 ft. tall, 1.50 ea.; 15.00 per doz.
  " " —3 to 4 ft. tall, 2.00 ea.; 20.00 per doz.

Dr. W. C. Deming, President of the Northern Nut Growers Association “snapped” while admiring a young Wiltz Mayette Walnut Tree here during the convention of the N. N. G. A., September 14th to 16th. The photo does not show the nuts very well, but the trees bore an excellent crop of extra fine nuts.
PECANS: Busseron, Indiana, Butterick, Niblack, Greenriver and Marquardt.

ENGLISH WALNUTS: Mayette and Franquette only.

BLACK WALNUTS: Thomas, Ohio and Stabler.

FILBERTS: Barcelona, English, DuChilly and Aveline.

SHAGBARKS: Beaver, Laney, Siers and Fairbanks.

HEART NUT: Lancaster, Bates, Faust and Ritchey.

The Westtown School, Westtown, Pa., planted an orchard of my grafted black walnuts 1922, and put in early bearing apple trees of the Wealthy variety as fillers. The walnut trees are much larger and bearing much better than the apple trees. We counted 123 nuts on one of the walnut trees and most of them were fruiting, while few of the apples were bearing and most of these had only a few specimens of fruit on them. The photo on the left, with Mr. Harry R. Weber, Ex-President of the Northern Nut Growers Association, Cincinnati, Ohio., in the foreground, shows one of the Thomas Black Walnut trees and the one on the right shows one of the largest apple trees, taken the same distance from the camera. This shows Mr. J. P. Edgerton, the Western Orchard man, in the foreground.