

Apartment Gardening

Growing your own vegetables is one way of combating the food price dilemma. But you don't need a large backyard to grow vegetables - just a balcony, a porch or a sunny windowsill.

A few seeds planted in containers will provide delicious fresh food and save you money as well. All you need, says Dr. Charles Dunham, extension hor-

ticulturist at the University of Delaware, are some soil, seeds or seedlings, and the sun.

Vegetables can grow in any type of containers - a bucket, box, tub or pot will do. A large wooden tub or window box is probably best if you plan to grow larger vegetables such as tomatoes, peppers or cucumbers. Radishes, chives and other

small vegetables can be grown in small 6 to 10 inch diameter pots.

Proper drainage is an important step in planting a mini-garden. Three or four holes drilled in the bottom of a tub, for instance, should be sufficient. It isn't necessary, but to help excess water drain out, a half inch of gravel in the bottom is a good idea.

Next, fill the container with a soil mix. Dunham recommends using a ready-mix peat type medium such as Peatlite, Redearth, Fromix, etc. This material will provide good moisture-retention without waterlogging and is much lighter in weight than regular soil.

If you decide to raise tomatoes, peppers or eggplants, it is best to start them indoors in small peat pots or peat pellets. Transplant them into outdoor containers for balcony use only after they are well-started and all danger of frost is past. Some seeds can be started directly in the container.

Leafy vegetables can stand more shade than root vegetables, and root vegetables more shade than plants that produce fruit-like tomatoes or eggplants. So position containers accordingly.

Proper watering is the next most important factor in the success of your minigarden. Vegetables should get the equivalent of about one inch of rain every week during their growing season. During hot, dry weather, you may need to water your minigarden three or more times a week. Watch that you don't over water; you can kill the plants.

When the soil becomes dry to the depth of half an inch, provide enough water to saturate this area. If you put containers outdoors during the summer, they may need water every other day. After plants are established, feed them with a liquid fertilizer once a week.

Avoid wetting the foliage if

possible, especially if you water late in the evening. Wet leaves encourage plant diseases.

Apartment dwellers have a wide choice of plants they can grow, says Dunham. Tomatoes, peppers, and cucumbers yield a lot of produce in a small space. Lettuce is a quick crop that can be grown in the same container with later vegetables, as can onion sets or scallions. Swiss chard is an excellent green that can be harvested all summer.

Many vegetables make beautiful ornamentals, besides providing good fresh produce. There are at least a half-dozen good patio tomatoes. Small Fry, Tiny Tim, Basket Pak, Pixie and Presto, or any of the plum tomato varieties will do well. Most tomato plants will need some pruning and staking

Conestoga Crusadors 4-H Club

A meeting of the Conestoga Crusadors 4-H Horse and Pony Club was held recently at the home of Mrs. Nancy Jenkins. During the meeting handbooks were distributed to the members and future fund raising projects were discussed.

Jill Taylor lead in a game of "What are you" followed by a demonstration on wrapping a horse leg given by Margy Alexander and Julie Jenkins.

The next meeting will be held on March 21, at the home of Jodi Alexander.

Robin Shopf
News Reporter

MEAT

Thin steaks from the tender cuts, even in the higher grades, usually are best pan broiled or pan fried. Broil those Prime and Choice loin and rib steaks when they are one-inch or more thick. Steaks and roasts from the less tender cuts should be braised or pot roasted.

grown this way.

Cucumbers are another good minigarden vegetable. Disease-resistant hybrids should be selected such as Burpee Hybrid and Marketmore 70; both are good varieties. With cucumbers, you will also need some kind of trellis support.

"Minigardens for Vegetables," G163, is a useful U.S. Department of Agriculture bulletin, which you can obtain by calling the Agricultural Editor's Office in Newark, 738-2500, or by writing to Mail Room, Agricultural Hall, University of Delaware, Newark, DE 19711.

PUBLIC SALE OF FARM EQUIPMENT

Six miles South of Chambersburg, PA, one mile East of Marion, just East of Marion Exit, Rte. 914 on:

THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 1975

Sale at 9:30 A.M.

75 TRACTORS
CONST. EQUIPT. — TRUCKS

Tractors including John Deere, Farmalls, Massey Ferguson, Fords, Case, Oliver and various other makes, some with loaders; crawlers, backhoes, trucks, lawn and garden tractors.

BALERS, CHOPPERS, PICKERS, ETC.

Balers of all kinds, some with throwers, forage and flail choppers; blowers, elevators, one and two row pickers, spreaders, wagons, haybines, mowers, rakes, conditioners, planters, drills, grinder-mixers, rotary cutters, blades, loaders, posts, hardware and usual run of equipment.

FARMERS & DEALERS — Bring in your equip. for this sale. Small items must be in early as we can handle limited amount. Next Sale - Thursday, April 17. We expect a load of twine soon.

Terms, Cash; Lunch at Sale; Closed Sundays.

RALPH W. HORST

Sale Manager

Marion, PA 17235

Phone (717) 375-2824

PUBLIC SALE

SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 1975

AT 10:00 A.M. SHARP

FARM EQUIPMENT, DAIRY EQUIPMENT, TOOLS, ETC.

Due to the undersigned having sold farms, will have Public SALE on the premises, located off Rte. 30 at Abbottstown, PA, one [1] mile Northwest to SALE in Adams County, the following:

4 TRACTORS 4

1972 Allis Chalmers 180 Diesel wide front end, fully equip, 502 hrs.; Allis Series 9000 5-bottom 16" plows, 3-pt.; Allis Chalmers WD45; Allis 4-bottom 14" semi-mounted plow; Allis Chalmers "C" wide front end and 2-row cultivators; JD "B" tractor; JD No. 44 2-bottom 14" plows, hydraulic lift, on rubber; also New Idea loader for "B" or "M" & "H" Farmall; JD 494 4-row corn planter w-large boxes; JD Model FBA 13-7 disc grain drill; JD 15-A flail chopper; New Idea No. 30 trail mower; 2 JD transport disc — 1 is 8' and 1 is 9'; Sheppard diesel 9' single-roll packer; Int. Model 20-C harvester w-corn head; New Holland harvester; Case 3-sect. spring-tooth harrow; 4 rubber-tire wagons — 1 is New Holland and 3 are Grove, all w-flats & sides; JD hay crimper; New Idea No. 45 4-bar side rake on rubber; Allis No. 33 2-row mounted corn picker; 2 New Idea manure spreaders — No. 12 & No. 14; 2-sect. rotary hoe; large 2-wheel trailer; JD pull-type subsoiler; King Wise 32' hay & corn elevator w-1½-h.p. motor; King Wise roll-away elevator w-motor; JD hay fluffer; "V" snow blade; 4-horse wagon w-box; fanning mill seed cleaner; ground scoop; 3-prong cultivator; 2 shovel plows; single-row corn planter; rubber-tire wheelbarrow; 2 wagon loads of small tools; 50' 6" endless belt; 2 shifting ladders — 1 is 32-ft. & 1 is 40-ft. 3 cyclone grass seeders.

Poultry Equipment, 150 14-mo. old Hamp Rock hens; Several tons of mixed hay; Several tons of straw.

DAIRY EQUIPMENT

Creamery Package 310-gal. bulk tank, remote control; Surge SP 11 milker pump; 6 Surge milker units; 2 twin SS wash vats; 80-gal. electric water heater; bottled gas heater; utility milker rack; Stewart clippers; 85-lb. milk cans; many articles not mentioned.

NOTE: A Real Nice Lot Of Farm Equipment.

Martin L. Yohe,

Mary E. Yohe,

Owners

R.D.1

Abbottstown, PA

CLAIR R. SLAYBAUGH, Auctioneer
IDAVILLE, PA, Phone 677-7479
JACOBS, Clerk

Large 2 Day Sale for Harvey Kulp PUBLIC SALE OF HOLSTEIN DAIRY CATTLE, FARM EQUIPMENT and FEED

Location: 3 miles South of Pottstown off Route 100 on Hoffercker Road, Chester Co., Pa.

TUES., MARCH 18, 1975

11:00 A.M.

125 Holstein Grade Dairy Cows and 25 open heifers; 40 cows due in fall, balance throughout year; 30 first calf heifers, bal. of herd young and worthy of your attention.

Cheap cows that will work for you.

30 day test with charts. Sale under cover.

1,000 Mueller tank with auto. washer; Walker stamp with 2 5-horsepower compressors.

De Laval double six milking parlor and Model F combined #78 unit.

Terms by,
S. Harvey Kulp, Jr.

At the Same Location

TUES., MARCH 25, 1975

at 10:00 A.M. will sell the following:

John Deere 6030 diesel with cab, air conditioning & heater, dual 18:4x38 rubber, category 3 hitch (350 hrs.)

J.D. 4020 diesel WFE dual hyd. with cab & heater, power shift; 2 J.D. 3020 diesels with roll guard & power shift; J.D. 2010 gas tractor; John Deere B tractor; Massey Ferg. 880-8 trip bottom plow with cushion coulters; J.D. 345H 5 bottom auto. reset; Glenco 12 ft. soil saver chisel plow with midwest harrow; Oliver 283 14 ft. field cultivator with wings; J.D. BWA 36 transport disc; Bearcat 15 ft. cultipacker.

John Deere 5200 harvester diesel 4 wheel drive with 343 forage & snapper head & custom duty pickup head.

4 John Deere forage wagons, 2 125's with roofs and flotation tires, and 2 112 wagons.

New Holland Spinner hopper blower.

John Deere 336 baler with thrower; 2 Frey Bros. rack wagons 16x8x8; John Deere side mounted #50 mower, New Holland #56 rake, J D 6 row plateless planter; dry fert. with Dickie John (1 yr.), Case 6 row no-till planter; liquid fert. Gandy insecticide attachment (2 yrs.); J.D. #32A field sprayer, J.D. #55 corn special combine 13 ft. header & 343 snapper head, 1469 New Holland SP. haybine; New Holland flail spreader with hyd controlled lid (large), J.D. #54 spreader with hyd. endgate; Mustang 1700 skid loader with Perkins diesel; J.D. portable skeleton elevator with motor, 52 ft.; Hamilton post hole digger, 3 pt. fert. spreader, 1 ton capacity; 1,000 gal. liquid fertilizer tank with gas motor; John Deere 15 disc drill; large V-plow 3 pt

1974 Chevrolet C60 dump with 12 ft. Boyertown body, 2,500 miles.

Marlow irrigation system with 500 ft. 6 in. pipe and 1 Rainbird nozzle; Windpower 20KW generator; Snowlander 920 snoblower; Woods rotary cutter; Coby flat wagon; 4 barn fans, 3 elec. outside waterers; 3 bottom 14 in. trailer plow; 2 Scorpion snowmobiles, 1972 Chevrolet ½ ton pickup; 5 dusk to dawn lights, 2 sets tractor chains 18.34, 1 set 20:8x38; 30 new free stalls, 1,000 bu. steel grain bin, 8 ton feed bin.

20 x 70 Harvestore Silo w. Goliath unloader

2 20x60 Fickis silos; 2 2x40 stave silos; Harvestore 50 ft. 10 in. conveyor; Patz 125 ft. feeder (1 yr.); 25 ft. Cross auger silo matic; Patz 12 ft. silo unloader; 1 7½ hp. motor; Jamesway Vent System with 300 ft duct work.

50x128 Behlen 2 blind steel bldg. & 124 free stalls. 26x120 ft. pole barn with wood trusses; 6 rolls barb wire & steel posts; lathe; bolts & shop tools.

Many articles not mentioned.

40 ft. of high moisture corn in 20x60 silo. 20 ft. of sorghum haylage in Harvestore. 12x40 silo full of corn silage; 30 ton of alfalfa hay; 20 ton straw; 20 bu. seed corn.

No sale on this farm for 100 years!

Terms by,
S. Harvey Kulp
215-326-0439

J. Everett Kreider, Carl Diller, Aucts.
Lunch furnished.

PUBLIC SALE OF FARM MACHINERY

6 miles south of Quarryville, off Route 222, 1st road left south of Robert Fulton birthplace, first road right, first farm on left. 3 miles north of Wakefield off Route 222.

THURS., MARCH 20, 1975

12 NOON

John Deere 3020 diesel WFE, with dual hydraulics, full equipped, also roll guard; John Deere 2510 gas, 1600 hrs., new rubber; Case 630 gas (good shape). John Deere 825 3B-16" rollover Plow, Wizard 8-h.p. riding mower 36".

John Deere F125 3-bottom 16 in. trip plow; Case 3 bottom 14 in. contour plow with cylinder; Ford 32 transport disc harrow; John Deere cultmulcher; New Idea Cuditioner with 2 sets knives; John Deere 336 baler with thrower (1 yr. old); Darf 5 wheel rake; New Idea roll bar rake; Case wide track wagon with racks; John Deere 953 with racks; spare wagon with racks.

1970 VW bus recently overhauled

New Idea No. 215 manure spreader; New Holland 36 ft. elevator with motor; New Idea manure loader with 6 ft. bucket; fork with Grecian valves; 3 bottom Kesten plow rake; Grove wagon with green chop racks; Brady flail chopper; John Deere A18 high pressure washer; 180 amp. Forney welder with accessories; IHC drill; push guard for John Deere; 6 front end weights; 2 hyd. cylinders; 3 bales twine; double axle trailer.

Studebaker pickup for parts (runs)

6 yr. old saddle horse, 1 Shetland pony

1 RCA stereo record player; 1 G.E. recorder & tape player, maple corner cupboard.

Not many small items.

Terms by:

Emanuel S. Stoltzfus

717-529-2295

Kreider & Diller, Aucts.
Lunch by Robert Fulton Fire Co