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"Weeds" Has Germinated

MANY PERSONS have worked long hours at no pay to make possible this first issue and to insure at least three more. The development and ultimate worth of "Weeds", however, depends on you, Mr. Reader. Just as germinated seeds need fertilizer, water, sunlight, and painstaking care to insure sturdy plants and a good harvest, so does "Weeds" need support, guidance, reprimand and tolerance before it can evolve into the useful place it deserves in the field of agricultural publications. If you do not care what some distant "they" do with "Weeds", it will surely wither and die.

What would you like to find in "Weeds"? Some of our subscribers primarily prefer highly technical research papers, others desire summaries of researches on a given broad topic. Some would like news of weed developments in extension, education and regulation, whereas others think more information on the chemical supply situation, sources of new herbicides, and industrial developments would be of most value. We are attempting to have something along each of these lines in each issue. There will be no attempt to restrict space for any of these several topics. But what we print depends on the copy we receive (provided it meets approval of the standards set up by the editorial board). The amount of material appearing on any topic in each issue will be a good index of current interest in that topic. Undoubtedly certain numbers will have much space on regulatory aspects if important new laws are proposed or passed, and likewise, some issues may have considerable about a new herbicide that happens to perform well in a number of experiments.

It is hoped that we will soon have a sizeable "letters from readers" section where we can air the views of our subscribers on everything pertaining to "Weeds" and weeds.