VEGETABLE GUMS AND RESINS


This is an excellent reference book, well documented and indexed on scores of substances which are tree exudations and used for food and a variety of commercial purposes. The gums are in general those more or less soluble in water and the resins those soluble in organic solvents. Their botanical and geographical origins, their culture, collection, and marketing, usually under primitive conditions, their medicinal and commercial uses, and their properties, are described. Drawings illustrate the foliage, blossoms, and fruits of many of the producing trees. The book is “dedicated to the collectors of gums and resins in all parts of the world, many of whom, especially on the African continent, live in humble circumstances and carry out their work under arduous conditions” — J. T. Sullivan.

VEGETABLE CROPS


First published in 1923, this book is a textbook dealing with the management and production of vegetable crops. The main purpose in publishing this new fourth edition is, in the words of the author, “to bring . . . all topics up to date by incorporating the results of investigations that have been made since publishing the third edition.”

This book is exceptionally comprehensive in treatment. Initial chapters include a general discussion of vegetable growing, followed by chapters on soil management, irrigation, disease and weed control, marketing, and storage. The remaining two-thirds of the text deals with various vegetable crops in more detail.

New material added includes the following: recent information on nutritional value of vegetables; use and placement of fertilizers for vegetable crops; chemical weed control; new insecticides and fungicides. New machinery for truck growers and new methods of handling and marketing vegetable crops are also covered.

All important vegetables grown in temperate zones, including many minor and less frequently grown varieties, are treated. This is one of the most complete and authoritative books on the subject. — L. G. Monthey.

AMERICAN TOMATO YEARBOOK


Compiled for the tomato grower, dealer and shipper, canner, and research specialist, the American Tomato Yearbook contains a complete list of recent references to tomato culture, diseases, and pests and their control. It also contains information on tomato picking, critical tomato days, studies of costs, and producing tomatoes for processing. The publication includes a tabulation of states, giving current data on tomato yield, acreage and production for both processing and fresh market, and statistics on tomato juice, pulp, catsup, and imports and exports. Other features are a list of tomato growing counties, a breakdown, by states, of commercial varieties, a classified directory of business concerns serving the field, and a list of leading associations in the industry.