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The garden is plowed for planting next Spring and this Ol Hoosier Farmer has slowed down a little. Took soil samples a few weeks ago for testing and have made plans for a little fertilizer next year.

In fact, have tested soil for several neighbors who were concerned about the N-P-K ratio in their fields and gardens.

In looking back over the year, it is obvious that the tiller of the soil needs to look closely at what he is doing. Fine crops are not the result of chance. We would recommend the soil be tested for the three major ingredients and a light application of commercial fertilizer be used next spring to correct any deficiencies. A test the following fall will show where improvement is needed again.

In addition, use of Agriserum is recommended for strong root growth and resistance to drought.

The year has been dry and the Old Farmer's Almanac says a dry summer next year, so we recommend Agriserum to help offset a lack of water.

Fall plowing is a good idea — the ground can be worked earlier next spring and crops can be started early.

It's not too soon to look ahead — only a few more weeks until the days start getting longer again, and seed catalogs will be here in another couple months.

Meanwhile, rest up—it won't be long until Spring!