To the Editor:

    Please try to use this story in your Thanksgiving edition.

    Turkey dressing won't lack for seasoning this Thanksgiving. Cecil Clark
and his partner, E. C. Price, in the Yakima valley, Washington, are harvesting
a crop of commercial sage to compare with the 1943 production, when they
grossed $7,000 from a single acre. This year and last they planted 25 acres to
sage on the Roza Division of the Yakima Reclamation project, producing in 1943,
94,000 pounds of the favorite seasoning. They irrigate, as shown in the
picture, by means of check risers from an underground pipeline.

    When shipments of Dalmatian sage were cut off because of the war, Clark
and Price started their extensive herb enterprise, raising 21,000 pounds of
sage from 10 acres in 1942. They increased the plots to a total of 25 acres
in 1943.

    First year plantings a year ago averaged nearly two tons of dry sage per
acre. That same planting this year almost doubled the yield, Clark reports.
Even with market prices fluctuating on sage from a high of $1.00 per pound
in 1941 to 65¢, present quotation, the partners expect a very spicy profit.
Costs for growing and curing sage run as low as 15¢ per pound on good plots.
It is important to have good soil, good fertilizer, and adequate moisture.

    Before the war Americans used 750 to 1,000 tons of dry sage annually.
Most of this seasoning for turkey dressing and sausages was imported from
Dalmatia, where the pungent plant thrives on sheep and goat pastures in the
mountains.

Suggested Cutlines:

1. Sage for turkey dressing or pork sausage! The pungent herb thrives on 25 acres of irrigated land on the Roza division of the Yakima, Washington, Reclamation project. Cecil Clark (shown in the picture) and his partner, E. C. Price, grossed $7,000 from a single acre of commercial sage.

2. Commercial sage on the Yakima, Washington, Reclamation project grossed $7,000 an acre. Cecil Clark (in the picture) and his partner, E. C. Price, irrigate 25 acres of the herb by means of check risers from an underground pipeline.