

Agriculturally Speaking

Insect Control For Cattle Is Suggested

By L. B. HARDAGE

Horn Fly — Dairy and Beef Animals.

(1) Methoxychlor - 50 w. p. Dosage per animal one tablespoonful sprinkle on back every 21 days. No waiting period to slaughter.

(2) (CoRal) 1D-3 to 6 tablespoonfuls per animal - repeat as needed.

(3) Rabon - 3D-2 ounces per animal—repeat as needed.

Others that can be used are pyrethrins - vapona - crotoxyphos plus (CioVap) os. These are to be applied daily according to directions. Used mostly on dairy cows, and would be more expensive and too much trouble to use on beef cattle.

Self-applicating Devices - Back Rubbers

(1) Crotoxphos (Ciodrin) 3D
(2) Rabon 3D
(3) RaVap-os

Beef Animals Only - As a spray

(1) Methoxychlor - 25 E. C.
(2) Malathion - 57 E. C.

(3) Rabon - 50 W. P. or 24 E. C.

(4) (Korlan) - 24 E. C.

(5) (CoRal)-25 W. P.

Self-Applicating Devices

(1) (Delnav)

(2) Malathion - 57 E. C.

(3) Methoxychlor - 25 E. C.

or 10D

(4) Rabon - 24 E.

(5) (Korlan) - 24 E. C.

Follow directions on containers.

Lice-Dairy and Beef Animals

(1) (Ciodrin) - 14.4 E. C. or 3D

(2) (CoRal) - 24 W. P. or 1D

(3) Rabon - 3D

Beef Animals only - Lice Control

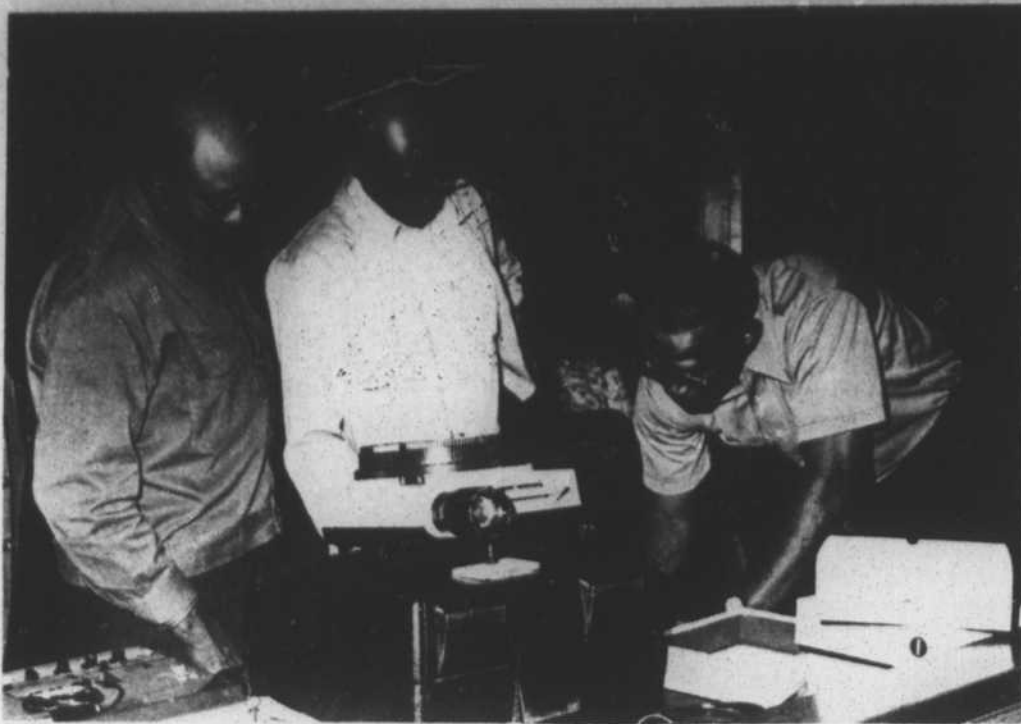
Malathion - Ruelene or Methoxychlor. Follow directions.

Beef Cattle - Ticks

Coral - Malathion or (Korlan)

There are many insecticides on the market to control insects on cattle.

Always follow directions and be sure to heed all warnings.



Cook Dowtin [center] and George Henry Kearney are signing to qualify for the Pesticide Application School. L. C. Cooper, Agricultural Extension Agent [right] and instructor for the four-hour course, said over 300 farmers have qualified. The next class will be held in October.

Safety Education Should Be Part Of Pesticide Program

By L. C. COOPER
Extension Agent

Safety education and training of applicators, whether yourself or family members or employees, should be part of every pesticide use program.

Today's farmer doesn't need to be told that every year, some farmers so inadvertently take risks by failing to observe the basic rules of pesticide safety. Nobody needs to tell you that misuse of pesticides is against the law. Nor does anyone need to tell you that failure to adhere to the requirements of the pesticide law can result in crop seizure, a fine, or both. But every year, there are a few who.....forget!

The pesticide label is the user's Bible. textbook and safety belt! READ it, not once, but each time you pick up a pesticide container.

The label will tell you what pests the product is effective against, and under what conditions its use is safe. If special protective gear is needed, it will tell you that, too.

The label will brief you on use procedures, storage requirements and emergency precautions to put into immediate effect in the event of an accident. If you're not going to use all of the product in one application, store the chemical in its original container, label intact, so you can rebrief yourself each time it's used.

Keep children away from any area where pesticides are stored or used. Most (75%) pesticide poisonings happen to children under four years of age. But children of all ages are

curious, ingenious, and born mimics. Protect them and any other uninvolved persons from any chance of accidental poisoning.

Carelessly stored pesticides can cause major problems. Make proper storage a routine habit.

Don't wait for "later" — may be too late! As soon as you've finished with a pesticide container, either recap it and store it under lock and key, or triple-rinse into the spray tank and dispose of the container immediately.

Correct dosage? Don't think that more than is recommended will do a better job! It won't. It's also illegal and it may cause crop damage or harm to you or your environment. It's always a little tempting to put your "ingenuity" to work, but in this case, that's already been done — with all those research dollars and scientific man-hours. So relax, let the directions do the brain-work, and don't doctor the recipe!

Ingested chemicals can cause illness or even death — and they don't just enter your body through your mouth. Some can be absorbed through your skin and nose. Fully protect yourself by leaving your cigarettes and sandwiches back in the kitchen and by wearing clothes that cover as much of your skin surface as possible. Remember that cloth and leather can absorb, rather than protect from chemicals. Wear rubber gloves and boots, a hat and long sleeves, and launder your clothing separately from the family wash after each use.

The performance of your application equipment is important — take the time to check it before putting it on the job, and make sure it's cleaned once the job is finished. Correct calibration of equipment is important. Best droplet size and good coverage result when you match the spray tips to the operating pressure. A mismatch can mean poor coverage or fogging and drift to adjacent areas. Both are bad news!

It's surprising how many city-bred folks still nurture the image of the American farmer as he was depicted 100 years ago. We have heard far too many sophisticated government agency personnel and lawmakers worry aloud over the tremendous "risk" of putting specialized chemicals into the hands of what they consider to be unwitting or poorly educated farmers.

Not so! The farmer we know isn't unwitting or poorly educated by a long shot, and his safety record demonstrates that. But to the extent that an individual has grown up isolated from exposure to farming as it exists today or from the farmers who have made farming what it is today, he may only be reacting to the "bad" news he hears, and the image of farming he fashioned in his mind as a child may only be reinforced. Such an individual may have all the education and experience he needs to make complex legal decisions. But his blindness to the real nature of the individuals he's dealing with may take the form of what can seem like awfully crazy restrictions—designed to protect an "unwitting" you!

There's only one solution to a communications problem of this kind. Do a good job — and when you've got the chance, let people know about it. If legislation is upcoming that looks as if it's going to generate

Comment Is Invited

The public has been invited to comment on possible changes in marketing quota and price support regulations of the flue-cured tobacco program, the U. S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced on March 28. Written comments must be received by the Department no later than April 19, T. E. Watson, county ASCS director, said yesterday.

USDA is considering the changes after receiving complaints of alleged program abuses from several segments of the industry," Watson said. "Specific charges were that some farmers produce in excess of their quotas and illegally dispose of the excess and that speculation by some producers was, in part, responsible for high flue-cured tobacco leasing costs." The proposed changes are designed to curb these practices.

Under the first change, leases filed after June 14 would be disapproved if the quantity stipulated in the lease exceeds the difference between expected production on the leased acreage and production on those acres. Under current regulations, a producer may lease out quota equal to the difference between expected production on the total allotment and the production on planted acres.

Leases filed after June 14 would also be disapproved if the quantity stipulated in the lease exceeds the difference between the receiving farm's quota and the amount of tobacco it has on hand to market. Under current regulations, there is no limit on the amount of quota a producing farm may receive through lease.

June 14 is used as a cut-off date because of limiting factors in current legislation and because by that time, a producer should have a nearly-accurate estimate of production and would, therefore, have no reason to acquire an amount of quota larger than estimated production.

Under the second proposed change, a farm would be ineligible for price support if its certified or measured acreage planted to flue-cured tobacco exceeds 107 percent of the farm allotment. Such a farm would receive a marketing card indicating "no price support." Marketing cards, issued by USDA's Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS), stipulate what quantity of tobacco a producer may sell without penalty and indicate a producer's eligibility for price support. Under current regulations, price support is made available without regard to planted acreage.

Before making a final determination on these proposed changes, consideration will be given to any written comments received. Comments should be sent to either the Director, Program Operations Division, or the Director, Tobacco and Peanut Division. The address for both is USDA/ASCS, P. O. Box 2415, Washington, D. C. 20013, Watson said.

Mrs. Swenson Has Training Program

By MRS. BERTHA B. FORTE
Mrs. C. E. Swenson, Jr., County Cultural Arts Leader for Extension Homemakers Clubs, conducted a training meeting for leaders Monday, April 4, in the Home Economics Extension Office.

A cultural arts program for the year was presented to the leaders with illustrative materials to be used for each month's program. Included in the program were music (folk, spirituals, symphony, and songs of patriotism), indoor and outdoor crafts, and art (Rembrandt, Raphael, and Art and Sculpture in the South).

Along with the Cultural Arts, Mrs. Swenson discussed the "Lap Reading" Program and how it may be implemented by Extension Homemakers. The "Lap Reading" program is to provide parents, volunteers and other care givers with learning opportunities that will enable them to provide an enriched environment for pre-school children. The program is expected to receive statewide emphasis for the next six years.

Attending the training meeting were Mrs. J. B. Wilson, Coley Spring Club; Mrs. Emma Boyd, Wise Club; Mrs. Raymond Fitts, Olive Grove Club; Mrs. Al Young, Drewey Club; Miss Estelle Somerville, Macon Club; Mrs. Linda Jones, Fellowship Club; Mrs. Florence Bender, Zion Club; and Mrs. Mamie F. Kearney, Snow Hill Club. Mrs. Swenson is a member of the Churchill Club.

Macon Club Meets At Harrison Home

The Maconers 4-H Club met March 22 in the home of Mrs. Sallie Harrison. Twelve members and three leaders were present. The meeting was called to order and devotion was led by Sharon Dunston, president. The minutes were read by the secretary, Carolyn Turner. Business included the Easter Seal Drive and finishing paper to be sold. The club is planning another dinner in the near future.

The meeting closed by repeating the Mizpah and the club motto.

Miss Lillian Boyd and Miss Estelle Somerville were hostesses.—Beatrice Banks, reporter.

Three Fires On Firemen's Agenda

Warrenton Rural Volunteer Firemen responded to two trash and one woods fire during the past several days.

The Warrenton Fire Department dispatched four men and one truck to a woods fire below Vaughan at 1:45 p. m. last Thursday. The fire, of unknown origin, was put out with water.

The Warrenton Rural Firemen responded to two trash fires at the Landfill Saturday. The first fire was between 12 noon and 1 p. m. and the second was at 8 a. m. Two trucks and seven men were dispatched to each fire which was put out with water.

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8th Anniversary

The eighth anniversary of the Community Male Chorus will be observed at Melver School Auditorium near Littleton on Easter Sunday at 2 p. m. Groups attending will be the Ruin Creek Chorus, Pilgrim Travelers, Sister Bettie Bennett, Sons of Faith, Three Disciples, the Golden Echoes and Family Five.

Arnett Manley will be master of ceremonies and a free will offering will be taken at the door.

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