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Agriculture Department Wages Fight on Farmer's Foe, Worms

By A. F. Mahan

WASHINGTON — A worm is Public Enemy No. 1 to the Department of Agriculture.

It is the European corn borer, which caused an estimated \$97,000,000 damage in 28 states last year. Eight years ago damage was only about \$7,000,000.

So far the borer has defied all efforts to check its spread, but the Department has mapped a five-point control program which it hopes to see put into operation on a community-by-community basis this year.

The boll weevil, experts say, never posed a greater threat to cotton than the borer to corn. Besides, corn is planted on more acreage, is worth more in dollars and has a greater diversity of by-products than any other two crops combined.

Damage caused by the borer increased by 1943 to \$33,000,000 and in 1946 to \$37,000,000. Dr. P. N. Annand, chief of the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine, says an "intensified effort calling for the all-out cooperation of all farmers with state and federal agencies is necessary if the insect is to be brought under control and its damage checked.

The corn borer first was discovered in the United States in 1917. It caused severe damage that year to sweet corn around Boston.

Annand says evidence indicates the worm was imported from Hungary or Italy between 1909 and 1914, before any quarantine inspection service had been authorized at ports.

By 1940 it had spread to states bordering the Great Lakes, gone north into Maine and moved southward along the Atlantic Coast to Virginia.

Today it is found in 1,052 counties in 28 states. 94 counties in 11 states reported new infestations last year. Now it infests parts of North Carolina and Tennessee and has moved as far as North and

South Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas. Many states are planning community meetings to spread up-to-date information on control methods.

The Department of Agriculture suggests these:

1. Plow under old corn stalks and stubble, shred or ensilage corn stalks used for feed, destroy corn remnants in barnyards and elsewhere.

2. Plant varieties of corn recommended for respective communities. Locally adapted hybrids can be expected to give highest yields and quality.

3. Plant on dates recommended by agricultural agents.

4. Look for eggs laid by corn moth on the underside of leaves on tallest corn and start insecticide treatment as soon as eggs begin to hatch. (Frequent examinations are recommended in May, June and July.)

5. Use insecticides when it is determined they will be profitable. (County agricultural agents are prepared to advise on what, when and how to use.)

The corn borer, which usually becomes about an inch long, begins as an egg laid by a moth and himself becomes a moth after he has done his boring damage.

Hatched as a tiny worm, he tunnels his way into the stalk which usually weakens and breaks. He feasts, too, on the ears of the corn, even gnawing the cob.

As he nears maturity he bores into the stalk and spins a thin cocoon about himself, becomes a pupa and emerges later as a moth.

BOOTH CARRIES ON

LONDON — (AP) — Following in the family tradition, Cadet Stuart Booth, great grandson of William Booth who founded and was the first general of the Salvation Army, has been commissioned in the organization. He is a son of Lt. Col. Sybil Booth, territorial commander for France, and the grandson of General Bramwell Booth, the army's second general.

GLOUCESTER

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stewart of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Mr. Edward Willis of Wilmington were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Nelson Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Meadows spent the weekend here at their summer cottage on Sleepy Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Mears and sons, Elbert and James, spent the weekend in Lumberton with his father who is ill.

Mrs. Kenneth Bates entertained Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stewart Tuesday.

Mrs. Ora Ordwein and her mother, Mrs. Annie Tipton, of Hyattsville, Md., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Lester Pigott, and his mother, Mrs. Lillian Pigott.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stewart were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stewart Sunday.

Mrs. Bill Pigott went to Raleigh to attend the nurses graduation exercises at Rex hospital. Her sister, Miss Ellen Nelson, graduated.

Mrs. R. L. Whitehurst of Morehead City spent last Sunday with Capt. John Nelson and family.

Capt. John Nelson, who was seriously ill for several weeks, has recovered and is able to work again. Mrs. Nelson is still on the sick list.

Miss Maggie Pigott and Mrs. Lillian Pigott called on Miss Georgia Whitehurst Sunday night.

Miss Winifred Willis and friend, Miss Alice Wilcox of Hawaii, are here for the summer visiting relatives.

Mrs. Henry Chadwick and daughter, Hilma, have returned after visiting relatives in Culpeper, Va., and Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Mamie Smith and Mrs. Elmer Smith of Harkers Island were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nisbet Tuesday.

Miss Della Fulford spent the weekend with Mrs. Sadie Nisbet.

REDS FIND LOST CITY

MOSCOW — (AP) — Soviet archeologists are excavating a "lost city" in the desert of Kyzyl-Kum in Central Asia. Announcing this "Red Star" said the name of the city was "Tarak-Kala." The city, from what historians can determine, was abandoned in the Third Century A. D.

CEDAR ISLAND

Mrs. Carl Daniels and daughter, Jeannie Frances, returned to their home in Charlotte last Wednesday after spending a while here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Smith.

Miss Sarah Marie Goodwin, of Morehead City, is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Goodwin.

Mrs. James Willis, of Lennoxville, spent last week here with Mrs. Mattie Styron who is very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Day were visitors in Beaufort last Wednesday.

Mr. Lionel Lupton, who has been working in Tamaqua, Pa. for some time, returned home Monday to visit his mother, Mrs. Gladys Lupton and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Willis, of Beaufort, R.F.D., visited his aunt, Mrs. Mattie Styron a short while Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Garner took Mr. Alton Goodwin to Beaufort Friday to the doctor.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Van Horn, of Morehead City, spent the week end here with her mother, Mrs. Dora Day.

Mrs. Wesley Lupton, of New Bern, is spending a few days here with her mother in law, Mrs. Gladys Lupton.

Mr. and Mrs. Connie Daniels and daughter spent Sunday here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Daniels.

Mr. Henry Taylor, of Sealevel, spent Sunday afternoon here.

Mr. Darrel Lupton, of Cape Lookout C. G. Station, left Monday to return back to his work after spending his leave here with his father, Mr. Ervin Lupton.

Mrs. Blakely Wade, of Beaufort, is spending this week here with her mother, Mrs. Rittie Day.

Messrs. J. W. and Arthur Goodwin were visitors to Atlantic Monday afternoon.

Hospital Staffs Inadequate

LONDON — (AP) — Minister of Health Aneurin Bevan reports that the shortage of attendants is seriously crippling Britain's hospital services. At one time, he says, 61,146 hospital beds were vacant because of staff shortages.

South River News

James Tosto Dies At Home of Daughter

The community was sorry to hear of the death of Mr. James Tosto Monday morning at Oriental, where he had been living with his daughter, Mrs. Geneva Mason for nearly two years. The family and relatives have our deepest sympathy.

Mrs. Mary Willis and grand daughter, Sarah Alice Mason, of Stacy, spent the weekend with her sister, Mrs. Mornie Norman.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Courtney and children, Vernon and Shirley, of Portsmouth, Va., moved in the community Monday. Mr. Courtney is working for the pulp wood company.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Fulcher and baby girl, Paulette, of Morehead, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Wallace.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Cannon and children spent Sunday afternoon with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Pittman.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Wallace visited Mr. and Mrs. George Tosto Wednesday night.

Mrs. Leota Hammer visited the school Monday to vaccinate the children that would go to school this fall for the first time.

Mrs. Rone Wallace spent a while Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Nannie Pittman and mother, Mrs. James Tosto.

Mrs. Emma Bechem is spending this week with Mrs. Rone Wallace.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Stone and daughter, Barbara, of Durham, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Rone Wallace.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Belangia and children, of New Bern, R.F.D., spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Singie Cannon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Tosto and son, Elzie, visited Mr. and Mrs. Rone Wallace Saturday night.

Mrs. Lem Hardy, Jr., and baby, Linda, are spending this week at Pelletier with her parents, the Phuees.

Miss Janice Norman spent Sunday afternoon with Kathleen Hardy.

Elder William Anderson, of Morehead City, filled his regular appointment Sunday morning and Sunday night.

Eld. J. C. Griffin, of Morehead City, will be here the first Saturday night in June to show pictures of our orphanage at Middlesex, North Carolina. Everyone are cordially invited to attend.

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The Tidewater Construction Co., of Norfolk, Va., one of the largest equipment they have, came dock and so the pulpwood company barges could load the wood on and take it to the paper mill at Plymouth, N. C. Captain Win slow and their crew members are on the equipment and it will take them two months to complete the job.

Berlin Believes Western Powers Will Remain

BERLIN — (AP) — Despite strong Russian propaganda to the contrary, most Berliners believe the Western powers will remain in Berlin, according to a poll taken by the American Military Government. The opinion sampling was conducted by AMG's information control division in the three western sectors of Berlin — occupied by the U. S., Britain and France — which contain two-thirds of the city's 3 1/4 million population.

In October, 1947, 74 per cent believed the Western Powers would not withdraw. Later a Russian propaganda barrage attempted to convince Berliners that the Western Powers were the "spliters" of Germany and had forfeited their right to remain here. To test the effect of this propaganda, the American agency again asked Berliners this spring whether they believed the western occupiers would withdraw. Seventy-six per cent of those questioned said they believed they would not.

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