

**FARMING**

By The County Farm Agent

**Cotton Insect Conditions**

Boll weevil emergence is earlier this year than last. L. C. Fife, USDA Entomologist at Florence, S. C., reports that 262 weevils had emerged from hibernation cages by May 23. This compares with none at the same time last year and 413 in 1950. In the Florence area last week weevils were found in 23 out of 61 fields at rates ranging from zero to 480 per acre.

During the week ending May 31, several fields of cotton were checked in Hoke County and infestations in these fields range from zero to 3%. On Monday of this week, three fields were checked in different sections of the county and infestations ran 6%, 3%, and zero. This was a slight increase over last week. Some of the older cotton in the

county is now putting on squares, and in some fields squares are large enough for damage by weevils. Plant lice are still prevalent in a lot of cotton fields but with warmer weather and an increase in the number of beneficial insects there is little damage from this pest.

Damaging weevil infestations can build up from light initial populations under favorable weather conditions. Growers are urged to check their fields regularly and be prepared to treat at squaring according to recommendations.

Each year, thousands of bushels of small grain are destroyed or made useless as a result of insect damage. Cleaning out bins or cribs and treating them with the recommended materials will aid greatly in reducing these losses caused by insects.

**Small Grain storage on the farm:**  
It is not too early to plan storage for small grains. Most small grains

may be infested in the field, however, the most common pest during 1951 was the "white worm" seen in the grain in bins during late summer. This insect, which is known as the Cadelle beetle, and its larvae develop in the walls and cracks in the bins. A spray treatment which would wet the walls and floor, applied while the bin is empty will go a long way toward the elimination of this pest. Cleaning up of all cribs and bins during late spring and shell- ing the old corn is a must if farmers in North Carolina expect to improve their storage problem. Millers cannot make first class meal nor flour and grits infested grains. Livestock may refuse to eat damaged products.

**Spray Materials:**

Of the materials available for treatment of the crib 50% wettable powders of DDT, TDE or methoxychlor may be used in a hand garden sprayer at the rate of 1/2 pound to each 1-2 gallons of water. This quantity will cover

approximately 750 sq. ft. of wall and floor surface or treat a crib 20 feet square and 8 feet deep. All of these materials are available as a 25% emulsion and can be used satisfactorily in making a spray. One would use 1 quart of either one of the emulsions in the 1 1/2 gallons of water and apply to approximately 750 sq. ft. of surface. All of these materials will leave a residue on the walls which will remain effective for several weeks. The amount used will not create a human hazard if used only on the walls and floor of the cribs. A third mixture which is even less hazardous from the human standpoint contains 0.1 pyrethrum and 1.0% piperonyl butoxide by weight. It is quite satisfactory even though it does not leave as long lasting residue as the above materials. When using any of the above mixtures apply enough spray to wet the walls without running off.



Washington—All last week, we had before the Senate the so-called "foreign aid bill." The original proposal, as you will recall, was that the Congress appropriate 7 billion, 900 million dollars for foreign aid. The request, of course, was made by the President.

Debate on this matter extended the Senate sessions well into the evening. Wednesday night, for example, the Senate stopped work at 9 o'clock.

The House of Representatives, in its consideration of the matter, reduced the appropriation to 6 billion, 900 million—cutting off the sum of one billion dollars. The bill then came to the Senate and has been the subject of considerable controversy.

**More Cuts Asked**

Several amendments were offered, the first one to reduce the appropriation by still another billion dollars. The second one asked a

half-billion dollar cut; the third a 400-million dollar reduction. The fourth would have reduced ECA funds by 500 million.

I voted for all of these cuts because I feel it is time the Congress begin thinking about the impact of these huge expenditures on the taxpayers of America.

In the printed report of the committee, there were two sentences which were quite interesting to me. I think you will be interested also. Here they are:

"It learned that in some countries the recipient governments are contributing NOTHING to the program. One of the Administration witnesses testified that 'under certain circumstances . . . nothing is a fair share.'"

**Our Job Alone**

In other words, that statement shows that some of our government officials do not think that the foreign governments which are receiving our help ought to contribute anything to match the economic and technical assistance we are providing for them.

In considering this matter of foreign aid, it was interesting to note the trend in the way we are being asked to appropriate vast sums of money. In the case of the armed forces, there is at present a total of 54 billion dollars already appropriated in prior years—which has not yet been spent. Of course, most of this money is committed and will actually be spent in the next year or two. There was no suggestion of cutting that part of the program.

**Mutual Aid**

In the mutual aid program which was under consideration, there was a difference of opinion as to whether the unspent funds appropriated previously totaled 4 or 6 1/2 billion. To a lot of government spenders, a billion or two dollars is a small matter to pay any attention to.

But I felt that a billion or two dollars cut off the proposals for aid to foreign countries, if cut at the right places, would certainly be a step in the right direction.

This foreign aid program is by no means the largest spending proposal for the coming year. In addition to this, plans are to spend about 65 other billions of dollars in the coming year. So, you see, the government spenders have rather expensive plans to continue their reckless spending policies. Of course, they are assuring you that it all is an absolute necessity — it's all in the name and the guise of "national defense."

**Time To Think**

To be sure, we cannot let up on any worthwhile objective of real national defense. But when

foreign nations have made greater progress than was originally contemplated, and when those nations are failing to contribute anything to their own defense and stability—then it seems to me that it is about time for us to apply the brakes to our give-away program.

Of course there is a lot of hysteria and fear whipped up by the bureaucrats, who prophesy doom on one hand if every one of their suggestions is not carried out, and perfect peace on the other hand if only their suggestions are followed.

As Senator Paul Douglas, a professional economist, pointed out, it will do us little good as a nation to spend untold billions for foreign

aid if, in doing so, we destroy our own fundamental economy, since then we will be playing directly into the hands of Stalin. That, of course, is exactly what Stalin's regime hopes and thinks we will do.

No one can understand the true situation of appropriations unless he studies and reads the hearings and the reports of the committees, and really learns where and how our money is being spent.

Above all, nobody should accept without question the word of any bureaucrat who makes his main business to sell the public on the idea of spending more and more money.

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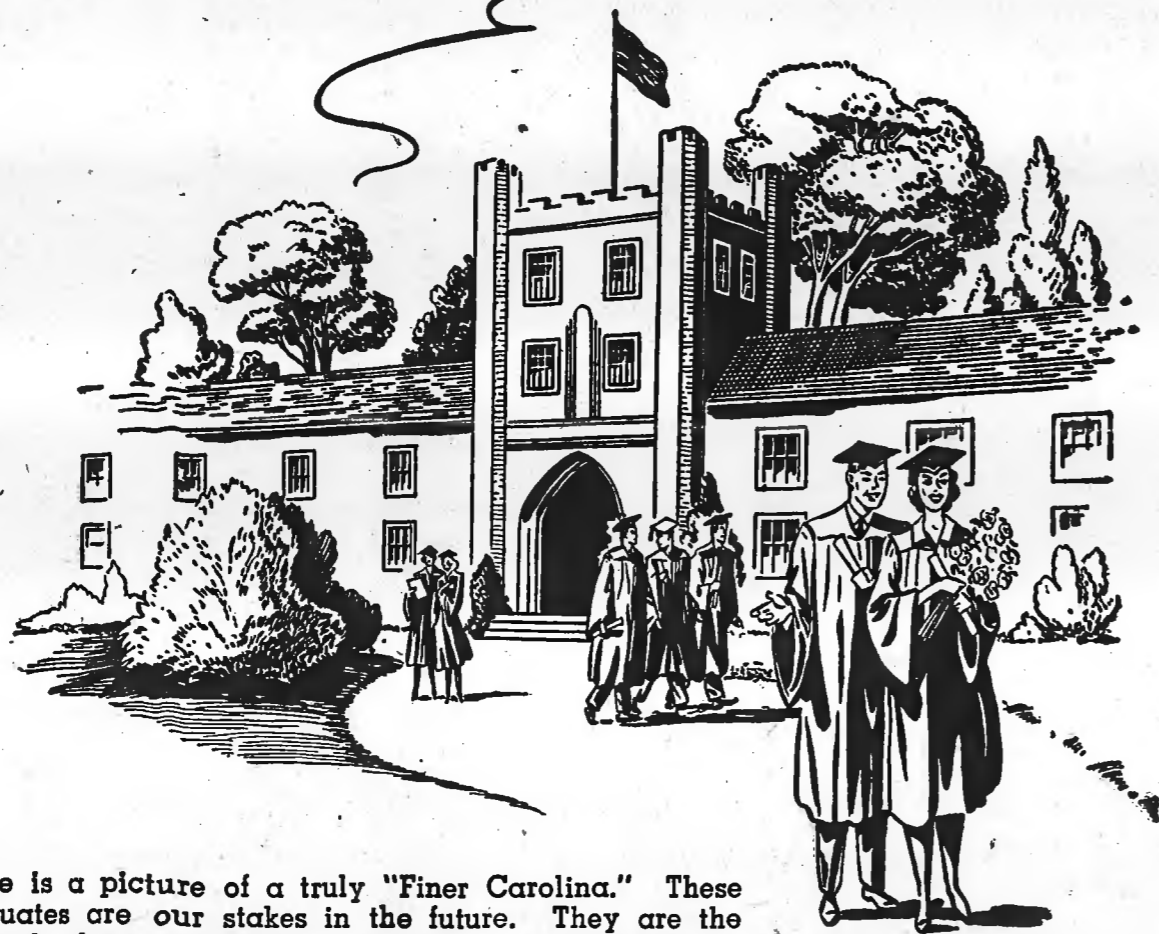
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