

Corn Borer Is On Increase

The European corn borer is now better established and potentially more of a threat to corn production than it was in 1953, the U. S. Department of Agriculture reports.

Although the North Central States are expected to be hardest hit, a breakdown of infestations shows that corn borer build-ups increased last year by 35 per cent in Delaware; 28 per cent in Maryland; 40 per cent in Rhode Island; 21 per cent in Virginia.

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15 Pounds Looks Better On Counter Than on Her

Miami, Fla. (AP) — "Have you a 15-pound roast?" the woman customer asked Butcher Eddie Thal. Thal wrestled one out of the cooler and laid it on the counter. The woman looked at it, sighed happily and turned toward the door.

"It's U. S. prime," Thal pleaded. "Doesn't it look all right?"

"Oh, I didn't want to buy it," the woman said. "I've just lost 15 pounds and I wanted to see what that much meat looks like."

vania, West Virginia, Kentucky and Arkansas are expected to fare better.

4-H's Take a Hand



"Make Safety Your No. 1 Crop" is the slogan of 4-H Club members throughout the nation. They are helping to reduce the tragic annual toll of 15,000 lives and 1,225,000 disabling injuries to farm folks.

Health Board Spokesman Comments on Safety Week

Raleigh, N. C. — The proclamation by the President of the United States setting aside the week of July 25 as Farm Safety Week has particular interest for North Carolinians where more than 600 persons are killed each year in home and farm accidents, it was pointed out here today by a safety spokesman of the North Carolina State Board of Health.

Dr. Charles M. Cameron Jr., chief of the health department's Accident Prevention Section, in announcing the special Farm Safety Week, called attention to farm machinery and equipment, fire, live stock, pesticides and other chemicals as accident hazards found on most of the state's farms.

"The Insect and Rodent Control Section of the State Board of Health has recently completed a survey of eye injuries due to the careless or improper use of pesticides," Dr. Cameron said. "Due to the widespread use of these chemicals it is necessary to point out that many of them are safe only if the directions on the label are followed exactly."

In gathering information as to eye injuries from pesticides, the Board of Health investigators interviewed six eye specialists in eastern North Carolina who contributed data indicating that several hundred persons each year receive treatment for eye conditions resulting from pesticides entering the eye.

Dr. Cameron emphasized the excellent work done by North Carolina State College, the Agriculture Extension Service, the Department of Agriculture, and the various chemical companies in stressing the importance of observing safe guards when using chemicals on farm and in the home garden.

"Let me stress that these useful chemicals have played an important role in advancing agriculture in North Carolina," Dr. Cameron concluded, "but all farmers and gardeners must read and heed the precautions on the label if many serious injuries are to be avoided."

Time to Pay
Bloomington, Ind. (AP) — County Assessor Robert Patton believes he has found a way to open the doors of county taxpayers who refuse to allow township assessors in. The household goods of such a taxpayer will be assessed at \$500, considerably above the average assessment here.

Sudden Death Lurks In Hidden Bombs, Mines

Bonn, Germany — Nine years after the war, sudden death still lurks in West Germany in the form of hidden land mines, forgotten ammunition dumps, dud bombs and other high explosives left on the battlefields of world war II.

Almost 1,000 persons have been killed or severely hurt throughout Western Germany since the end of the war German officials estimate.

In the biggest West German state, North Rhine - Westphalia, the district government of Dueseldorf alone has lost 30 men of its 60-man mine clearing squad since 1947. Nine were killed and 21 crippled for life.

Many of the explosions occurred while the mines or bombs were being defused and taken apart.

To lessen the danger of unexpected explosions while the bombs are being dismantled, technicians of the Dueseldorf district government have constructed a robot turning lathe which automatically takes shells, mines and bombs apart. The lathe is controlled by a technician who sits in a concrete bunker about 100 yards from the robot lathe.

A stream of water cools the bombs while they are cut to make explosions through heat impossible. An automatic steel saw cuts open the mantle of the shell which is then taken to a steel press and ripped apart.

The press is likewise automatically controlled. From there the bombs are taken to the burning ground where the powder is burned out of them.

During the last 12 months, demolition squads have collected from the Dueseldorf district more than 1,000 bombs, 44,500 artillery shells, 1,000 bazookas, 200 land mines of all kinds, nine tons of small arms ammunition, 1,300 hand-grenades and 4,000 ignition bombs.

It will be another five years, German officials estimate, before all of West Germany is cleared from mines, bombs and shells.

Soil Conservation News

Two Groups Sponsor Farm Safety Week

By DAVID F. JONES JR. Soil Conservation Service

The week of July 25 through 31 is National Farm Safety Week. The National Safety Council and the United States Department of Agriculture, with the cooperation of other organizations interested in promoting safety among farm people, sponsor this program.

The National Safety Council conceived the idea of National Farm Safety Week to emphasize the importance of safety consciousness among farmers and their families.

The annual observance of National Farm Safety Week began in 1944 with an official proclamation by the President of the United States. This is the 11th consecutive year that the last full week of July has been so designated.

Do you know that the number of fatal accidents to farm worker is greater than in any other occupation in the United States? Serious injuries are nearly 85 times as many as the fatalities.

Available information indicates that 700 of the fatal farm accidents involved wheel tractors. One-third of the fatal tractor accidents reported involved persons under 20 years of age. One case in 10 was a child under 5 years. Work around the barns can be as hazardous as work in the fields, safety experts report.

Remove hazards and avoid risks to reduce accidents in farmwork, they advise. A good slogan to follow is: "Farm to live and live to farm."

There were 14,000 farm people

killed in accidents in 1953. Help make our farms and highways safe. Cooperate in National Farm Safety Week, July 25-31.

Arkansas Agricultural Group Tests New Tomato

A new tomato called "Indark" that combines the better qualities of older varieties, was announced by the Arkansas Agricultural Experiment Station. It is strongly resistant to fusarium wilt and can be expected to produce a full crop on wilt-infested soils.

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Fortune or Rutgers varieties. The fruit is round, very meaty, ripens from the inside to a rich, red color, and are relatively free of cracking.

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There are many possible hazards in the daily operation of a farm—chances for accident and injury: trampling or goring by livestock; cutting from any of the many sharp-edged tools of the farm, including power-driven tools; drowning in lake, pool, irrigation ditch; shock or burns from electric appliances or equipment; tractor accidents, and many others.

But these hazards need not lead to accident or injury, and in almost all cases, will not, so long as normal rules of safety are used. Accidents, injuries, deaths on the farm are almost invariably due to carelessness on the part of the worker, to the failure to take some simple precaution. The man who knows the safe way to perform any task, who uses care and thought in his work, who keeps his tools and electric equipment safe by keeping it in good repair, will lose little time from injury or accident.

There is a close relation between the amount of work you do and the amount of profit your farm will show. For you, lost time from your work is lost money. It pays to be safe.

And remember that while farm safety is promoted only once a year, it has to be practiced every day.

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Polio Patient Receives Education in Hospital

Miami, Fla. (AP) — Etta Camille Cafiero, who can move about only in a wheel chair after an attack of polio, works as a switchboard operator at Variety Children's hospital where she has been a patient for the past four years.

During the four years she kept up with her high school work and got her diploma at the end of the last school year.

One trapper took 96 beavers during two weeks of the open season in Iowa this year.

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