

Danger In Home-Made Electric Fences Cited

Death Of Child At Wilson Given As Example Of Dangers In Improperly Made Fences

Raleigh, Mar. 14—A warning to North Carolina farmers to beware of the home-made electric fence has been issued by David S. Weaver, head of the Department of Agricultural Engineering and extension specialist of State College. He says that all electric fences present an element of danger, but that the home-made device which does not limit the amount of current and which does not include a fool-proof controller to interrupt the flow of electricity, is especially lethal.

"The recent death of a Wilson County child who was electrocuted by a fence on his father's farm focused attention on the electric fence now being widely used to restrain livestock in the State," Prof. Weaver stated. "I wish to reiterate the position of my department, and that of the entire State College Extension Service, that all electric fences present definite safety problems, but home-made electric fence devices are especially dangerous." The State College man said that

the Wilson County child died as a result of coming in contact with a home-made electric fence, which did not allow for the fence wire to be charged intermittently, and which had only a small electric bulb to reduce the amount of current from 110 volt line.

Electric fences manufactured by reliable companies restrict the amount of current, and interrupt the current at regular intervals in order that a person or animal may be freed from contact with the charged wire, usually without fatal damage.

"I repeat the warning which we have frequently issued that an electric fence is extremely dangerous unless it is properly made, correctly installed, and carefully used," Weaver said.

INCREASES

Cash income from farm marketings and government payments in January totaled \$733,000,000, a rise of nearly \$100,000,000 over the income and payments of the same month a year earlier.

LAND POSTED SIGNS AT THE TIMES OFFICE

Rumanian Troops Rushed to Guard Oil



Germany's challenge to the Rumanian government's ban on the export of aviation gasoline to the Reich has resulted in many of Rumania's 200,000 reserve troops being called to concentration centers. Rumania is reported to have 1,600,000 men under arms, ready for any eventuality.

ORCHARD GAINS FROM MULCHING

Farmers To Be Allowed Practice Payments Under 1940 Agricultural Conservation Program.

North Carolina farmers will be allowed a practice payment of \$1.50 under the 1940 agricultural conservation program for mulching their bearing orchards, according to H. R. Niswonger, extension horticulturist at State College.

Two tons of air-dried straw or an equivalent in mulching material, excluding barnyard and stable manure, will be required per acre. The material must be hauled into the orchard and may consist of straw, hay, leaves, wood shavings, or other organic matter which has a good water-holding capacity.

Payment will not be allowed if any of the mulching material or material produced on the orchard land in 1940 from grasses, legumes, or cover crops is taken from the land.

Niswonger explained that the materials should be thick enough to check the growth of grass or other legumes or other vegetation. Likewise, it should be applied not closer than two feet from the trunk of the tree and as far out as the branches extend.

The quantity of mulch to apply to each tree at the rate of two tons to the acre will depend upon the size of the tree or the spread of its branches. Most North Carolina apple orchards average 50 trees to the acre.

If straw or similar material is used, each tree will require approximately one bale, of 70 to 80 pounds, if the trees are of medium size. Small bearing trees may require less than one bale, and large mature trees may need two to three bales.

Mulching aids bearing fruit trees by maintaining a supply of moisture, preventing erosion, improving the size and color of the fruit, and providing an abundance of humus and organic matter for the soil.

DEMONSTRATIONS

Pasture demonstrations are being set up in Anson County this year both with beef cattle growers and dairymen, reports Clarence Early, assistant farm agent.

Many Accidents Caused By Speed

Raleigh, Mar. 14. — "Entirely too many accidents occur on North Carolina streets and highways because somebody is driving too fast," Ronald Hocutt, Director of the Highway Safety division, stated recently in discussing the problem of speed.

"The 1939 accident record for this state shows," Hocutt said "that drivers who were exceeding the speed limit were involved in 796 traffic accidents, 188 of which resulted fatally. In addition, speed too fast for conditions entered into a number of other fatal accidents. It is safe to say that at least one in every four traffic fatalities in North Carolina last year were directly attributable to speeding.

"This most common of all accident causes must be curbed if our streets and highways are ever to be safe. The Highway Safety division urges all motorists to cooperate in reducing the great number of deaths caused by speeding and asks all enforcement officers of the state to wage an unceasing war on speeding drivers."

Star's Court Scene Taken From Life

When Charles Laughton plays a courtroom scene in his new comedy drama, "Sidewalks of London", now playing at the Dolly Madison theatre, in which he is co-starred with Vivien Leigh, moviegoers will be interested to

know that the scene was taken from real life.

It seems that a busker, or cockney street entertainer, the role which Laughton essays in the picture, was hauled up in Bow Street Court on a charge of begging. Indignant, he insisted that he was an artist, not a beggar and lunched into the soliloquy from "Hamlet."

The magistrate permitted him to continue, and concluded that since both John Gielgud and the busker recited the famous soliloquy for a living, Bow Street was no place to decide between them.

Laughton, there to study types for the picture, was so delighted with the performance, that he

copied the scene for the picture, but he will use Kipling's "If" instead of Shakespeare's soliloquy. "Sidewalks of London" was produced by Erich Pommer for Paramount Pictures.

LIVESTOCK

Large supplies of feed and feeding rations resulted in a 7.4 per cent increase in the number of grain-consuming animal units on American farms during 1939.

UPWARD

National income turned upward in 1939, the net value of goods and services produced being estimated at \$68,500,000,000 ac-

ording to the U. S. Department of Commerce.

Dolly Madison

THEATRE ADVANCE PROGRAM

From Thursday, March 14 thru Saturday, March 16

Motion Pictures Are Your Best Entertainment

Thursday - Friday, March 14-15
Charles Laughton - Vivien Leigh ("Scarlett O'Hara") Leigh with Rex Harrison - Larry Adler, in

"Sidewalks of London" (First Run)

Your chance to see the year's greatest discovery, Vivien Leigh, star of "Gone With the Wind", in the show that has everything!

Miniature: "Mendelssohn's Wedding March"
Music Hall Varieties: "Yankee Doodle Home"

No Morning Shows;
Afternoons daily 3:15-3:45;
Evening daily 7:15-9:00;
Admission 10-25c

Saturday, March 16

Tex Ritter, in

"Westbound Stage" (First Run)

Episode No. 6 of the serial "Zorro's Fighting Legion" ("Zorro to the Rescue") with Reed Hadley - Sheila Darcy - William Corson
Unusual Occupations No. 3 (In Color)

Continucus Shows Starting at 2:30. Admission 10-25c.

Special Shows Saturday Morning 10:30 - Saturday Night 11:30 - March 16

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Cartoon in Color: "Peacé on Earth"

Special Morning Show
Friday 10:30;
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Admission 10-25c;
Evening daily 7:15-9:00;
Admission 10-30c

Saturday, March 16
Tim McCoy as "Lightning Bill Carson", with Jill Martin, in
"Trigger Fingers"
Episode No. 2 of the serial "The Green Hornet"
("Thundering Terror") with Gordon Jones - Keye Luke - Anne Nagel
Terrytoon in Color: "Hook, Line and Sinker"
Matinee 2:30-4:00; Admission 10-25c; Evening 6:45 - 8:15 - 9:30. (Box office opens at 6:30.)
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