

Flea-Beetles Are Doing Much To Damage Plant Beds

Reports received by the County Agent's office indicate that damage to tobacco plant beds from flea-beetles has been widespread throughout the county during the recent cold, damp weather.

While flea-beetle attack may be prevalent throughout the plant bed period, the young plants are most susceptible to injury during the first ten days following seed germination. It is advisable, therefore, not to remove the cover more often than is absolutely necessary during this period; for when the plant bed is open there is opportunity for flea beetles to enter and begin egg laying. Too much emphasis cannot be placed upon the construction of tight beds as an aid to reducing flea beetle injury. Plant-bed side-walls of boards should be tightly fitted at all joints and well banked with dirt on the outside. The cloth cover should have at least 25 strands per linear inch and fitted so that there is no opening between the cover and the top of the side-walls. Every effort should be made to keep the flea beetles out of the bed.

However, if flea beetles get in a plant bed, the following control is recommended—Use One Percent Rotonone Dust: This insecticide may be applied by means of a hand-operated duster or by a bellows type hand duster, at the rate of one-half pound to 100 sq. yds. of plant bed surface. Repeat applications about every four days until complete control is obtained. If the plant bed cover is dry, and a good dust gun is used with sufficient force the application may be made through the cloth. However, unless the dust gun will force the dust through the cloth, the application may be made while the cloth is removed, directly to the plants. Rotonone dust is not expensive, it is not poisonous to human beings nor animals, and is perhaps the most efficient insecticide used for all chewing insects.

Rotonone will control flea beetles, Mexican bean beetles, cabbage worms and similar leaf-eating insects. It may be applied to very tender leaves, without any danger of burning them. It is widely used to destroy insects on flowers, as well as on vegetables and other plants.

DAMAGED

The past winter did an extensive amount of damage to such semi-hardy perennials in Lincoln county as roses, crepe myrtles, and crepe jasmines, reports Assistant Farm Agent J. W. Webster.

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Animal Diseases Theme Of Clinic

Raleigh, April 25.—Seeking to control a newly-recognized, death-dealing malady of dairy herds, "mastitis," and arrest serious breeding diseases the State Department of Agriculture has completed veterinary clinics throughout North Carolina in an effort to enhance the value of dairy animals and protect farmers from further losses, Commissioner of Agriculture W. Kerr Scott reports.

Clinics have been conducted at the State Hospital, Morganton; Jackson Training School, Concord; N. C. C. W. Dairy, Guilford College; State Hospital, Raleigh and the Caswell Training School, Kinston. The control program has been conducted under the supervision of Dr. William Moore, chief of the Department's veterinary division, with two of the state's best known authorities on "mastitis" and breeding diseases in charge. Three-fourths of the practicing veterinarians in the State attended the clinics.

"An examination of nearly 400 dairy animals throughout the State indicates the necessity of controlling mastitis and breeding problems if North Carolina is to increase its dairy industry," Commissioner Scott said. "The principal value of prevention and control work on these diseases will greatly increase the milk production of the dairy animals and greatly prolong the useful life of the cows."

Dr. Moore reported that "mastitis is a disease that can be controlled through the proper supervision and management of herds," adding that "the Department has received full cooperation of the dairy extension office at State College and other state institutions."

Although mastitis control was emphasized at the clinics, herd managers and veterinarians also devoted a major part of the disease-eradication and control discussions to a study of breeding problems that have cost farmers thousands of dollars in loss of animals each year.

LIME

Mitchell county farmers have placed orders for 2,227 tons of ground agricultural lime stone under the grant-of-aid provision of the 1940 Agricultural Conservation program.

HANDICRAFTS

Four-H club boys of Sampson county are being taught to make such useful articles as anvils, tarring drags, tables, filing boxes, book cases, book ends, work benches, and tool cabinets.

Horton Has Plans For Next Week Over This State

Raleigh, N. C., April 25—One of the major developments of the past week in the campaign of Lieutenant Governor Wilkins P. Horton, of Pittsboro, for the Democratic nomination for Governor, was his statewide meeting of the members of his headquarters staff, from the various sections of North Carolina, together with the county managers, at the Sir Walter Hotel in Raleigh, Friday afternoon and a dinner meeting Friday night.

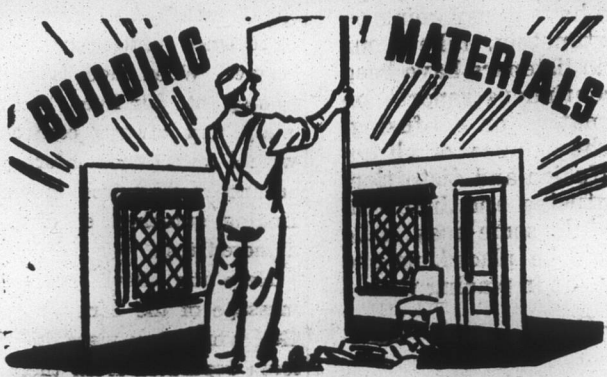
At the banquet, attended by more than 100 political leaders, Lieutenant Governor Horton delivered an address on a statewide hookup. In this message, his first statewide speech of the campaign, Mr. Horton reviewed his acts and services as a State Senator and as Lieutenant Governor during a greater part of the past twenty

years. He appealed to the people of North Carolina to determine his qualifications "as a public servant and as a private citizen in the service of the Democratic party."

"I invite you to look at the journal of our State Senate," said Mr. Horton, "and investigate for yourself the record of my service there." He advocated continuance and improvement of the program of public service in the State, maintaining that this can be done without injury to its financial structure.

State Campaign Manager Daniel L. Bell, who presided over the dinner meeting and the afternoon conference, declared that reports submitted from managers in all parts of the State indicated that success of the Horton candidacy is certain. "I am absolutely confident that Wilkins P. Horton is going to be nominated for the Governorship," he said.

Senator H. P. Taylor, of Wadesboro, Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee in 1939, introduced Lieutenant Governor Hor-



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ton, and predicted that he will be the next Governor. Optimistic talks were made by many members of the organization from all parts of the State at the afternoon and night meetings.

It was announced that Mr. Horton will deliver five more addresses on a statewide radio hookup in the remaining Friday nights before the first primary May 25.

For this week an active schedule of speaking engagements for Mr. Horton was arranged as follows:

Monday, April 22, at 1:00 P. M., public meeting in Hoke County courthouse in Raeford; Tuesday, April 23, at 8:00 p. m., annual address at Pollocksville school, Jones County; Wednesday, April 24, at 8:00 P. M., public meeting in county courthouse in Beaufort, Carteret County; Thursday, April 25, at 6:30 P. M., meeting of Enfield Lions Club; Friday, April 26, at 7:30 P. M. address (to be broadcast over statewide radio hookup) in Washington, Beaufort County; Saturday, April 27, at 4:00 P. M., address in Ahoskie, and at 8:00 P. M., speech in Hertford.

GEORGE KANE NAMED TO BUILDING CODE COUNCIL

George W. Kane, of this city was appointed to the state building code council Friday by Gov. Clyde R. Hoey.

Kane will represent general contractors on the council.

Besides Kane, Governor Hoey also named Walter W. Hook of Charlotte to represent the architects, Prof. Harry Tucker of Raleigh to represent structural engineers, C. A. Fink of Salisbury to represent organized labor and W. H. Sullivan of Greensboro to represent plumbing and heating contractors.

Governor Hoey stated that the old building code council had not functioned for years and the terms of all its members had expired.

RECORD

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