

WEED CONTROL
PROGRAM GIVENIdaho County-Agent Dis-
tricts to Have Dem-
onstrations Soon

BOISE, Ida., Mar. 11.—A program of demonstrations on weed control and eradication will be carried out by all county agent districts this season, according to C. B. Ahlson, field agronomist and state seed commissioner, who will devote a major portion of his time to the weed problem of the state. Some non-county agent districts will employ weed supervisors to enforce the weed program outlined by the county commissioners. Agents in other counties will employ a weed supervisor in addition to the county agent.

Never before has there been such general interest in the state in weed control and eradication. Weeds have been spreading at an alarming rate and farmers are beginning to realize the danger of this spread. This further is evidenced by a large and rapidly increasing demand for information on identification and control.

Weed Bulletin Published
In 1926, Miss Jessie C. Ayres, state seed analyst, H. W. Hulbert, professor of agronomy and agronomist of the experiment station, and C. B. Ahlson, field agronomist in the extension service, and seed commissioner for the experiment station, published Extension Bulletin No. 42, Idaho Weeds, How to Know and Control Them. The bulletin contains drawings and photographs of forty weeds common in Idaho fields. Copies may be obtained from the county agent offices or from the university and extension division, Boise. The bulletin also contains a discussion of the seed and weed laws.

General Methods of Control
The department of agronomy has been conducting experimental work in weed control for several years. Most of this work was carried on with farmers under actual farm conditions. This being possible through the cooperation of the following county agents: R. E. Brosard, Twin Falls county, O. S. Fletcher, formerly of Latah county, J. W. Barber, Cassia county and R. N. Irvine, Kootenai county. Although the bulk of the work was carried on with these men, many suggestions were secured from county agents in other counties.

Clean cultivation is the only method that can be generally recommended. The disc plow, knife or blade weeder should be used on the patch or area once a week, or at least often enough to keep the green growth from appearing above the surface of the soil. This plan of cultivation has resulted in the eradication of Canada thistle in a single season, but with morning glories two or more years may be necessary.

The fact that many farmers do not have the patience to continue clean cultivation and the fact that weeds cannot be controlled on ditch banks by clean cultivation has resulted in the initiation of investigations and experiments with chemicals as a less laborious and a more effective method of control. Among the chemicals that have given excellent control, and in many instances effected complete eradication of patches of perennial weeds, are carbon-bisulphide of salt.

Chemicals to Be Used
A number of chemicals used so far have given excellent results in some counties under ideal conditions of soil moisture and texture. The stage of growth of the plant is a factor in obtaining eradication. Carbon bisulphide is a heavy liquid used to kill morning glory. It is poured into the soil at the rate of two ounces per hole, 12 to 18 inches deep, two feet each way in staggered rows. The application should be made about the time the first bloom appears, the last of May to the middle of June. This chemical is recommended for small patches only because of the expense—\$200 on an acre bank.

Salt is giving good results. Approximately 70 carloads were used in 1926 in Twin Falls, Cassia, Jerome, Minidoka, Blaine and Bonanza counties. The salt companies of Utah and the railroads gave reduced rates on salt purchased in quantities. Salt is recommended on weed patches along fence rows and ditch banks, at the rate of one pound per square foot. The area is cleaned off and the salt shoveled on and incorporated into the soil by hoeing or shallow spading. Water is applied from the irrigation ditch to dissolve the salt. The application may be made any time of the year, preferably in the fall so the winter moisture will dissolve the salt. The total cost of material per acre amounts to about \$150. The cost may be reduced this season by ordering salt in large shipments. K. M. G. (kills morning glory) and sodium chlorate are two other chemicals which have given excellent results under some conditions. These chemicals are applied to the weed in the form of a fine spray.

Demonstration of the effectiveness of these chemicals will be conducted on weed patches in county agent districts or counties having weed supervisors. The fact that accurate records must be kept on all demonstrations makes it necessary to confine the work to counties having men who can properly supervise the work and report results.—University of Idaho college of agriculture and U. S. department of agriculture cooperating.

Baby twins at Lancaster, Pa., are named Grace and Calvin Coolidge Girvin.

HERE'S WHERE THIS BIRD GETS OFF

Barbers Plan Style
For Masculine Hair

INDIANAPOLIS, Mar. 11. (AP)—A haircut was just a haircut until woman invaded the barber shop and demanded modes in haircutting.

Now man is to have his choice of haircut styles just as definite as those from which woman chooses. Henceforth, under plans of the journeymen barbers' union, his periodic trip to the barber is to be a source with Dame Fashion.

The union will educate male patrons to have their hair cut to a style adaptable to head and facial contour. Later, says Jacob Fisher, president, a board of fashion arbiters may be established and new styles created.

In the Victorian days the barber's artistic urge found outlet in the trimming of beards to conform with the patron's personality, through the grooming of goatees and sideburns. The barren joy ended that. But again, after many years, men's hair-cutting is to be an art as well as a trade.

Squirrel Poison
Work Undertaken

WALLOWA, Ore., Mar. 11. (Special)—A considerable amount of poisoning of ground squirrels is being done by farmers in many parts of the county. Some reports state that results from poisoning are not yet very satisfactory due in part to the frequent rain and snow

storms, which soon wash away or cover the poisoned grain. Farmers say that in going over ground where they had distributed poison on top of the snow, that only a few dead squirrels were noticed. A rather unusual occurrence for this early in the season is reported, in who inflicted some heavy defeats on a number of litters of young squirrels. In most years the young do not appear until considerably later in the season.

The verb 'wallop' was added to the dictionary from the name of Sir John Waller, a British soldier early in the century, in who inflicted some heavy defeats on the French.

Six American, two Canadian, three Spanish, two French, six Italian, five Belgian coins, one German mark and a street car pass between Philadelphia and Wilmington, Delaware, were found in a collection taken at St. Patrick's Catholic church in London.

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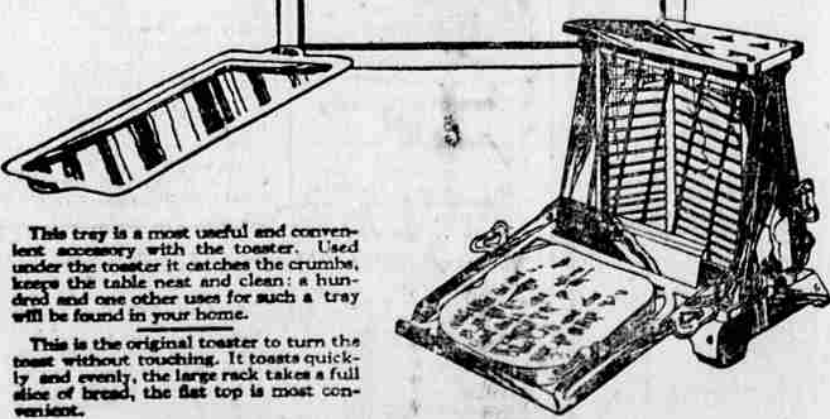
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Gloom Prevails
In Wet Business
Over the Waters

EDINBURGH, Scotland, March 11. (AP)—Gloom prevails in the whiskey business. Consumption of spirits has been on the decline, and the Scotch output this season will be the smallest in a great many years.

Whiskey is to be cheaper, too. The reduction will approximate a penny a drink over the bar.

In 1925 consumption of British-made spirits fell from 23,000,000 to 11,250,000 gallons. This is attributed partly to a lower tax on foreign wines, consumption of wines having increased from 9,883,000 gallons in 1916 to 16,830,000 gallons in 1926.

On the whole the distilling industry is in dire straits, being affected more or less by the prohibition enforcement campaign in the United States. There are not nearly so many master bootleggers' representatives here as formerly.

Many distillers have not begun operations at all this season, and this is resulting in widespread unemployment and threatens to seriously affect the agricultural industry, which sells its produce to the distillers.

Snow Melting in
Wallowa County

WALLOWA, Ore., Mar. 11. (Special)—The warm weather of the past several days has caused the snow to melt rapidly in all sections of the county. However, the greater part of the winter wheat areas in the dry farming sections are still covered with a blanket of several inches of snow. This condition appears quite favorable at this time, as during the past two nights some very hard freezing has occurred. In past years any damage to winter wheat crops from freezing, has in most cases occurred in the early spring following the melting of the snow leaving the ground abundantly soaked with moisture, severe freezing then causing the ground to bulge considerably and often resulting in much damage to wheat crops by the roots being pulled loose or broken off.

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Produced 17,600
Cars of Apples

WENATCHEE, Wash., Mar. 11. Apple storage holdings in the Wenatchee district March 1 totaled 1339 cars in cold storage and 50 cars in common storage, a total of 1440 cars compared with 1538 cars a year ago, it was announced by Bert Baker, secretary of the Wenatchee Valley Traffic association.

Yakima is reported to have had

2734 cars on hand March 1, bringing the total holdings of the two districts to 4174 cars compared with 5,529 cars a year ago, a reduction of 1400 cars.

Adding the storage holdings of this district to the shipments of 15,982 up to March 1 would make the total crop 17,422 cars. From this are deducted duplications of 100 cars, already counted. The shipments from Neppel and Coulee, however, are added, making the final total about 17,600 cars. County Assessor Spencer has set valuation figures for all apples

held in storage. Varieties have been averaged in classes as follows: Extra fancy, 163 and larger, 90 cents; fancy, 163 and larger, 74 cents; extra fancy, small, 70 cents and fancy small, 40 cents.

Negro preacher was fined for disturbing the peace with hallelujahs. More proof of the efficacy of silent prayer.

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