

Boll Weevils Threaten Dixie Cotton Yields

ATLANTA (AP)—Boll weevils and the weather may do what legislatures were unable to accomplish last spring—control cotton production in the south.

From practically every section east of the Mississippi river where cotton is grown have come reports of heavy weevil infestation. Heavy rains have caused grass to grow rapidly and aided the spread of weevils.

County farm agents in south Alabama report boll weevils very active and "ready to attack squares as soon as they are large enough."

In Dallas county, which led the state in cotton production prior to weevil infestation, the pests are 50 per cent more active than a year ago.

Spartanburg county, South Carolina, reported a 300 per cent increase in weevil infestation in a period of 10 days.

Union county, South Carolina, sent reports of as high as 500 weevils per acre, which is an extraordinarily heavy infestation.

J. C. Holton, commissioner of agriculture in Mississippi, said weevil infestation in that state is very heavy and will greatly decrease production.

"If the heavy weevil infestation continues," Holton added, "farmers must soon decide whether to sacrifice the feed crops and fight the weevils, or to cultivate the feed crops and intensify their effort to smaller and favored areas."

The pink boll worm has made its appearance in Florida, and fear that it may spread its activities into south Georgia cotton fields has put Georgia agricultural authorities on the alert for a fight against the new pest.

The boll weevil is active in Georgia, but no unusual infestations have been reported to date.

Farm experts attribute the heavy weevil infestation this year to the mild months of the past winter which prevented them from being frozen out in their hiding places.

No estimates of the extent of weevil damage has been made.

CONNECTICUT CLAIMS BREED OF TREE-SITTING FISH

NEW YORK (AP)—Fish come as close to sitting in trees in Connecticut as in any place on the globe.

Spring floods every year leave millions of perch eggs stranded on trees and bushes which have been inundated along the shore.

Vast quantities of the eggs are gathered by netters of the Connecticut state board of fisheries and game. The eggs are incubated and the fry are distributed to lakes and ponds in the state.

FRANCE LIKES BASKETBALL, HERITAGE FROM U. S. FORCES

PARIS (AP)—Basketball has grown in France until it surpasses rugby football in numbers of players.

This is the result of seed sown during the war by Y. M. C. A. physical education directors who came over with the American Expeditionary Forces.

After the war, Gaston Francois, of Montclair, N. J., as physical director of the Methodist Memorial in Paris, pushed the French along and now they are far ahead of all other European countries in the great American basket game.

International contests are beginning. The last season France played three matches with Switzerland, Belgium and Portugal.

By Mrs. A. G. Conklin (Observer Correspondent)

COVE PERSONALS

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COVE (Special)—There was a big celebration here the fourth. The festivities began with a program in the grove: "America," by all anthem, by chorus; invocation, Rev. Clarence Kopp; reading, Maxine Towle; solo, "The Highway to La Grande," M. L. Carter; address of the day, Hugh Brady; song, "Freedom's Banner," by chorus.

People picnicked in groups all over the grounds. After dinner, the races—foot races by the children, a cracker eating contest (won by Leonard Houx from 15 contestants), potato race and barrel race. John Fisher and Almon Geiss distinguished themselves by riding their calves to the finish. Virgil Chaudwick won the barrel race. The ball game was between the married and single men, the latter winning 14 to 13. A. H. Orton and Darrel Pulp had charge of the racing.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Conklin and two daughters, of Santa Barbara, Cal., who have come for the summer have taken the Goley house for a few weeks as they have two cases of whooping cough and are in quarantine.

G. A. Anderson, of La Grande, whose natal day falls on the first of July, celebrated his 90th anniversary with his son, L. E. Anderson, here who celebrates his birthday anniversary on July 6.

Mrs. J. E. Mills and daughter, Dorothy, entertained the Fun and Joy Bridge club at their home Friday, with three tables in play. Guests besides club members were Ruth Morris, of Pomeroy, Wash., a house guest of Miss Vina Conley. A nice lunch was served.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Laird enjoyed a family party on the fourth with all their children at home, Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Richardson and daughter, of Pendleton, Mr. and Mrs. John Miller and family, of Shanghai and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Laird, of La Grande.

Engineer Finds Way To Utilize Hydrogen Fuel

BERLIN (AP)—Karl Erren, an automotive engineer, has revived the hydrogen fuel idea with a specially designed motor.

Hydrogen can be obtained from water by a rather simple electrical decomposition. Engineers have played with this fact for years without ever getting a hydrogen plant to produce cheaply enough to compete with gasoline.

Erren proposes one alternative to bridge this difference in cost. First, he says, the electric power plants of great cities have to let their expensive machinery lie idle much of the time because of the "peak load" situation.

A city wants a big supply of electricity at certain hours of the day and comparatively little at other times. The power plant has to be big enough to supply these "peak" hours.

The idle time Erren would use for decomposing water into hydrogen to be sold as motor fuel. Oxygen, he points out, is now a valuable by-product of such decomposition.

Whether there would still be a market for oxygen in larger quantities remains to be seen.

Says Gas Consumption Lowered

Erren asserts that nitrogen can be collected from the exhaust of a hydrogen motor. He claims that mixing a small amount of hydrogen with gasoline lowers considerably the gasoline consumption of a standard motor. Finally, he says, equally good savings are effected by mixing hydrogen with crude oil and diesel motor fuels.

Erren was a flyer at the western front in the World war.

HOT LAKE PERSONALS

By Harriet MacDonald (Observer Correspondent)

HOT LAKE (Special)—The Fourth of July called many from the sanatorium to places of rest and recreation or to a visit with friends at home.

Some patients who were too ill to leave were cheered by visits from their home folks. Among those vacationing, were Dr. and Mrs. Phy at Union, the Jas. Welch family at Wallowa Lake, Margaret Crew at her home in Parma, small Billy Phy at the Romig home in Baker, Donald Lloyd with a family reunion in Walla Walla, Marjorie Condit with friends in La Grande, Edna Cheney and Mrs. Norma Wheeler in Pendleton and Emmet Lee with his uncle, Jack Brandt, of La Grande up near Wallowa Lake. Dr. and Mrs. Lee, with Miss Jane Holt, joined forces with the Ellis Hess family and Dick Van Houten, of Union, and visited the North Powder lakes.

All are at their places again somewhat the worse for wear so far as sunburn, freckles, and minor bruises are concerned, but happy and well satisfied with their holiday. The Fourth of July and Christmas day are the only days in the year when the bath house closes its doors.

Lee Owsley and his brother, Charles Owsley, of La Grande have changed places. The latter who was in the hospital for several months is now living at home in comparative good health while the former, Lee Owsley, is now in the hospital recovering from a sudden and severe illness which came upon him last week.

Walter Smith, of Spokane, paid a weekend visit to Mrs. Smith who is still in the hospital but improving.

The familiar face of Will Clark, of La Grande, is again seen at the desk where he is substituting for Laud Irwin, the night clerk who is planning on a few days vacation.

John P. Ring, of Portland, who is a convalescent in the hospital with arthritis, received a weekend visit from his mother, Mrs. Jessie King, and brother, Daniel.

Royal Jones, of Cove, is making steady progress towards recovery after his very critical illness of a few weeks ago. He is now up and around the building, but is not yet able to leave the hospital.

Henry Betz, herdsman at Hot Lake, left on Wednesday with the family for a vacation at Yakima and with Mr. Betz' brother at Carnation, Wash. The family may remain longer but Mr. Betz will be gone only a week.

Mrs. Casper received a weekend visit from her son, Eldon, who is employed at Wallula, Wash.

Joe Murphy, who visits here so frequently that he is almost considered one of the sanatorium household, brought his mother, Mrs. N. P. Murphy, from her home in Nampa, to the lake for a few days visit and rest. Mr. Murphy, who built the famous "Memorial Bridge" at Boise and is one of the best known engineers in Idaho, is on his way to attend the state convention of the American Legion at Pocatello and the National Association of American Engineers at Yellowstone park, after which he will return to his mother. He will be accompanied by his sister, Winifred Murphy, who is vocational counselor for the Los Angeles High school.

Owing to a slip of the pen in last week's Hot Lake personals, it was erroneously stated that the famous Kamehameha school for Hawaiian girls at Honolulu cost \$300,000. It should have read \$3,000,000.

Doctors Land Huge Ray

HOUSTON, Tex. (AP)—Three doctors, angling in the gulf, hooked a giant spotted ray measuring seven feet by seven feet and weighing 310 pounds.

One Quail To Five Acres

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP)—Quail in Missouri number about one bird for each five acres of land, a preliminary census for the state game and fish department indicated.

— THIS CURIOUS WORLD —



PHOTOGRAPHING A snowflake requires a steady hand and nerve, for the crystal must be handled with the utmost care to prevent its being broken, and speed is required because a flake evaporates within a few seconds time. Expert photographers of snow crystals have learned to detect a flake's general characteristics at a glance, and do not waste film on those that show no unusual possibilities of design. The greatest variety of shapes fall at the end of a snowstorm.

Color Blindness Is Found Higher In Young Students

AMES, Iowa (AP)—Martin F. Fritz of the Iowa State college department of psychology has examined 2,163 students here for color blindness and found color defective vision in 8.5 per cent of the freshmen, 4.9 per cent of graduate men, 5 per cent of freshman women and none among graduate women.

He declares it is difficult to explain the lower percentage of color blindness among graduate students, but says "this may have something to do with the fact that 92 of the 94 color-blind freshmen are distributed 30 in the upper half and 62 in the lower half of the freshman aptitude test."

Fritz adds, however, that "a few of the color-blind students have a high rating on the aptitude test."

More than half of the students reported they were wholly unaware of their visual difficulty and did not suspect any abnormality.

ENTERPRISE PERSONALS

ENTERPRISE, Ore. (Special)—Miss Berline Wilson, of La Grande, is a visitor of Mrs. Harvey Bay's this week.

Miss Dorothy Baker, of Union, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Marion Jordan, of this city.

Miss Marjorie Clayton returned from Corvallis Saturday where she has been attending school. Her brother, Alvin, came from Hermiston with her to spend the weekend.

Miss Myrtle Clayton left Saturday for Seattle to visit friends.

Mrs. L. E. Jordan left last week for Salt Lake City accompanied by her mother-in-law, where she will visit friends.

Fairmount Plans Meeting

ST. LOUIS (AP)—Encouraged by success of the 1931 meeting, Fairmount race track officials have announced a 25-day meeting for this fall, beginning in mid-September.

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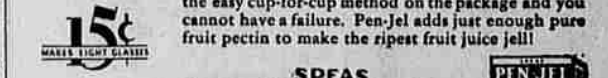
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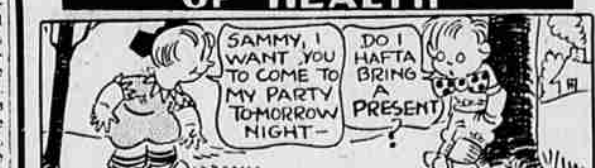
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