

Air War On Grasshoppers In Wyoming, Montana Puts Down Threat Of Plague

By BEN FUNK
DENVER, July 7 (AP) — The air war on grasshoppers in Wyoming and Montana has "temporarily" put down the threat of a plague in the grain belt.

Jim R. Dutton, chief of the U. S. grasshopper control division, emphasized the word "temporary" in an interview today on the results of an airplane poison-spreading campaign against the hungry insects in those states.

The battle isn't over, he says, not by a long shot.

If the Wyoming-Montana hopper armies had been left alone, Dutton declared, they would have made the current Nevada battalions look silly. They would have been fully as tough as the locust swarms that descended on the grain belt in the '20s to lay waste to millions of acres of croplands all the way from Canada to Texas.

"We have killed a whale of a lot of grasshoppers and saved lots of

range grass," Dutton said. "But the million and a half acres we sprayed represent only the primary danger area."

"Outside that area are millions of acres of infested land on which the hoppers are multiplying at a terrific rate."

On these lands, he said, many farmers and ranchers are attacking grasshoppers at their own expense, some of them using planes.

The USDA started the unique aerial campaign against hoppers with a \$1,000,000 appropriation. Congress, prodded by farmers and ranchers, now is considering another, larger emergency fund to carry the campaign to a successful conclusion.

The Nevada herds of full grown migratory grasshoppers have crossed the northwest border of the state on a 70-mile front into the fringes of California and Oregon. Moving at the rate of two to six miles a day, they now cover about a million acres.

There isn't much that can be done now to halt the invasion, Dutton said. Poison has been spread in advance of the insects and a good kill is reported in fields where the grasshoppers land, but often they fly right over the baited areas.

USDA experts are following the hoppers and when they select their egg-laying grounds these will be charted for poison bombing next spring, Dutton said.

The migration peak in Nevada will be reached in about two weeks. Then the adult hoppers will begin dying.

But before that happens the females will lay their eggs and the stage will be set for a new 1950 generation much worse than the one now in action.

Dutton said the destruction of ranges in Montana and Wyoming had caused some "distress" sales of cattle. Receipts at the market in Miles City, Mont., have been heavy. He also reported heavy selling of livestock in the Black Hills region of South Dakota.

Airman Career Program Set By Army

The air force will begin operation of its new "Airman Career Program" within the next few weeks, according to M/Sgt. Clarence E. Moss in charge of the Klamath Falls army and air force recruiting station.

The program, which has been under development for more than a year, will establish a systematic plan of assignment, training and advancement in 38 career fields. New policies will be put into operation gradually on a world-wide basis, with complete conversion before 1950.

Training programs will be revised to meet the requirements of the new program, M/Sgt. Moss revealed. While promotions under the new system will not begin until standards have been set, air force personnel generally may advance in grade by attending service technical training schools, on-the-job training and self-study.

Young men of Klamath Falls who are interested in learning more about these career fields may visit the U. S. army and U. S. air force recruiting station located in the post office building.

Firemen Dash To Six Calls

The city fire department kept practically a continuous run out of the station yesterday afternoon as it answered six calls.

At 12:38 the fire wagon went out to Upham and Uerlings streets to subdue a small grass fire.

The fire boys headed for 2329 S. Sixth at 1:30 and put out a trash fire.

The red wagon parked at Pacific Terrace and Auburn at 1:48 pumping water into another small grass fire.

Then the station received a call at 3:12 to fight a fire on the hill behind Conger school.

And about 5:30 firemen squelched a small grass fire in the 2300 block on Radcliffe street.

At about 7 p. m. a call came in on a car fire, but this turned out to be a false alarm.

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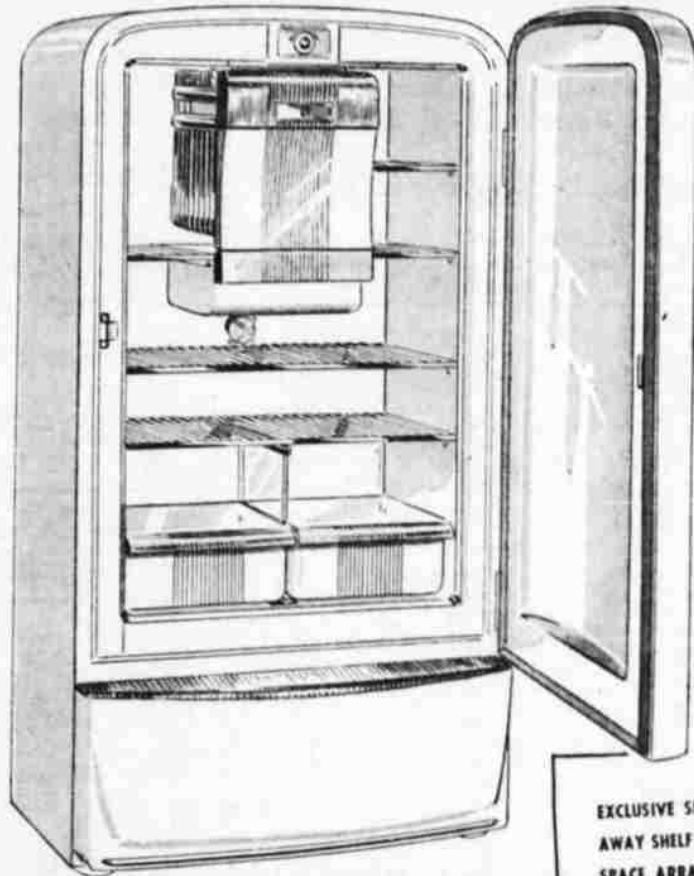
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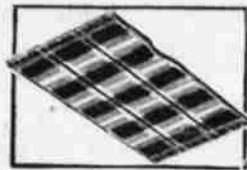


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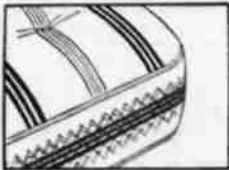


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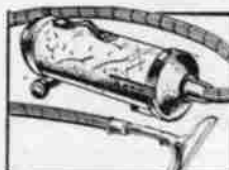
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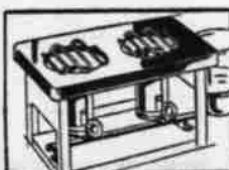
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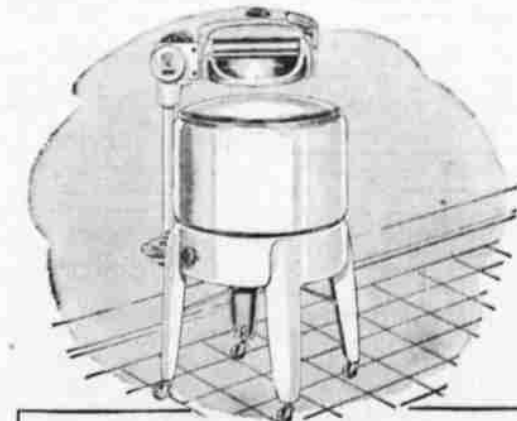
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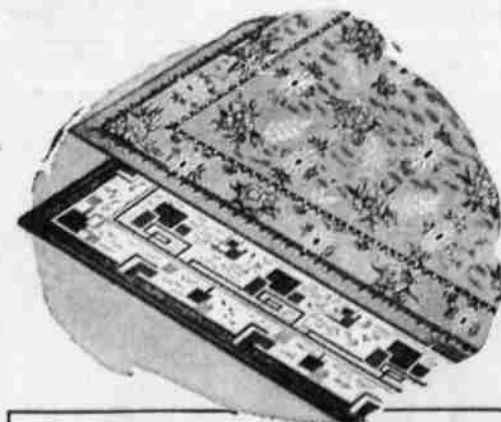
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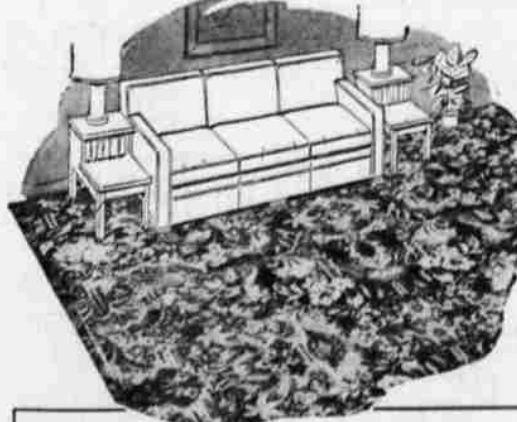
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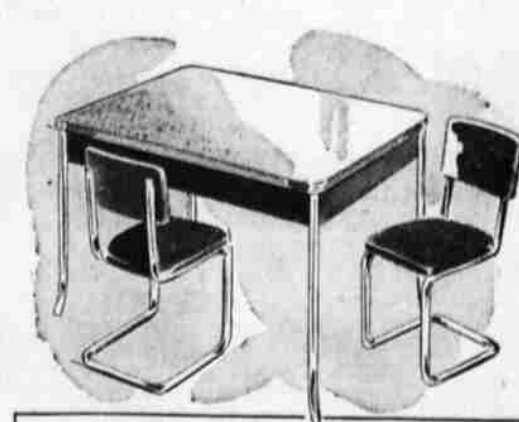
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