

Be on Lookout for Dutch Elm Disease!

The development of an epidemic of Dutch Elm disease in extreme southeastern Nebraska means that homeowners in all parts of the State should be on the lookout for diseased trees.

Preparation to fight the destructive fungus disease should begin with removal and burning of all dead elm wood. Healthy trees should be carefully watered and fertilized. Spraying is not recommended until the fungus has been positively identified in an area. Then spraying should be done in the spring before elm leaves appear. The spray is applied to control elm bark beetles which transmit the disease, according to University of Nebraska Extension specialists.

Dutch elm disease is impossible to identify by sight because it closely resembles other diseases. In an effort to help local people detect the disease, the University of Nebraska College of Agriculture held a training session last winter on the detection and control of Dutch elm disease. County Extension Agents and other local interested individuals from Falls City, Hastings, Lincoln, Omaha, Nebraska City, Auburn, and Columbus attended the session. Since then several Diagnostic Centers have been established in Nebraska.

Contact your County Extension Agent or local Diagnostic Center if a tree shows the following characteristics:

- Wilting and dying branches which contain a brownish coloring of the outer rings of wood.
- Leaves turning yellow or brown with a hanging wilted appearance.
- Evidence of beetle infestations.

In time the disease kills the tree and once infestation occurs it may spread rapidly. Dutch elm disease attacks all kinds of elms but the American elm is most susceptible. Siberian, Chinese, and Busman elms are resistant but not immune.

The fungus which causes Dutch elm disease prevents the flow of water from the roots to the leaves. It results in wilting and dying of trees from the top down.

The fungus is carried chiefly by the smaller European elm bark beetle. The beetles breed in dead elm wood and, if the wood is infected, the fungus can be spread when the beetles feed on healthy trees.

People in Nebraska can begin control measures before infestation occurs. Dead elm wood should be burned and trees should be pruned to destroy breeding places for the beetle.

Once the fungus is present in the area, DDT or methoxychlor should be applied to trees. Spraying should be done with power equipment in the spring before elm trees leaf out, says Robert E. Roselle, University Extension entomologist.

While the disease can wipe out a block of trees at a time, Nebraskans should watch for isolated cases of infection.

Dutch elm disease was first discovered in Holland in 1921, the disease marched across Europe in ten years. It was introduced into the United States some thirty years ago and has spread from the east coast to the middle west. Dr. Glenn Peterson, University plant pathologist, reports. Infestations are prevalent in Kansas, Iowa and thirteen other states.

A Classified Ad in The Journal cost as little as 50 cents.

New Girl Scouts Honored at Picnic

NEHAWKA (Special) — The Nehawka Girl Scouts went for a picnic at Tucker's Park June 28 from 4 to 7:30 p.m. It was given for the 14 new Scouts who joined the organization.

With the money earned by the girls, they purchased a badminton set and net, a volley ball, archer set, girl's softball and bat. Each had an opportunity to play these games before the picnic. The food was planned by the leaders, Mrs. Arthur Johnson and Mrs. Louie Wood. They enjoyed hot dogs, potato chips, graham cracker sandwiches with toasted marshmallows and Hershey bars.

Julie Mitchell said grace. Barbara Mayfield and Catherine Hansen had charge of songs and games.

Connie Johnson and Julie Mitchell served the food. Next meeting is July 8. — Catherine Hansen, reporter.

PROOF ENOUGH

MACON, Ga.—Robert Lee Terrell, needing proof of his age for social security benefits, brought in a 56-pound tombstone.

Not knowing his age, Terrell brought in the tombstone from his mother's grave showing she died in 1901. He said this would prove he was at least 62, and officials agreed with him.

GOOD AND BAD BREAKS

PITTSBURG, Pa.—Robin West, 8, was proud of his good fortune when he peaked at his report card and found that he had passed.

So, overjoyed was he that he leaped into the air and yelled: "Yippee. I passed." But bad luck struck when he landed at the bottom of the stairs receiving a broken ankle.

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Proclamation

WHEREAS on July 4, 1963, the United States will celebrate its 187th birthday; and

WHEREAS the anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence should be observed as a patriotic festival instead of a summer holiday and should be marked with shows, games, sports, ringing of bells, illuminations and parades; and

WHEREAS a national movement known as Make Freedom Really Ring has been instituted to return July 4th to its original significance by ringing every bell across our land at the same appointed hour:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Frank B. Morrison, Governor of the State of Nebraska, do proclaim that July 4, 1963 be signally marked by ringing every bell in Nebraska at 12:00 noon, Central Standard Time, to

MAKE FREEDOM REALLY RING

and do call upon every Nebraska citizen to participate in ringing the bells to let the world know that patriotism lives within the heart of every citizen of this state.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska to be affixed.

By the Governor:
s/ Frank B. Morrison
Secretary of State

Done at the State Capitol, Lincoln, Nebraska this twenty-ninth day of May in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-three.
s/ Frank B. Morrison

Corn Insects Abundant in Cass County

BY CLARENCE SCHMADEKE, County Extension Agent, CORN INSECT ABUNDANT

The day of question has arrived! The question "Will the resistant Western Corn Rootworm be a problem in Cass County this year?"

The answer is a definite YES. Reports all week have flowed into the Extension office of heavy infestation. The type of weather which we have the rest of the growing season, now will be the deciding factor of the effects of the damage done by the troublesome insect pest.



Rock Creek Station
One of Nebraska's historic features is Rock Creek Station about seven miles southeast of Fairbury. The stopping point on the Oregon Trail and on the Pony Express route had importance as a station, a ford, and later a bridge on the Oregon Trail. It also gained a great deal of notoriety and fame in that it was the scene of the shooting of David McCaules by "Wild Bill" Hickok.

The story of Hickok, printed in Harpers in February 1867, is an important part of the fame of "Wild Bill" and this action is important in it.

The Harpers story was repeated with ramifications in many other publications. A few conflicting stories were printed, but it was not until 1927 that a completely different version of the story was printed in Nebraska History magazine. This account rehabilitated the reputation of David McCaules and the McCaules family and cast serious doubts on the truthfulness or the valor of Hickok.

This version of the fight at Rock Creek Station is tellingly portrayed in the Historical Society Museum. In this display McCaules, unarmed, is at the door of the cabin and Hickok, standing behind a curtain or screen across the room, shoots him with a rifle.

After he shot McCaules Hickok shot two other men who worked for McCaules who were attracted to the scene by the shot. He was tried for murder and acquitted in Beatrice a few days later, and the action passed into the area of historical controversy.

The original Hickok story in Harpers had him a Union army scout. He was attacked by a band of ten men led by McCaules who were horse thieves and Confederate supporters. Hickok killed all ten in spite of being both shot and stabbed. The story is obviously false in many of its details.

It is established that three men were killed. This was all of the McCaules group present except for his twelve-year-old son. Hickok was not serving with the army at the time of the fight, and he did not show evidences of having been either shot or stabbed when he was taken to trial three days later.

These, along with a number of other discrepancies, indicate that the story obviously is, to a large degree, a fabrication.

On the other hand, the evidence used in the account published in 1927 indicates that McCaules was a very much respected citizen and a Union sympathizer while Hickok was a questionable character. He murdered McCaules, who was unarmed, in cold blood and without provocation. There is also a strong suggestion that he was in conspiracy with other men to rob McCaules by taking money from the stagecoach company which was to be paid McCaules as rent for the station.

The revision is a more accurate account of events. People interested in the story of the McCaules fight, however, are still searching for information before the final authentic version of this famous and interesting event is told.

BULLET IN STOMACH
Bessemer, Ala.—Charles Reeves, 36, hitch-hiker from his home decided to stop in Springfield, Mo., and have a doctor check the pain he was having in his stomach. The doctor found a bullet lodged in his abdomen.

Reeves told police he had been in a tavern brawl two weeks earlier but thought somebody had punched him in the stomach. He was unaware of the gunshot wound.

BAD BOY AN HONEST MAN
Crossett Ark.—As a boy he shot out some street lights. Now as a man, he sent \$5 to Mayor Vaskell Carter to pay for them.

In a letter he said if this was not enough to cover the damages he would send more.

The Mayor refused to reveal the man's name.

Corn can recover from heavy root chewing but good moisture conditions and adequate fertility will be necessary for this recovery to take place. Corn is a rugged plant. In one field checked Friday, June 28, four different kinds of insects were working in a field near Weeping Water.

Even though one of the recommended corn rootworm chemicals was applied at recommended rate a heavy corn rootworm infestation was present.

In addition to corn rootworms, black cut worms were still active. Corn root aphids were abundant, and signs of European Corn borer activity were present.

The corn plants were still alive and trying to recover. Needless to say, "This field of corn was taking a beating" and by now has been replanted to soybeans.

Many corn producers have their fingers crossed these days. A few days of hot dry winds would be disastrous.

MUSK THISTLE
If seed of musk thistle develops even though ailed, a good percentage of it will be viable, reports John Furrer, University of Nebraska Extension agronomist. The seed will be killed by spraying or cutting during the bloom stage.

BLACK CUTWORMS
Black cutworms often chew corn stalks below the soil, according to observations by University of Nebraska Extension specialists.

Robert E. Roselle, Extension entomologist, saw one field where black cutworms had reduced the stand and were feeding just above the root crown.

You And The Law

(One of a series "You and the Law" prepared by the Nebraska State Bar Association).

FIREWORKS

A new law dealing with fireworks is now in effect in Nebraska. This law requires any person selling fireworks to have a license. It also tells what fireworks can be sold, possessed or discharged. Penalties are provided for violation of the law.

Permitted fireworks are described in the act. These include sparklers, vesuvius fountains, spray fountains, torches, color fire cones and color wheels. Also included are star and comet type color aerial shells without an explosive charge for the purpose of making a noise.

Noisemakers include only toy cap pistols and toy caps with a limited explosive charge. This explosive charge is quite small. This list is not all-inclusive for other fireworks may be approved by the State Fire Marshal if after testing them he finds them safe for general use.

Only these fireworks may be sold generally to the public. This does not mean that public displays of fireworks are forbidden. Fireworks may be sold and discharged for the purpose of public exhibitions or displays. This includes any public exhibition or display under the auspices of any governmental subdivision of the state, any fair or any agricultural society. It would appear that any fireworks may be used for these purposes.

Distributors, jobbers or retailers must be licensed. A retailer can only buy fireworks from licensed distributors or jobbers. All licenses must be obtained from the State Fire Marshal. The price of a retailer's license is five dollars. The sale at retail must be within the limits of an incorporated city or village and retail sales are limited to the period between June 24 and July 5.

Punishment for violation of the act varies with the nature of the violation. A licensed person can be punished by fine, imprisonment and loss of license. A person selling fireworks without a license can be punished more severely than a person who is in possession of illegal fireworks. The former can be fined and imprisoned and the latter can only be fined.

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SAFETY EVERY WEEK

National Farm Safety Week, July 21-27, is a good time for farm families to stop and think of the fact that safety is a family affair, says Rollin Schneider, University of Nebraska Extension farm safety specialist.

THE DRIVER'S SEAT



Stop for a minute and do some dreaming. Pretend this isn't 1963 but 1988, pretend you are a millionaire and ready to take off for a drive in the country.

What would driving be like? Chances are that you could have a dial-a-map service that would allow you to dial a number on your phon-a-vision and ask for the best roads to your destination. Zip. A map of the way would be printed in seconds and sent to you through a transmitting device on your phon-a-vision, with the route already marked. You wouldn't have to have a key to start your car. Just the sound of your voice would do that.

There wouldn't be such a thing as a driving wheel. The car would respond to shifts in the weight of your body. If you wanted to turn to the right, you would lean that way. To the left, you would lean to port.

Near your destination, you could throw the car into its electro-mesh-hydraulic - aerial control, a small box that responds to a small beep from signals that beep-beep from wires embedded in the roadway.

But the best part of the trip would come when you checked your fuel gauge. If it looked low, all you would have to do is open up a small pill box in the glove compartment and drop a pill in the fuel tank, which would be conveniently buried in the steering shaft of your car.

Flat tires? Never. Tires then probably will be made of flaked steel welded into a soft, lumpy mass that never wears out.

Now all you have to do to enjoy this millennium is survive for the next 25 years on today's highways.

COMMENT

by L. A. Caldwell
4TH OF JULY

These days much of our lives have been taken over by the researchers. . . and by statistics. Advertising agencies hire researchers to tell them if people want a product, before the people have ever heard of it. Politicians tell us whom we're going to vote for before we vote.

Statistics have become so much a part of business that the kind of rugged individualist who built so many successful businesses would have a hard time getting a job with them today. He wouldn't fit the statistical pattern.

Maybe it's a good thing our ancestors didn't pay so much attention to statistics. Historians tell us that no more than a third of the colonists were in favor of the revolution. Just as many were against it, and the rest didn't care one way or the other. If they had run a survey, the whole thing would have been called off. The spirit of '76 would be unknown. . . and July 4th would be just another day in the month.

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