

Horseshoeing demonstration given for 4-H horse club

By Martha Corker
On Tuesday, July 23, the Halton 4-H Horse Club held its fourth meeting at Green Hills Farm. Fourteen members were present.

Mr. Bartman, the blacksmith, showed us how he was going to shoe a horse with a broken wingbone (a bone in the horse's hoof) so that the hoof would hold up under work. The x-rays were available for all to see.

Mr. Bartman cut a piece of heavy rubber to the shape of the horse's hoof so that it would sit just to the inside of the shoe. A piece of leather was then placed on top of the rubber. This was to prevent the sole of the hoof from dropping.

A special shoe with four side clips (to keep the hoof from expanding) was then nailed onto the rubber and the leather.

The blacksmith told members it would take a year of rest before the horse would be ready to begin work again.

Mr. Bartman then gave a talk on the different types of shoes and shoeing, the parts of the hoof and how often a horse's feet should be trimmed. The last, they were told, depends on how hard they ride their horses but is generally every four to six weeks.

A representative of the Master Horse Feeds was the second guest speaker.

He told of the nutrients that were required to keep a horse healthy, how much of these nutrients were needed and what happens if there is a deficiency of these nutrients.

The representative also gave 12 general rules for good feeding.

Present gifts
Courtesy of the Master Horse Feeds, the members present were given a health chart, a memo book, a pencil, a hoof pick with a bit hanger, several pamphlets on feeding and a tape measure used for measuring the height and weight of a horse.

The members of the 4-H Horse Club were reminded that their special projects and record books are due on quiz night which is Sept. 3.

The members of the presentation committee (quiz night) and of the display committee decided that a meeting will be held at Cathy McDougall's on Wednesday, July 31, at 8 p.m.

The next meeting of the 4-H Horse Club will be held at Debbie McMillan's on Tuesday, August 27 at 8 p.m.

Small flies spell trouble

Each year, about this time, vegetable gardeners encounter small which flies on their tomatoes.

If warm temperatures are present, these insects can go through a life cycle in two to three weeks so you can understand why you have so many so quickly.

To control white flies on tomatoes and cucumbers, use malathion once a week for three weeks. Remember to wait the one day waiting period from treatment to picking. An all-purpose household spray should give relief to indoor plants bothered by the white fly.

These sucking insects also will attack indoor plants and are frequently found on the undersurface of the leaves. Their feeding causes the leaves to become mottled or turn yellow and die.

Dutch Elm disease was thought to have travelled to Canada from the Netherlands in a shipment of logs about 1930.



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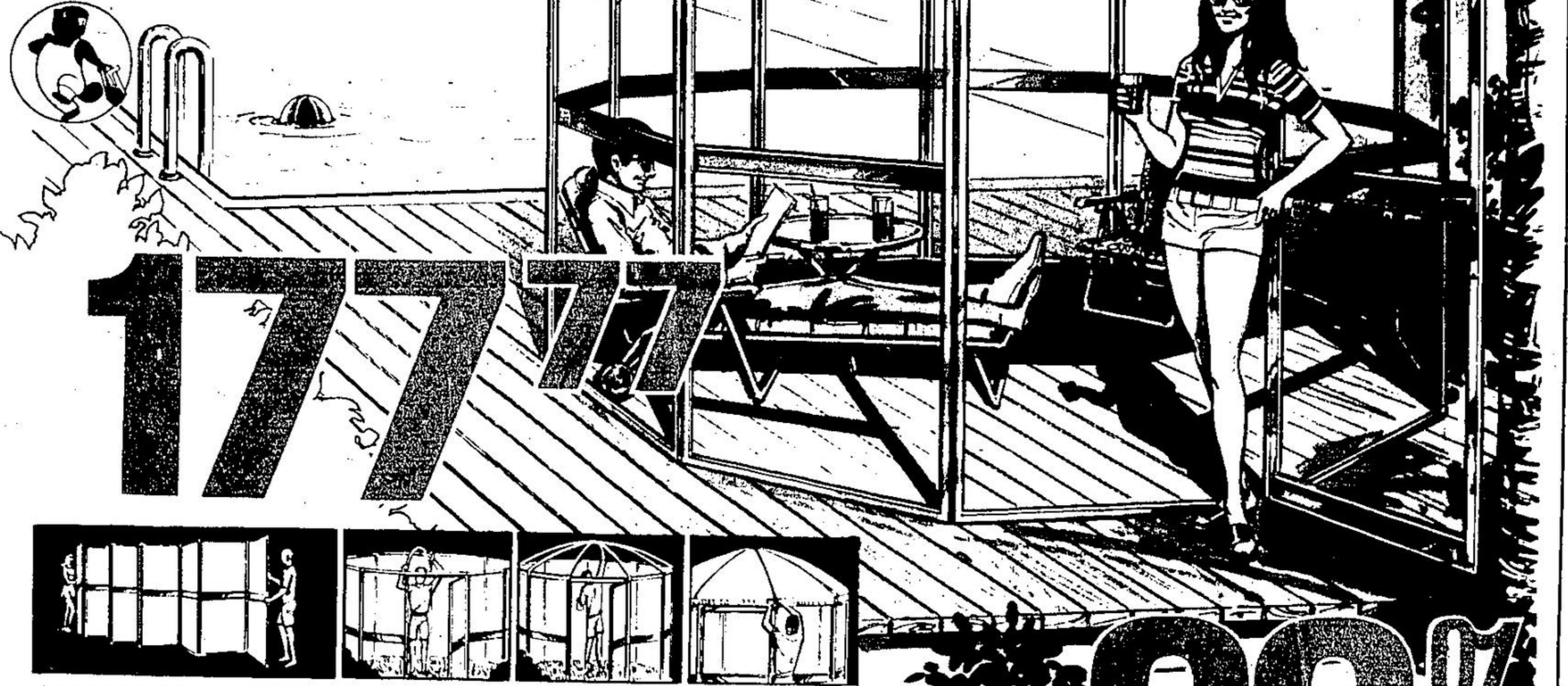
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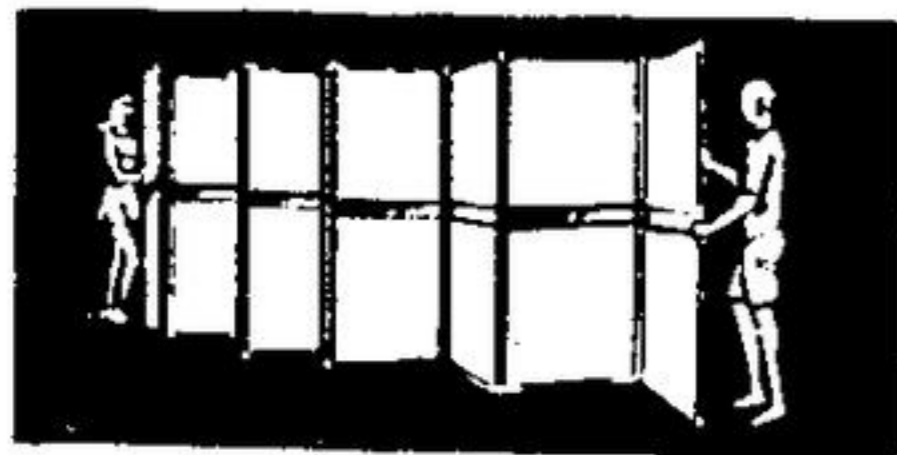
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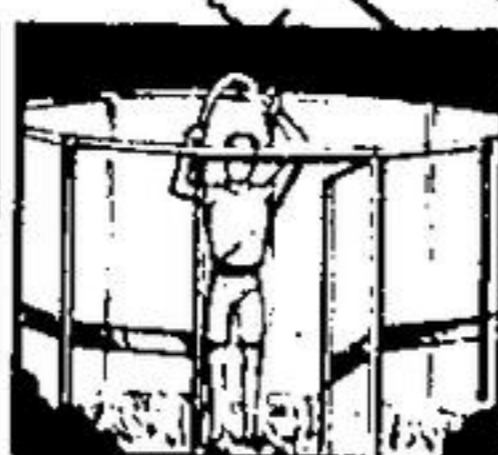
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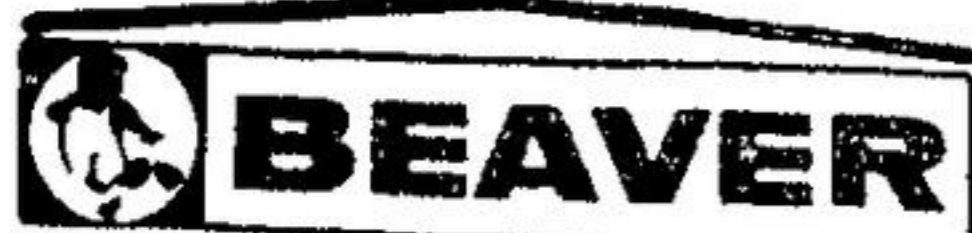
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