

# Cutworms Make Inroads in Local Vegetable, Plant Crop

W...ing that a cutworm invasion has reached epidemic proportions, E. Estabrooks, the Halton County Agriculture office said this week that vegetable growers and home gardeners have been "experiencing problems" with cutworm damage in the last few weeks. Cutworms have a "dusky" gray fat bodies which are from three quarters of an inch to one and a half inches long.

They are destructive because of their habit of biting through the stems of herbaceous plants at ground level.

Several retail outlets selling garden and plant "equipment" many home gardeners have returned to buy seed for a second planting.

"Each year cutworms cause some damage when plants are young and tender," Estabrooks said. This year they are eating through vegetable and flower gardens at a rate that is causing alarm.

The common species of cutworms, which will later develop into moths, are the climbing and subterranean cutworms.

Agricultural officials say one of the reasons the cutworm is on the increase this year is because it is no longer possible to use DDT to kill the pest.

The Halton agriculture office reports: "Due to the restricted use of DDT in Ontario there is no insecticide recommended for control of the cutworm."

A common measure used to

control the climbing and other above-ground-feeding cutworms is a bran bait containing an insecticide like carbaryl (Sevin). The bait is mixed with water and molasses and spread in the evening when cutworm feeding takes place.

Hand sprays over the rows using carbaryl can also be used to control the pest. One of the most popular insecticides being sold is Niagara Ant and Grub Killer, with five per cent chlordane dust.

Cutworms attack many types of vegetables as well as ornamental plants such as marigolds, chrysanthemums, and rock garden plants.

It is recommended that to protect individual plants a collar of cardboard should be

slipped around the stem, one inch below the soil and two inches above it.

Ontario home gardening expert William Davidson reported this week that "1970 looks like a good year for insect population. The abundance of rainfall and the odd warm days has aphids, tent caterpillars and the privet saw flies already on the move."

## BRIDGE CLUB

With director 'Duke' Wilson in hospital in Hamilton and director Bob Dickson unable to present that night, Art Norris and Bob Williams of Brampton stepped into the breach and were in charge of last week's session of the duplicate bridge club.

North-South winners were J. Coats and Vi Naylor; 2nd, Art Norris and Bob Williams; 3rd Mrs. Hazel Lee and Syd Heller; 4th, Mike Lorusso and Dick Prust.

East-West: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Biehn; 2nd Cam Sinclair, Mrs. Leo Kistemaker; 3rd, Mrs. George Walker, Mrs. Bob Barber; 4th, Mrs. 'Gob' Collier, Mrs. Nellie Goldham.

Mr. Wilson, who suffered a heart attack while playing in a tournament in Hamilton the previous Sunday, has made a good recovery and was able to return home last Friday.

## BENNETT NOW DETECTIVE

A former constable on the Milton OPP Detachment, Bill Bennett of Streetsville has been promoted to the rank of Detective Sergeant with the Ontario Provincial Police Anti-Racket Division, as a plain clothes officer.

Sgt Bennett began his police work with the RCMP at Regina and joined the OPP in 1956. He was with Dundas detachment 18 months and then 10 years with Milton OPP before being promoted to the rank of Corporal in 1967 and transferring to Brantford. He received his Sergeant's stripes last April and was transferred to the Special Division at Toronto.

## ACTON BRIDGE CLUB

Monday's results — 1st, Tom Warnes, Dick Prust; 2nd, Cam Sinclair, Betty Ashley; 3rd, Jack Coats, Ian Coats.

## FOCUS ON FREESCHOOL



All Van Haefan and students with a bank of sound equipment at the recent free school day at Georgetown District High School. It was a day when everything was done freely and voluntarily — even attendance.



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# Extensive Capital Budget Provides Future Schools

The capital budget for the Halton County Board of Education, 1970 to 1974, is as follows:

1970  
1 — Park Public School: Addition of six classrooms, general purpose room and library resource centre, \$330,000.

2 — New public school — Kern's Estate Subdivision — 12 classrooms, 2 kindergartens, general purpose room, library resource centre, music room, \$700,000.

3 — Fairfield Public School: demolition, renovations and addition, \$400,000.

4 — Upgrading of facilities at various existing schools to provide five general purpose rooms and five library resource centres, \$1,125,000.

5 — Provision for 300 additional pupils at \$1,550 per pupil place, \$465,000.

6 — School sites: East Oakville, Kern's Estate Subdivision, Centennial Heights, Georgetown, \$325,000.

1971  
1. Provision for 1,100 additional pupils at \$1,700 per pupil place, \$1,870,000.

2. — Upgrading of facilities at various existing schools to provide four general purpose rooms and four library resource centres \$975,000.

3. School sites — \$200,000.

1972  
1. Provision for 1,200 additional pupils at \$1,850 per pupil place: \$2,220,000.

2. Upgrading of facilities at various existing schools to provide four general purpose rooms and four library resource centres, \$1,050,000.

3. School sites — \$200,000.

1973  
1. Provision for 1,300 additional pupils at \$2,000 per pupil place \$2,600,000.

2. Upgrading of facilities at various existing schools to provide four general purpose rooms and four library resource centres, \$1,050,000.

2. School sites — \$225,000.

1974  
1. Provision for 1,400 additional pupils at \$2,000 per pupil place \$3,010,000.

3. School Sites — \$225,000

1970  
1. Nelson High School — addition of library resources centre, \$250,000.

2. White Oaks Secondary School — addition of library resource centre: \$150,000.

3. School sites — \$400,000.

1971  
1. School site — Brant Hills, \$300,000.

2. School sites — \$225,000.

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1972  
1. Provision for 1,000 additional pupils at \$3,750 per pupil place, \$3,750,000.

2. School site — \$300,000.

1973  
1. — School site: \$300,000.

1974  
1. Provision for 500 additional pupils at \$4,000 per pupil place: \$2,000,000.

2. — School site: \$300,000.



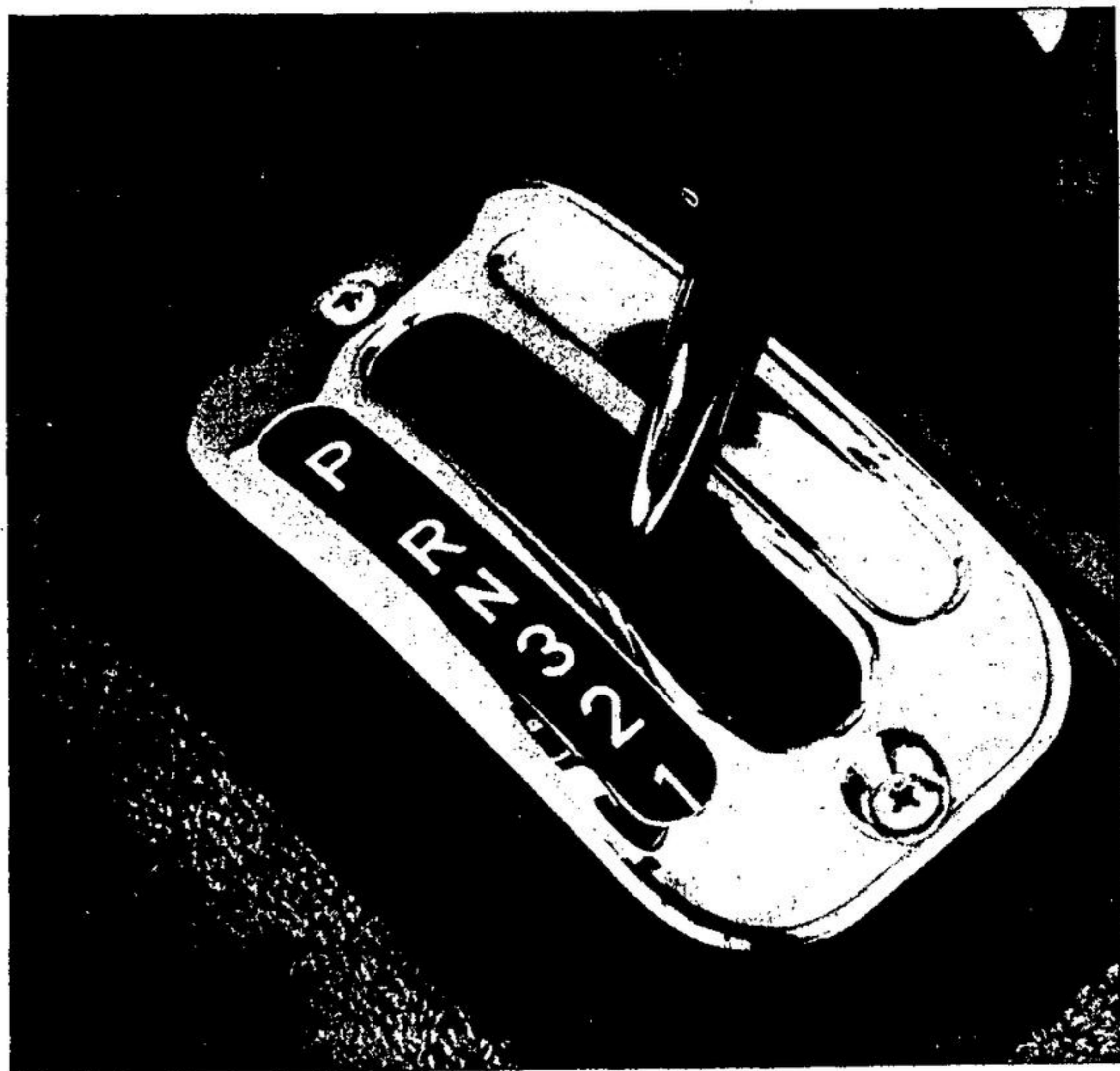
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