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**NEWS AND INFORMATION
FOR THE BUSY FARMER**

Control of Pear and Cherry Slug
For the control of the pear and
cherry slug, all young pear and cherry
trees, including nursery stock,
which have not been sprayed with
a poison, should be sprayed immedi-
ately with 1½ lbs. lead arsenate in
40 gallons 3-6-40 Bordeaux mixture.

Livestock Feeds
The problem of the dairyman to-
day is to produce at a profit or break
even under existing circumstances.
Greater economy in feeding should
not mean less efficiency. Ways of
improving home-grown crops can be
found, thus necessitating fewer pur-
chasing feeds. Dairyman who have
alfalfa hay and corn silage can read-
ily get along with a lower protein
concentrate ration than the farmer
with poor hay and no silage. Even
alfalfa hay varies considerably in nu-
tritive value, depending on when it
is cut. Farmers should cut their
alfalfa at a time when they are fairly
certain of procuring a valuable
feeding material than if left until
too far advanced. Curing is also im-
portant and the more green leaves
that can be harvested and the greater
the retention of color, the higher
the feeding value that will be real-
ized in the feeding-out process next
winter.

Combating Garden Insects
Garden plants are liable to attack
by many kinds of destructive insects.
Some of these destroy the foliage,
others the flowers, while others bore
into the stems and even into the
roots. Injurious insects may be di-
vided roughly into two classes by the
nature of their mouthparts, namely
(1) biting insects which bite and
chew their food, such as cutworms
and others caterpillars, and pear-eat-
ing beetles, and (2) sucking insects
which suck up their food by means
of their beaks, such as aphids, the
true bugs, and the scale insects.

If the insect is one with biting
mouthparts, a stomach poison such
as paris green, or arsenate of lead,
is usually applicable, but if the in-
sect has sucking mouthparts, such
poison would be useless because the
insect would insert its beak through
the poison and reach a safe feeding
place beneath. For sucking insects,
therefore, contact insecticides are
usually recommended, those com-
monly used being kerosene emulsion,
whale oil soap, and preparations con-
taining tobacco.

The Cabbage Worm
The cabbage worm is a velvety
green caterpillar commonly found
feeding on cabbages and cauliflow-
ers. It also attacks turnips, rape,
Brussels sprouts, kale and radish. It
eats large circular holes in the "cab-
bage leaves and frequently bores into
the centre of the cabbage heads,
making the cabbages unfit for mar-
ket and spoiling them for home con-
sumption. Control measures should
be applied as soon as injury to the
plants becomes evident.

Dusting with arsenate of lead and
hydrated lime is the most widely re-
commended remedy. One part of the
poison should be mixed with eight
parts of hydrated lime and the mix-
ture dusted on the plants in the early
morning, or late evening, when the
leaves are wet with dew. Particular
care should be paid to the central
portion of the cabbages and cauliflow-
ers since it is usually the favo-
urite spot for feeding. Two or

three applications of the mixture
should be made as required, care be-
ing taken to apply the dust immedi-
ately feeding becomes evident. Due
to the waxy condition of the leaves,
the use of a poison spray has not
given satisfactory results.

War Against Weeds
Dry weather and bright, hot sun-
shine are the farmers' greatest allies
in the war against weeds. July and
August are busy months for the far-
mers, and it is during these months
when the weather is usually hot and
dry that the maximum damage can
be done to weeds with the minimum
of effort.

July plowing and early after har-
vest cultivation is to be highly re-
commended.

Hay fields known to be dirty should
be ploughed immediately after hay-
ing, the furrows left to bake and try
out for 10 days or two weeks, then
cultivated frequently as a Summer
fallow and seeded to Fall wheat early
in September. This so called dry
cleaning method is very effective on
Sow Thistle, Twitch Grass, Bladder
Campion and other perennial weeds.

Straight Summerfallow is also
very effective, although somewhat
more expensive. Late sown buck-
wheat followed the next year with
rape or roots is a splendid method
of checking weeds.

The cleanest farms in Ontario are
operated by farmers who practise a
short three or four year crop rota-
tion, who are particular in the use
of clean, well graded seeds and who
practise thorough and adequate cul-
tivation methods.

As weeds are cut, crop losses are
cut, and in order that the worst
weeds may be prevented from spread-
ing, it is necessary that every occu-
pant of land, rural or urban, expend
every effort in digging, pulling,
spraying, cutting or burning weeds
before they go to seed.

Cucumber Beetles are Fast Workers
Cucumbers, melons, squash, pump-
kins, and watermelons are the favo-
urite food of the striped cucumber
beetle which is found in all provin-
ces of Canada. To some extent,
these beetles also feed on beans,
peas, corn and the blossoms of wild
and cultivated plants. In appearance,
the beetles are about one-quarter of
an inch long, yellow in colour, with
a black head and three long stripes
down the back, and they make their
attack shortly after the plants ap-
pear through the soil. They feed for
preference on the under surfaces of
the unfolding leaves, completely de-
stroying them. As a result, the tiny
plants die quickly.

Growers with large patches would
be well advised to watch the plants
closely for the first appearance of
the cucumber beetle and take con-
trol measures at once. The plants
should be dusted with a mixture of
calcium arsenate and gypsum (land
plaster), using one part of the cal-
cium arsenate to 20 parts (by
weight) of the gypsum. If it is im-
possible to obtain gypsum, hydrated
lime may be substituted, although
this material is not so good. It
tends to dwarf the plants and tem-
porarily stunts their growth.

The plants should be thoroughly
covered with the dust, both on the
upper and lower surfaces of the
leaves, because the insects feed in
both situations. To be successful,
dusting should be commenced at the
first appearance of the beetles for
these insects work very fast and
much damage is often done before
the grower, who is not on the look-
out for them, is aware of their pre-
sence. Three or four applications a
few days apart, according to the se-
verity of the attack, are usually suf-
ficient to hold the beetles in check.

**WHEN BOYS AND GIRLS GROW
FASTEST**
Scientists on the Continent have
been investigating the growth in
children, and some interesting sta-
tistics have resulted.

Both boys and girls "shoot up" far
more at the beginning of the end of
the first quarter of the year than
at any other time. From the end of
February until about the end of Au-
gust is the real growing period.

From September to the following
January the child grows hardly at
all, according to the experts' statis-
tics. The question of weight, too,
has been tabulated. From July to
January, both will put on weight.
Between February and June they will
scarcely show a difference of an
ounce. It would seem that when our
bodies are growing upwards, the
broadening outward remains the
same, and vice versa.

Comment by the office bachelor:
"If you marry a young one, she's
got no sense; if you wait for her
to develop brains, some other man
gets her."

NEWTONBROOK

Communion Service was held in
the United Church last Sunday
morning with a large attendance
present. Rev. Edgerton Young as-
sisted the pastor in the service.

The Woman's Association held a
very successful picnic to Centre Is-
land last Wednesday afternoon. Mrs.
Allan Wiltshire and Mrs. Harold
Moore were in charge of the sports
program. Several contests were en-
joyed and races for the children.
Over forty sat down to the supper
table where a sumptuous repast was
very much enjoyed by all.

Mrs. A. Stevenson of Manitoba
has been spending the past couple
of weeks with her niece Mrs. W. T.
Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Schmidt left by
motor this week for their home in
Saskatchewan after spending a month
with friends here.

Miss Saunders of Toronto visited
friends here last Sunday and attend-
ing evening service in the United
Church.

Rev. and Mrs. Edgerton Young
left last Monday night for Winni-
peg where they will spend a few
days before going to their new ap-
pointment at God's Lake, 500 miles
north of Winnipeg. They will travel
by boat to Norway House and the
remainder of the journey by
aeroplane.

Miss Ina Johnston has returned
home after holidaying with friends
at Balm Beach, Lake Ontario.

Rev. and Mrs. A. H. Halbert at-
tended the induction service of Rev.
E. B. Cook at Thornhill United
Church last Friday evening.

Several interesting softball games
are being played by the Churches'
League in this district every Tues-
day evening. Last week Newton-
brook United Church team played at
Fisherville. On Tuesday night this
week they played at Unionville.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Grisdale and
Margaret spent a week-end with
friends in Detroit recently.

The annual picnic of the United
Church Sunday School will be held
on Saturday afternoon to Hanlan's
Point.

Mr. and Mrs. Holmes of Meaford
visited recently with their cousins,
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith.

**CATERPILLARS INVADE CAN-
ADA — PITCH TENTS
IN ONTARIO**

(R. H. Spencer, Blue Bell Magazine)
A newspaper report states that a
Moncton, N.B., man, working with a
carnival there, had his right leg pain-
fully injured when his trousers
caught in a wheel of a caterpillar
and he was dragged in and run over.
He was taken to hospital in an am-
bulance.

Immediately below the report un-
der the heading, "Beware Caterpillars,"
there is the following:
"Unusual prevalence of caterpillars
in Ontario lends to the prediction
that a definite menace will develop
unless there is immediate action in
checking the invasion. The principal
danger seems to be in vacant prop-
erties or in roadside trees. With
nothing to check them, bushes and
trees are often found infested with
caterpillar tents."

Well, why don't somebody do some-
thing? Invoke a clause or that sort
of thing? Are we to be mangled
in our sleep? Grabbed by the leg
of our pyjamas, whized by the wheel
of one of these monsters, dragged
in and ground like so much sausage?
How about the Monroe doctrine?
What do we subscribe to the League
of Nations for? Where is our
streamlined navy?

As Feeble Filbert so aptly put it,
"If the larvae are of such propor-
tions; what in the h— will the but-
terflies be like?"

Bob Burns' shenanigans in Van
Buren, Arkansas, matched with this
new Canadian menace, pale into in-
significance.

The crying need in Canada today
is not so much for a good five-cent
cigar, a triple-decker ice cream cone,
or plush seats for sit-downers, as
for a National Caterpillar Day. A
day set aside when loyal Canadians
with shields and banners bright
would march against this destructive
foe.

We could recruit a vast army of
farmers, farmerettes, boy scouts,
school children, telephone pioneers
and band of hoppers, etc., who, while
they might not be able to totally
exterminate the pests, could in a
few hours' work, armed with a tin
of coal oil, a newspaper and a knife,
reduce the havoc usually wrought by
these furry creatures to a minimum.

Five hundred districts—two hun-
dred "soldiers" per district—each sol-
dier burns fifteen nests—each nest
contains approximately one hundred
potential rhubarb nibblers—result
some 150,000,000 caterpillars are
rendered hors de combat.

Oh, Canada, we stand on guard
for thee. Or do we?

**LORNE COULTER RESIGNS
OFFICE WITH RAILWAY**
Chief Auditor of C.N.R. Department
Ends 42 Years of Service—
Once Mayor

A. Lorne Coulter, chief auditor of
the steamship and car ferries depart-
ment of the Canadian National Rail-
ways and the only Canadian ever to
hold the office of president of the
Water Line Accounting Officers of
America, retires in July after 42
years of service.

Born in Palgrave, Peel County, he
was educated in Orangeville High
School and in 1895 commenced at
the bottom of the railway business
as a lamplighter for the Grand Trunk
Railway. He worked his way up to
his executive post, holding appoint-
ments as operator, agent and travell-
ing auditor, until appointed chief
auditor in 1923, which position he
has held for the past 14 years.

Establishing a home in Weston 20
years ago, he took a keen interest
in the public life of his community,
being elected a member of Board of
Education, of Weston Town Council
and of the Public Utilities Commis-
sion on various occasions. He has
served as mayor and as chairman of
the Public Utilities Commission.

On several occasions he has held
major positions in the Conservative
Association of West York and his
name has been mentioned as candi-
date for both the House of Com-
mons and the Ontario Legislature.

The Anglican Diocese of New
Westminster, British Columbia, has
received a property gift worth \$422,-
000. The property consists of real
estate in downtown Vancouver and is
part of the estate of the late Ed-
ward Disney Farmer, the son of an
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friendly mental attitude towards each other when we get back
into our cars and enter traffic again? To our fellow-shopper,
for whom we held the door open, do we show courtesy when he
becomes our fellow-motorist?

Do we warn him of our intention to pass by sounding our
horn? Having passed him, do we get well ahead of him before
swinging back again into our traffic lane? Do we dip or dim
our lights when we meet him at night? Do we keep well to the
right side of the road when meeting him? Do we give him the
benefit of the doubt in a "tight corner" so we can both get out
of it unhurt? And do we, in the many other ways that come
to our mind, act and think towards our fellow-motorist in the
same kindly and considerate manner as we did when we held
the door open for him as a fellow-shopper?

I earnestly request that, when you get behind the wheel of your
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