

AID EXTERMINATION OF THE THRIFTY THISTLE

New Trier Township Officials Are Constantly on Lookout for This Weed Pest

The mosquito is not the only pest against which organized effort is being expended for its extermination, in the north shore area.

The Canada thistle, also, is coming in for its share of condemnation as a most unwelcome intruder and much time and some money is being constantly expended toward its extermination.

Property owners and particularly farmers throughout New Trier township are supposed to "whack off" close to the ground every Canada thistle they find growing on their premises, and most of them do.

Thrifty Thistle Thrives

There are a few however, who do not. There are some non-residents who own unoccupied tracts within the township on which the thrifty thistle thrives.

John Balmes, of Winnetka, is the thistle commissioner appointed by the township board of auditors, whose duty it is to go about the township and cut down Canada thistles where property owners themselves do not do it. The property owners are first notified to cut down the thistles. If it's left for the commissioner to do a charge is necessarily made for the work.

Since the first of June, \$1,500 worth of this work has been done by Mr. Balmes and thus far over \$300 has been collected by the township towards reimbursing the fund from which he is paid. The remainder is charged up against the property owners and the work of collecting the same is in progress.

Gets Check From Washington

One New Trier township owner now residing in the state of Washington only this week, made his remittance of a good sized check for the work done on his land.

The township officials are faithfully

performing a service to the entire community in their constant effort necessary to keep down the Canada thistle pest, and are hopeful that all land owners will assist them by keeping a sharp lookout for the appearance of the weed on their respective places and when found, "whack it off."

Maroons Expect Better Luck in 1927 Football

Belief that the Maroon football team will be more of a factor in the Big Ten race this season than was expected has been growing steadily since the players reported last Thursday. With less than a week practice behind it, the squad is shaping up well.

A. A. Stagg, who is coaching for the thirty-sixth season at the Midway, lost no time in getting the players working at full speed, starting scrimmage on the second day of practice. The progress so far has been better than was expected, and by the time the game with Oklahoma is played on Oct. 1, the Maroons ought to be ready for the stiff test the Missouri Valley outfit will give them.

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