

NEW SOLUTION TO WIREWORM PROBLEM

The British wartime insecticide discovery, benzene hexachloride promises to alleviate the wireworm problem which has plagued farmers and gardeners throughout the world for centuries.

There are many species of wireworms which attack a wide variety of crops such as wheat, corn and potatoes. In the British Isles benzene hexachloride has been used successfully to control wireworms in cereal and vegetable crops.

Many chemicals have been found which are effective against wireworms but the large quantity required per acre to effectively control the insects, made their use uneconomical. With benzene hexachloride it was found that one pound or less of the gamma isomer, the active principle of benzene hexachloride, is sufficient to give commercial control.

Benzene hexachloride or B.H.C. as it is commonly called, shows promise as a control of such hardy pests as carrot rust fly, cabbage and onion root maggot, garden centipedes and cutworms. While much experimental work remains to be done with B.H.C. products, it is understood that various commercial preparations of this effective insecticide will be available to growers this year for use in certain established fields.

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Costs 74c To Get Pound of Butterfat

Output of Seven Cows is Needed to Pay Hired Man 50-Cent Hourly Rate for Ten Hours

It now costs 74 cents in Ontario to produce a pound of butterfat, members of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture interested in the production of cream, were told at a meeting in Toronto last week.

They learned from a survey by the same economist that a farmer in Ontario must feed, milk and separate the milk from seven cows in order to get enough money to pay for ten hours of hired labor at 50 cents an hour.

The meeting was held for the purpose of discussing the proposed Ontario cream producers' marketing plan under the Ontario Farm Products Act, 1946.

All cream producers in Ontario approximately 75,000, will vote on acceptance or rejection of the proposal. It was hoped to hold the vote in April, but because of weather the date is only tentative.

Under the plan, minimum prices, grades and quality, price differentials between grades, weighing and testing and any other matters in connection with the marketing of cream will be decided by a negotiating committee of five farmers elected by their fellow-farmers and five men appointed by the creamery operators. There is provision for the farmers' creamery organization to collect one-tenth of one cent per pound of butterfat, the money to be used for the furtherance of the farmers' interest. Election will be made by the creameries.

If at any time there is a surplus of butter it is the farmers' intention to aid in finding a market for the surplus so that it would not depress all prices.

The farmers today also learned that Ontario now produces about 77.5 million pounds of butter annually and an increase of only one cent, a pound would mean an extra \$775,000 annually to the farmers.

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Hello Homemakers! Face it with the problem of getting home after five o'clock from a meeting, or the office, many homemakers have been asking us for easy-to-prepare foods. Dishes which save precious moments and yet are nourishing at the same time are often based on partially-prepared products such as condensed soups, canned meats and the spaghetti or macaroni pieces. Budgeting will make you conscious of the advantage of using many commercially-packaged foods in combination with other home-grown items. In these few recipes we offer today there is good flavour—note the variety.

CREAMED EGGS

4 hard-cooked eggs, ½ cup milk, 4 slices toast, 1 can condensed mushroom soup, 1 tbsp. chopped parsley.

Cut hard-cooked eggs in slices or chop. Heat mushroom soup in top part of double boiler. Add milk and eggs. When hot add chopped parsley. Pour over toast. Yield: 4 servings.

QUICK FISH CASSEROLE

1½ cups flaked cooked fish, 1 cup canned peas, or diced cooked celery, 1 bag potato chips, 1 can cream mushroom soup.

Put fish, potato chips and peas in layers in greased casserole dish, reserving enough potato chips for top. Dilute mushroom soup with milk according to directions on can. Pour over fish and vegetables in casserole. Top with remaining potato chips. Bake in electric oven (350 degs.) from 20 to 30 mins. or until heated thoroughly. Yield: 4 servings.

MEAT CUBES IN TOMATO SAUCE

1½ inch cubes of canned meat, 1 small onion chopped, ½ tsp. salt, dash pepper, dash sage, one-third cup quick-cooking oats, 2 tbsps. dripping, 1 can condensed tomato soup, ½ cup water, ¼ tsp. chili powder.

Combine cubed beef, onion, seasonings and oats. Brown in skillet then place in greased casserole. Combine tomato soup, water

and chili powder. Pour over meat; cover and bake in electric oven at 350 degs. for 20 mins. Yield: 4 servings.

TOMATO CHEESE SUPPER DISH

4 cups hot cooked rice, cooked spaghetti or diced cooked potatoes, 1 can condensed tomato soup, 1 cup grated cheese. Pile rice, spaghetti or cooked potatoes on hot serving plates. (If left over potatoes are used, heat in top part of double boiler.) Heat condensed tomato soup. Pour over mounds of rice, spaghetti or potatoes. Sprinkle grated cheese on top. Garnish with parsley or dill. Yield: 4 servings.

TAKE A TIP

Quick Supper Menus

1. Tomato juice; Creamed Eggs; Cabbage Salad; Johnny Cake with Syrup; Hot Chocolate.
2. Meat Cubes in Tomato Sauce; Boiled Potatoes; Boiled Onions; Applesauce and cookies; Coffee.
3. Mushroom Corn Pudding; Sausages; Banana Cream Pudding; Tea.

THE SUGGESTION BOX

Mrs. G. A. says: I make dumplings with tomato juice and like them because they are light and look attractive.

Miss S.T. says: A piece of cinnamon added to waffle batter gives a spicy tang.

Mrs. C. D. says: Small meat balls can be made by forming the meat into a long roll, then cutting it into one-inch pieces.

Mr. A. J. says: I borrowed my wife's nail polish and painted the house key on my key ring, and hers too. Needless to say, it saves much time and trouble searching for this elusive key.

Anne Allan invites you to write to her c/o The Tribune. Send in your suggestions on homemaking problems and watch this column for replies.

HORTICULTURAL DELEGATES HAD PROFITABLE TIME

(by a delegate)
The Ontario Horticultural Society held its annual convention at the General Brock Hotel, Niagara Falls on Thursday and Friday, March 6 and 7.

Our Stouffville Society delegates Mr. E. R. Good, Mr. Bert Miller, Mrs. H. Dixon, Mrs. Win Timbers and M. Mertens, left early Thursday morning by motor in spite of snow blocked roads. Those were soon forgotten as there was little snow on the Queen Elizabeth high-

way. Across the Lake, the fruit growers were busily engaged in pruning their orchards. The ground under the trees was bare of snow. The different speakers and variety of subjects at the convention gave us a host of new material with which to consider the coming year.

At the banquet on Thursday evening we listened to an outstanding talk by Dr. Charlotte Whitton O.B.E., Ottawa. The entertainment also of a very high order was enjoyed. Friday morning we again gathered at the hotel; this time it was to hear a Past President, Mrs. Boucher of Kingston talk and show coloured movies of her perennial border. We found that each speaker added to our growing knowledge of the how, when and what to do to improve our own gardens and those of our neighbours to make them a Thing of Beauty.

At the final session on Friday many good-byes were said and invitations extended to visit different societies at their regular meetings.

Our delegates started homeward and as the car rolled along they talked of all they had heard and seen and of preparing their notes to be given at the forth coming regular meeting on Tuesday, March 18 in Stouffville.

Ban Worry, Live Long
If you want to live to a ripe old age, don't worry. That is the advice of Mrs. James H. Campbell of London who should know a thing or two about living because she celebrated her 104th birthday recently.

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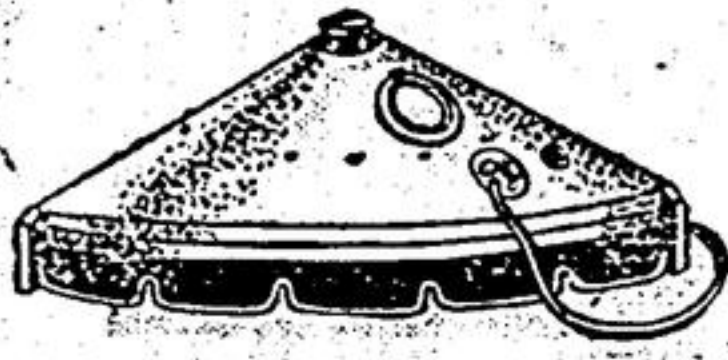
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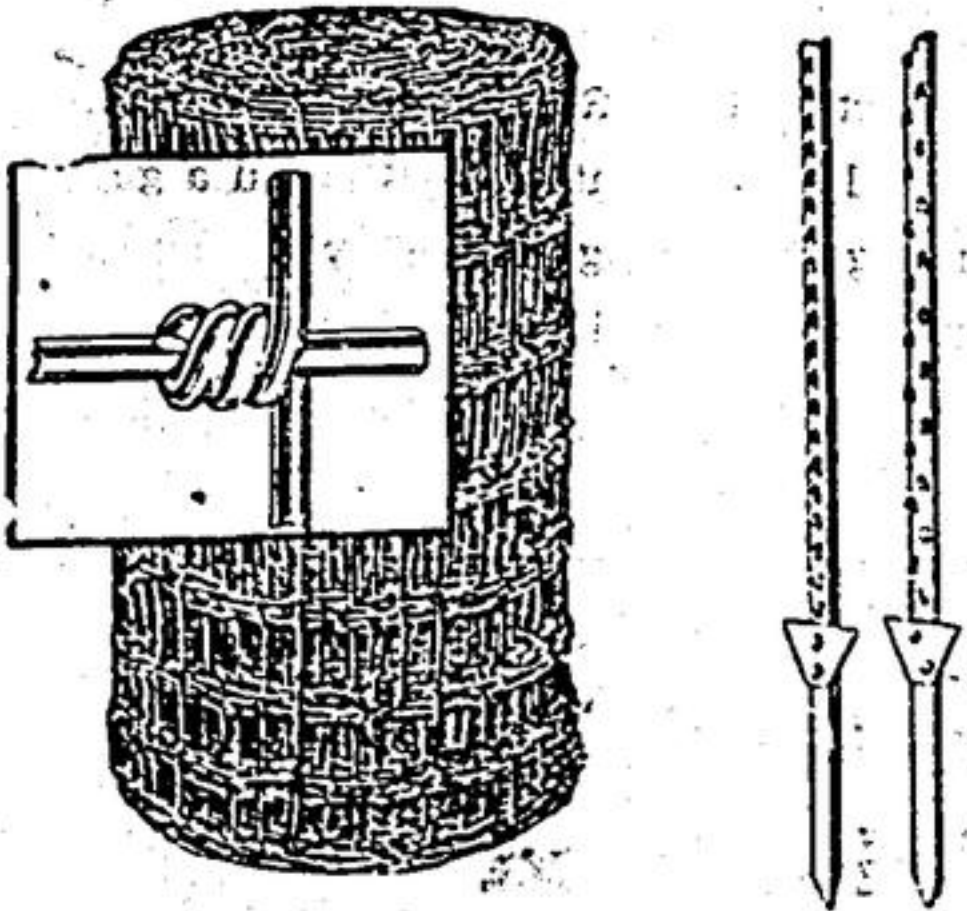


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