

HERE'S NEWS FOR THE BUSY FARMER

WEEDS AND YOUR LAWN

Every possessor of a lawn, however small, has weeds of various kinds to contend with during the entire growing season. According to the Field Crops Branch of the Ontario Dept. of Agriculture, the best way to control lawn weeds is to maintain such a luxuriant growth of grass that weeds have little chance of becoming established. This is no easy matter, but periodic applications of fertilizer, the use of lime if the soil becomes acid, reseedling of thin spots, and the judicious use of water will usually produce a reasonably good turf.

There are, however, a few types of lawn weeds that will become established in spite of everything that can be done in a cultural way. With these, more drastic measures must be taken if they are to be kept under control. It is fortunate that there are now a number of selective weed killers on the market that do kill or weaken weeds without any lasting harmful effect on the grass.

Spring has barely arrived

when the first yellow flower of the Dandelion makes its appearance. Dandelions are very susceptible to 2,4-D and a light application of this chemical in the form of a spray applied as soon as dandelions appear will prove almost one hundred percent successful in destroying this pest.

Common and Mouse Ear Chickweeds are perennials and are very troublesome in lawns. These weeds spread by rooting at the nodes of the stem, and also blossom and set seed during most of the growing season. They are quite resistant to 2,4-D. For this reason it is advisable to use 1 ounce of 2,4-D acid and 4 ounces Potassium Cyanate to 4 gallons of water. Do not use this on bent grass lawns.

Of all lawn weeds, Crabgrass probably causes the most grief. It belongs to the grass family and therefore cannot be killed by 2,4-D. In its early stages of growth it sends up grasslike blades, giving the amateur gardener the impression that he has a fine new growth of grass. Crabgrass blades are

broader and a lighter shade of green than ordinary grass and in its early stages can be damaged and possibly killed by one or more applications of a crabgrass killer, of which there are several on the market.

Once seed setting has started there is little value in attempting hand pulling as crabgrass is an annual and will die in the fall anyway. Grass cuttings should be removed at this time however, to prevent as many seeds as possible from getting back into the lawn. Spray when the new crabgrass blades are an inch or so in length.

The Plantains are broad leaved plants which are easily recognized. Dandelion sprays will kill many of them and the remainder can be dug out without much difficulty.

Knotted is a problem on heavily used areas of the lawn or along the borders of paths. Repeated sprays accompanied by hand pulling and reseedling will counteract this weed.

Weeds are always with us and their control is an annual problem. The only solution is to maintain a thick, vigorous,

GLEN MAJOR

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Warden visited Sunday with Mrs. F. Nokes and boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Jones of Newmarket, and Miss Hazel Jones visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Holden and Dougie spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Risebrough.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Third, Millken, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fiss.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jones and Shirley visited in Brooklyn on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Biggs and family and Mrs. Pearl Walls.

Miss Annetta Carpenter spent the weekend in Toronto.

Mr. George Gibson was at his cottage over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jones visited Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Faulkner one day last week.

healthy grass sod and be ready with the sprayer and the spudder at the first appearance of weed infestation. Care should be taken in spraying near shrubs or flowers.

Bulletin 458 on Lawns and Bulletin 75 on Chemical Weed Control can be secured from any office of the Ontario Dept. of Agriculture.

Plowing Match Ready for

Preparations are already under way for the 1955 International Plowing Match, with F. A. Lashley, Secretary-Manager of the Ontario Plowmen's Association announcing today that arrangements have been made for the officers and directors of the Association to make a trip by bus, May 14th to 17th, to the scene of this year's Match in Essex County.

The purpose of the trip is to inspect the site of the International which is to be held Oct. 11th to 14th on the farm of John Rahm, Mersea Township, near Leamington, in Essex County. It is also proposed to meet jointly with local committees in planning the event and a full board meeting will be held at which time the prize list and program will be discussed.

Arrangements have been made for members of the party living east of Toronto to be picked up on Saturday, May 14th, with the trip getting under way from Toronto on Sunday the 15th. Members living west of Toronto will join the party enroute.

A stop will be made Sunday morning at Simcoe to view the site of the 1957 Match. Lunch will be served at the farm of Ken Bawden of St. Thomas and in the afternoon a visit will be paid to the Western Ontario Agricultural School at Ridgetown. The night will be spent in Chatham. On Monday morning the party will continue to the site of the Match where the program for the following day and a half will be arranged by the local committee.

Tuesday afternoon the group will leave for home, arriving in Toronto in the early evening and in Brockville by 11.30 p.m. It is proposed to follow a different route from Leamington to Toronto on the return trip in order that more of the scenery of the province may be enjoyed.

CEDAR GROVE

Last year Zion Sunday School held a Family Night to which all members of the community interested in the work of the Sunday School were invited. It proved interesting and successful and is to be repeated again this year on Friday, May 13th, at 7.45 p.m. To show the purpose of Sunday School training in relation to all life in the community is the purpose of these evenings and to further this purpose the officers have asked Miss Israel to speak on the subject. A graduate of Hartford University in Religious education and with wide experience in Sunday School and camp work, Miss Israel is well qualified to enlighten her listeners. The evening has been planned so that small children may attend and not be kept up too late and everyone interested in the work of the Sunday School is cordially invited. A very friendly, beige Collie

MELVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Reid have received word from their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Reid, of Fort St. John, B.C., of the arrival of their second son, Kenneth Murray, on April 28, 1955. Congratulations to the parents, also the grandparents.

The service on Sunday (Mother's Day) was very well attended. Mr. Jack Nigh, S.S. Supt., took charge of the service and Mrs. Bert Gardhouse and Miss Eleanor Reid told the stories to the children.

Hey Ladies! Get out your best bib and tucker in honor of the A.O.T.S. ladies' Night on Tuesday, May 17. This is the night the men do the honors and the ladies the enjoying. There is to be special entertainment and we hear rumors of turkey.

Again in connection with suppers and the church work the Young People's Union of the three charges are planning a bouquet to close their work for the summer. It is to be held in Melville Church on Friday evening, May 20th. There will be further notice of this event later.

Mrs. Roxborough, Mrs. Hunter, Mrs. Brodie, Mrs. Smith and Miss Patsy Smith attended the Fashion Show put on by the girls of the home economics class in Stouffville High School on Tuesday afternoon and report a very enjoyable time.

Congratulations to Master Jonathan Nigh who celebrated a birthday on Friday, May 6th. Several of his friends were entertained at a party on Saturday. Also, congratulations and best wishes in advance to Master Stephen Nigh who celebrates his birthday on May 16.

Mr. and Mrs. Denton Smith and Miss Patsy Smith were guests at the wedding of Gloria Shienfield and Lloyd Grove on Saturday afternoon in Agincourt Anglican Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Nigh of Stouffville, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nigh, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nigh and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Powell heard the Barber Shop Quartet at Massey Hall on Saturday evening and report a very enjoyable and interesting time.

W.M.S. ladies — please remember the missionary bale to be packed Thursday afternoon at the Forrester home. New and used clothing for men, women, boys or girls will be very acceptable.

dog has been visiting several families up and down the tenth for the past two weeks. If his owners are alarmed about his whereabouts he can be found in this area almost any time. The Tapscoots and the McClennans seem to be his favourite hosts.

Jack Walton had a rush trip to the hospital last week to part suddenly with his appendix. He is home again now, feeling the effects of his loss.

Here are the lucky winners of Monday night's Euchre: Mrs. Elson, Stouffville; Mrs. E. Williams, Stouffville; and Miss Edith Coakwell, Locust Hill; Mr. Swain, Mrs. Freeman and Herb Jarvis.

At the May meeting of the W.M.S. Mrs. Whittaker, Pres., opened the meeting with the poem, "If All the Others". Owing to the bad roads the Thank-offering was received at this meeting and a Thankoffering reading was given by Mrs. B. Tapscoot. Mrs. Scott gave a reading on India and Mrs. Lapp on Christian Stewardship. The W.M.S. Rural Gathering will be held at the United Church at Zephyr on June 8th and an invitation has been extended from Markham to attend their meeting on May 25th at 8 p.m. On May 20th the bales will be packed at the home of Mrs. Elliot Harrington. It was decided that summer meetings will be held in the evening. Mrs. Elson Miles sang two beautiful solos which the ladies enjoyed very much. Group two was in charge of the meeting which was held at the home of Mrs. Fred Beare.

We're Going to . . .

Richmond Hill Fair Mon., May 23

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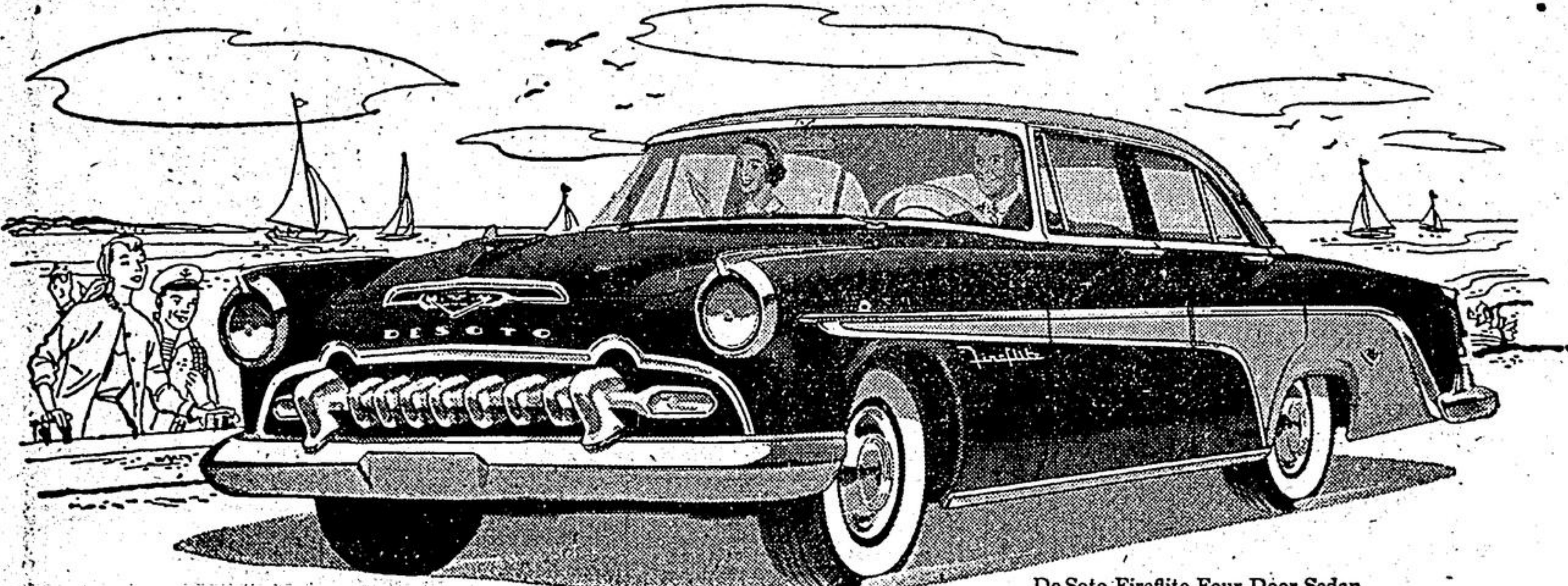
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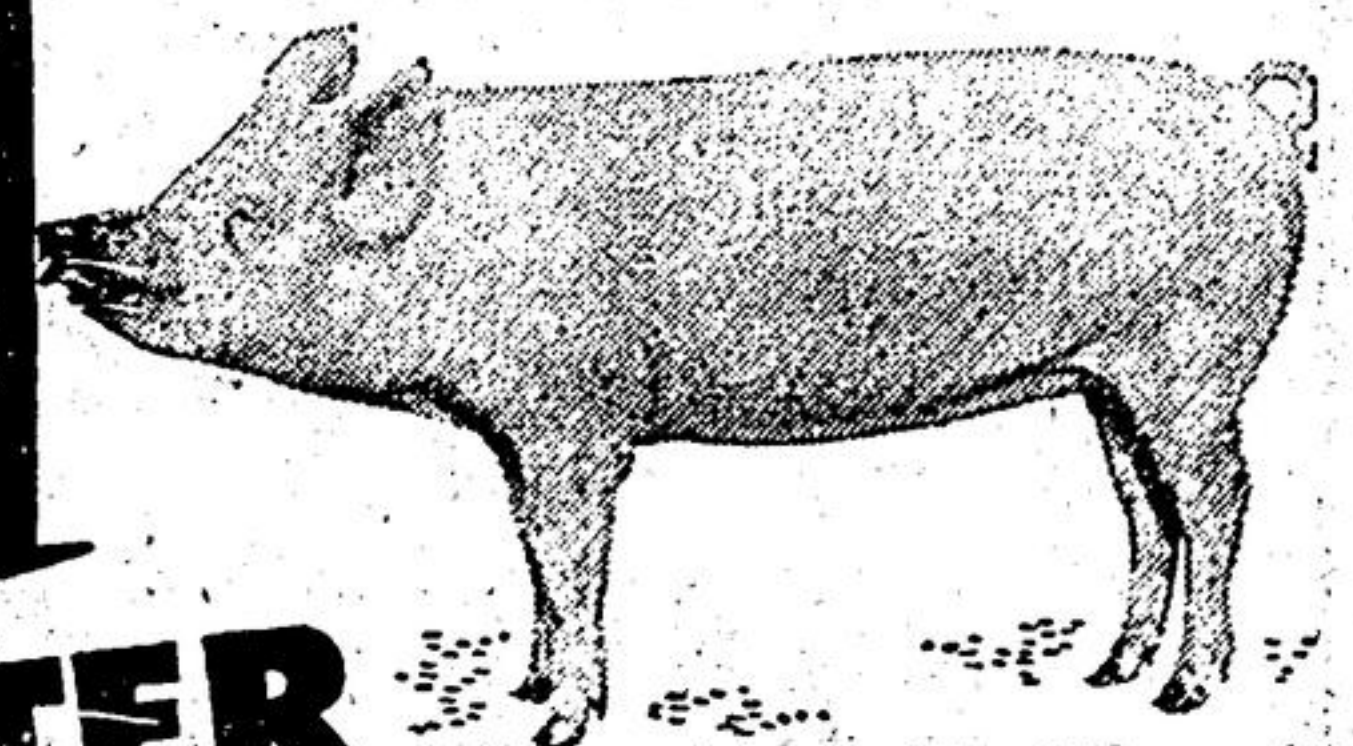
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