

## Turkey Growers Use Sunflowers For Shade, Fences

Did you know that sunflowers are good for turkeys? They're good for shade from the hot summer sun and they'll give the birds some protection from the rain.

Don Miller, extension poultryman at Michigan State College, says that many turkey growers in Michigan use the sunflowers to a good advantage.

They plant about 12 rows in a field, doing the job with a corn planter, then thin the plants to one every two feet. Nitrogen fertilizer is used liberally to make the sunflowers grow fast. The plants must be about four feet high when the birds are turned into the patch.

Miller adds that many growers use a couple of rows of sunflowers along the fence. That keeps the birds from flying over.



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By ED ALCHIN  
County Agricultural Agent

Over the past few weeks our contacts with farmers have pointed up the fact that they are most concerned with the present problem of falling agricultural prices. No matter where you turn you can find many suggestions as to the proper solution.

Some farmers believe that we should have rigid supports and strict controls of farm products all across the board. Others take the more moderate attitude that a real emergency should exist and flexible supports is the answer. Others believe a real emergency does exist and that agricultural decline in prices may have an adverse effect on the entire economy of the country.

Certainly all these farmers express one desire; that being security and a chance to make a profit from the business of farming. Just what the answer might be to the many complex problems is beyond our conception, but it is certain that farm leadership must express itself with a unified voice which represents the true feeling of agriculture. To do this, individual farmers should take an active interest in their farm organizations and cooperatives, learn all they can about the problems facing them, and express themselves in such a manner that leaders in these organizations understand and act for them.

Of all the expressions that I have heard, probably the one that best sums up the farmers' problem is, "The future of agriculture can be as sound as any other business only when farmers themselves take a real interest in their business and express that interest in action."

## ACREAGE QUOTAS MUST BE FOLLOWED TO OBTAIN LOAN

Farmers who have over-planted their wheat allotment or planted more than 15 acres should be aware of the consequences of harvesting excess acreage.

First of all they cannot sell any wheat until they have paid a penalty of \$1.12 per bushel on all excessive wheat harvested, or reduce the acreage for next year's crop correspondingly to the excess harvested this year, or stored and banded excess wheat harvested this year.

It would appear that the easiest way around this problem at this time is to mow, pasture, harvest for hay or silage the excess acreage down to the 15 acres allowed to the allotted acreage. If they wish to get a government loan, there are many other angles to be considered by individuals.

The A. S. C. office, managed by Mr. Walter Cook and located in the Hubbard Building in Pontiac, can give farmers information on what they can do with their own special case.

## FARM NEWS



**SHEEP SHEARERS**—"Eitel" and "Albert" make life easy for Groundkeeper John Gery at Brecken Field, home of the Allentown, Pa., Cardinals. The "amb choppers" need no gas and oil, as does a power mower, and keep the grass down rain or shine, according to Gery.

## State Approves Fund To Battle Gypsy Moth In Lansing Area

Emergency funds for the Michigan Department of Agriculture to battle the first gypsy moths ever found west of Pennsylvania, has been approved by the Legislature's special committee on appropriations.

Gypsy moth is one of the most destructive of insect pests, according to G. S. McIntyre, director of the Department. It attacks trees, shrubs and practically any type of vegetative matter. In the east as many as 1 1/2 million acres have been completely defoliated by the pest in a single season. Massachusetts alone last year spent more than \$500,000 in fighting the gypsy moth battle.

How gypsy moth got to Michigan is not known, but egg masses can be transported on cars, trucks, or other vehicles, or on articles brought into the state.

Egg masses were found on trees in the southern part of Lansing recently. Positive identification was made by Lansing foresters, Michigan State College entomologists, representatives of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and the State Department's own bureau of plant industry.

Eradiation would include airplane spraying of 15,000 acres of plant industry.

## Cow Losing Value, MSC Farm Economist Says

The average cow will not rate very high in 1954 — it will take more than a dollar an hour for profit as one 12,000-pound producer reports Don H. Stark, Michigan State College farm economist. Last year, it only took 2 1/2 average cows to equal one 12,000-pounder.

Farmers need some 10,000 to 12,000 pound producers to get more than a dollar an hour for their labor — and even then they will get 50 cents less than last year.

This is the time of year when hamburger, hot dogs and sausage are in demand and this is the place where "boarder" cows produce best.

Milk will not scorch so easily if you wipe the bottom of the pan with a bit of butter before scalding.

land with DDT, which in the east has proven the most effective in eradicating the pest. The operation would be a joint one between the Federal and State agricultural departments. Cost of airplane spraying has been estimated at from \$1.50 to \$2.50 an acre.

If gypsy moth can be contained and eradicated within the small area where it was found, the possibility of a federal quarantine of the whole state with its hampering restrictions probably can be avoided, according to C. A. Boyer, chief of the Department's bureau of plant industry.

In some places in the east where gypsy moth became established before steps were taken to eliminate it, the battle has been going on for 30 years and has cost into the millions of dollars not counting losses in farm and forest land.

## Chlordane Treatment Protects Lawn, Plants

White grubs are making pests of themselves again, doing damage to lawns and newly-set-out strawberries.

Michigan State College entomologists recommend treating the lawn or strawberry bed with five pounds of 5 per cent chlordane dust per 1,000 square feet. By killing the grubs with chlordane, you will also get rid of moles by removing their favorite food supply. The chemical also gets rid of ants.

The chemical should be washed into the soil with the garden hose.

## FARM CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 10 — 24th Annual Gladwin Beef Cattle Sale, Fairgrounds, Gladwin.

June 11 and 12 — 4-H Club Camp Counselors' School, Great Bear Lake, near Paw Paw.

June 15 and 16 — 4-H Club Camp Counselors' School, Hardwood Lake, near West Branch.

Farmers who clip their cows' flanks and udders produce a better quality of milk.

## Emergency Forage Needs Fertilizer To Do Its Job

Emergency forages can help a farmer over the "hump" when he's running short on rotation crop pasture — but they need fertilizer to do the job, stresses Edward D. Longmeyer, Michigan State College soil scientist.

Sudangrass, recommended for the south two-thirds of the Lower Peninsula, and oat-pea silage in the northern areas both should have a high nitrogen fertilizer. Use from 300 to 500 pounds per acre of 10-10-10 or 12-12-12, he advises, or spread 8 to 12 tons of manure plus 250 to 300 pounds of 3-9-18 or 4-12-24.

Balho rye can be seeded late in August with 300 pounds of complete fertilizer like 3-15-9 or 4-16-16 and topdressed in the early spring. It provides a lot of late fall and early spring pasture.

Soil specialists advise testing soil at least once in every crop rotation — just before plowing a sod.

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## Elevator Short Course At M. S. C. To Help Reduce Worker Shortage

About 150 high school students are expected at Michigan State College Thursday, June 24, for the Third Annual Elevator Career Day, directed at encouraging boys into the feed and grain trade.

Potential managers of feed and grain elevators assemble at the college each year to learn about opportunities in the trade and about the MSC elevator short course starting September 24.

Warren N. McMillen, a former animal nutrition specialist at Michigan State College, will speak. He is now with the A. E. Staley company, feed manufacturers, at Decatur, Illinois.

George Greenleaf, in charge of the elevator short course at MSC, reports there is a shortage of qualified elevator men in the state.

He now has requests for 10 graduates of the short course and no graduates available.

The short course involves attending MSC for two terms, experience in an elevator for two terms and then two more terms of schooling.

Prominent people in the grain trade will act as discussion leaders for the career day. They include Arthur Street of Jackson, Charles Forre of Kalamazoo, Robert McConkey of Durand and James Bliss and Ray Bohnsack of Lansing.

The Michigan Feed and Grain Association cooperates with the MSC short course department in staging the career day.

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