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## Find Chemical To Kill Cat Tails

Want to get rid of those cat tails in your drainage ditches next summer?

The job's easy with a new chemical called dalapon, according to a Michigan State College weed control specialist.

R. H. Grigsby, who conducted extensive tests in the Thumb last summer, recommends about 20 pounds of the chemical in 100 gallons of water for good control. How much of an area that amount will cover depends on how thick the cat tails are.

Dr. Grigsby is also continuing experiments with dalapon in the control of quackgrass. He has been able to control the weed for a season. But, he says, the chemical also injures other plants. And not enough is known about it yet to make recommendations.

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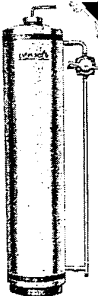
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# NEWS ABOUT THE FARM

## FARM BUREAU URGES CONTROL OF DEER BY CONS. COMMISSION

The Michigan Farm Bureau has gone on record in favor of continuing the conservation commission's discretionary management of the lower peninsula deer herd. Delegates of the Bureau, representing more than 60,000 farm families in Michigan, voted this resolution during their 35th annual meeting, held at Michigan State College last week.

"We believe that good deer management requires study and knowledge of food, habitat and population," the resolution reads. "We favor a two-year extension of the authority of the department of conservation to manage Michigan's deer herd."

The resolution passed easily after only brief discussion.

In other action, the Bureau passed a resolution welcoming the appointment of Frank E. Burch of Detroit to the conservation commission.

"It has contributed greatly to the bettering of farmer-sportsman relations and has a sincere interest in the farmers' point of view," the resolution states.

The Bureau expressed appreciation for conservation department cooperation with farmers in the past, recommended no change on small game season opening dates, urged stronger protections against stream pollution and endorsed the statewide "Ask The Farmer First" campaign.

## State Inspectors Aid Food Growers

Because Michigan's fruit and vegetable growers feel the need for greater knowledge of grading and packaging requirements in order to meet competition from other producing regions, inspectors of the bureau of foods and standards of the Michigan Department of Agriculture are being called on more and more to supply information.

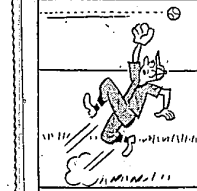
This was disclosed by Miles A. Nelson, chief of the bureau, following receipt of a report of Don Palmer, supervisor of this work at Benton Harbor's huge regional market.

Palmer reported that of the 77,300 loads of fruits and vegetables offered there by growers during the past season, only 273 were sent home to be regraded. But there were 4,175 instances in which suggestions were given by enforcement men to growers to assist them with their grading or packing problems.

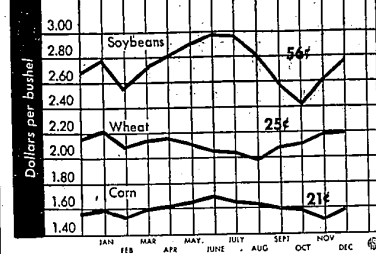
At the Department's offices at the market inspectors answered 523 telephone requests for grading information and they made 631 personal visits to provide growers with the grading information they asked for. There were 377 loads of fruits or vegetables brought to the Department's offices to be checked on before the loads were offered for sale.

During the past marketing season at Benton Harbor which began with strawberries in early spring and extends on through late apples in the fall there were only 115 grading and branding complaints received out of the 77,300 loads offered.

The most frequent cause of complaints are misbranding, over-filling (shown surface of a pack better than the contents beneath), defects exceeding permitted tolerances, failure to have each container labeled with proper identification and name and address of packer or distributor.



## Selling-Time Key to Farm Profits



Every farmer who sells his crop at harvest-time loses money. Prices are always lowest when the supply is greatest—harvest-time. The chart above shows low prices of grain crops rise in the months following harvest. Grain storage buildings, such as Quonsets, frequently pay for themselves in one year because of this rise in prices. Farmers who stored their soybeans in any of the past five years and sold them at the later year's high price made a profit each year which, on the average, was far more than the cost of their grain storage buildings. Even without a government support program, grain storage buildings are real money makers.

## Detect Visceral Disease In Chickens With New Method Of Diagnosis

Researchers at the U. S. Department of Agriculture poultry laboratory at Michigan State College have found a way to detect "big liver," or visceral type leukosis, before it kills the chicken.

Up to now the only way the disease could be diagnosed was by examining the bird's internal organs after it died.

Leukosis, the worst of the poultry diseases, kills the visceral organs of the chicken. In lab tests, with healthy-looking, but tumorous birds, the new test gave a correct diagnosis in 40 of the 42 cases.

Director Berley Winton of the regional poultry research lab at MSC, regards the discovery of this test as an important step in understanding visceral form leukosis.

Up to now the disease has resisted science's efforts to find a cure. The malady annually costs U. S. poultrymen \$75 million—three-fourths of the loss coming from the visceral form which can now be detected.

The test uses a measured amount of chicken plasma with a prepared solution of an enzyme and an acid indicator. With plasma from normal birds, acidity doesn't show up for 30 minutes or longer. In diseased birds the reaction occurs within 20 minutes.

Winton says the test may develop into a method of warning poultrymen when the visceral form of leukosis is present. Up to now the researchers have not found whether the test will be useful in locating the disease before tumors are present.

## Tighten Rules On Display Of Wild Birds, Animals

Public exhibitions of wild birds and animals will in the future have to conform to stricter rules as a result of recent conservation commission action.

The commission specified the way in which exhibits must be treated, housed and exhibited wherever it is used for display or zoo purposes. Exhibitors have until 1956 to comply with the rule, can't avoid losing weight.

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## SODIUM ARSENITE RULED DANGEROUS AS WEED KILLER

You can probably control pond weeds with sodium arsenite.

But you also may kill the fish. And an overdose of this chemical is dangerous to livestock, and to humans.

That's the word from Dr. R. H. Grigsby, Michigan State College plant physiologist who supervised two years of extensive tests with the chemical.

"The chemical," he says, "is the best thing known for controlling pond weeds, but it's too dangerous to recommend for farm ponds."

Sodium arsenite has been used on several ponds in Michigan. But a permit to use the chemical on public lakes or streams has to be obtained from the state conservation department. And the applicator you might use has to be approved by the department, too.

The chemical will give an immediate top kill, but several seasons and applications would be needed for a permanent control, according to Grigsby. And the material accumulates in the mud of the pond, making it a continuing hazard.

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