

Gardeners Always Beware Of Bugs

Be on the alert for "hot bugs." "Hot bugs" is a term for an abnormal infestation by an insect in a certain area. For instance, last year sections of Texas were overrun with aphids and tent caterpillars.

Despite the drought, areas of New York and Philadelphia were bothered by cinch bugs.

The Pacific Northwest reported large numbers of the pine shoot moth, and Indiana

had webworms. No one seems to know just why a certain insect converges on a given locality. One chemical company wants to know about it if an insect should invade your section in heavier-than-normal numbers. It has distributed self-addressed postal cards to help make reports. The chart is designed to help you identify some of the more common insects, as follows:

CINCH BUG — About 1/6 of an inch long, sucking plant juices. Telltale sign is yellowish spots in the lawn where grass browns and dies. Spray with a chemical such as Spectracide, or use granular substance.

LAWN MOTH — (also known as Sod Webworm) Causes irregular brown spots in lawn. They are night feeders. The caterpillars 3/4 of an

inch long, usually are four, five or six in a row. The adults are small whitish-gray moth-like insects. Spray entire lawn.

BERMUDA MITE — These pests of southern lawns suck sap from grass, causing wilting and stunting. Spray lawn regularly.

APHID — These are soft-bodied insects of many colors, under 1/4 inch long and often called plant lice. They infest most garden plants, feeding by sucking plant juices. Spray entire plant.

BILLBUG — These grubs of the snout beetle feed on roots and crowns of grass plants. They are black or brown 1/4 to 1/2 inch long. Spray or spread granular form.

ARMYWORM — This insect, which can appear suddenly in hordes, attacks vegetables, lawns and flowers. It is about 1 1/2 inches long. Spray promptly at first sight.

Protect Stove Wall From Grease Spots

A washable roller window shade fastened to the wall behind your range, so that roller is hidden by the range, will protect your wall from splatters.

When cooking, pull shade up and fasten to a wall hook placed several feet above the range.

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EDWARD EVANS

Evans Joins Sales Staff of Evans

The appointment of Edward S. Evans III as the Manager of Hydra-Cushion Sales and Service for Evans Products Company was announced this week by J. R. Byrne, Vice President of Sales for Evans Transportation Equipment Group.

Evans has been Western Sales Manager for the Transportation Equipment Group at its Oakland, Calif., office since 1964. He now will be located at Group Headquarters in Plymouth.

A graduate of the University of Michigan School of Engineering, Evans has held various positions on the engineering and sales staffs of several Evans Products Company divisions since 1956. Hydra-Cushion Incorporated, the manufacturer of Hydra-Cushion sliding sill-derframes used on railroad freight cars to prevent damage, is owned jointly by Evans Products Company and Waugh Equipment Company.

Clean Plastic Covered Chair With a Ruler

When you wash a chair or sofa upholstered in plastic, make sure to reach down into all the crevices where dirt and crumbs collect.

For this, use a thin ruler wrapped with cloth and inserted into thick soap or detergent suds.

Blossom Fall Old Problem

Early blossoms of squash, tomatoes and cucumbers often drop off before setting fruit, long a problem disturbing to most gardeners.

Most cucumbers and squash frequently produce only male flowers at the start of the season.

Fruit does not set until both female and male flowers are present, later in the season.

Sometimes early cucumbers have poor results even when there are male and female blossoms.

This is due to poor pollination because of insufficient numbers of pollinating insects early in the season.

Lack of female flowers is not the problem with tomatoes as it is with cucumbers.

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