

The prevention portion of the program and of the law is most useful. County weed supervisors have made the following numbers of inspections of feed grain, hay, and nursery stock in recent years:

1954 — 11,607

1955 — 18,593

1956 — 23,376

Some workers believe that money spent to prevent the establishment of noxious weeds are the best dollars spent.

To summarize briefly, weed enforcement officials prefer to work cooperatively with people, to inspire them and encourage them to act, to teach rather than to enforce, and to do something for them rather than to them. Legal pressure is brought to bear only when all other means fail.

Erratum

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Page 210. The second and third lines read “. . . *phosphotungstic acid, solution. Centrifuge. . .*” and should read “. . . *phosphotungstic acid. Centrifuge and add 1 ml. of silver solution. Centrifuge. . .*”

News and Notes

The officers and meeting dates for the various weed conferences are as follows:

Northeastern Weed Control Conference;

President—S. N. Fertig, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York.

Vice president—L. G. Utter, Diamond Alkali Co., Painesville, Ohio.

Secretary-treasurer—Donald Schallock, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Next meeting—January 6, 7 and 8, 1959 at the Hotel New Yorker, New York City.

Southern Weed Conference;

President—Richard Behrens, Crops Research Division, ARS, USDA, College Station, Texas.

Vice president—V. S. Searcy, Alabama Agricultural Exp. Station, Auburn, Alabama.

Secretary-treasurer—W. K. Porter, Jr., Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Next meeting—January 21, 22 and 23, 1959 at the Washington Youree and Captain Shreve Hotels, Shreveport, Louisiana.

Western Weed Control Conference;

President—R. A. Fosse, American Chemical Paint Co., Denver, Colorado.

Vice president—W. R. Furtick, Oregon State College, Corvallis, Oregon.

Secretary-treasurer—E. E. Heikes, Montana State College, Bozeman, Montana.

Next meeting—February 22–25, 1960, Cosmopolitan Hotel, Denver, Colorado, when the conference acts as host for the third meeting of the WSA.

North Central Weed Control Conference;

President—Lyle Derscheid, South Dakota State College, Brookings, South Dakota.

Vice president—J. R. Foster, Experimental Farm Service, Indian Head, Saskatchewan, Canada.

Secretary-treasurer—D. W. Lambert, State Dept. of Agriculture, State Capital, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Next meeting—December 3 and 4, 1958, Netherlands Hilton Hotel, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Richard Behrens has accepted a position dealing with weed control in field crops in the department of Agronomy and Plant Genetics, University of Minnesota, St. Paul. He was formerly with the Crops Research Division, ARS, USDA and stationed at College Station, Texas.

The National Science Foundation has awarded a grant of \$23,900 to North Carolina State College for a research project entitled "The Uptake of Organic Chemicals by Plant Roots". The grant is for a period of 3 years and will be directed by R. P. Upchurch.

Raymond A. Evans has accepted a position with the Crops Research Division, ARS, USDA and will collaborate with the College of Agriculture, University of Nevada, Reno, on the control of range weeds, especially halogeton. He was formerly with the Dept. of Agronomy, University of California in Davis.