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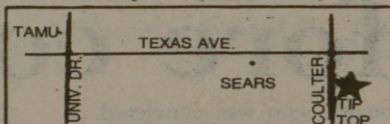
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Screwworms losing

United Press International
MISSION, Texas—A final assault on the dreaded screwworm, a cattle pest which used to cost Southwest ranchers \$100 million a year, has begun this winter and already is showing excellent results.

Dr. M. E. Meadows, head of U.S. Department of Agriculture, predicts the parasite can be far south of the border this winter and rendered only a minor pest in both Mexico and the United States by 1981-82.

Meadows said as a result of international eradication program no confirmed case of screwworm has been discovered in Texas in consecutive weeks and that September was the first screwworm-free September Texas has known.

Only 35 Texas cases have been found during all of 1977, compared to 19,975 during the same period last year, and more than a million annually before the eradication program began in 1962.

"It looks good," Meadows said. "We can't afford complacency, though."

For the first time this year Mexico participated in the 15-year-old program designed to eradicate screwworms southward to the narrow isthmus of Tehuantepec, Lower Mexico, never to bother U.S. cattle.

The \$30 million-a-year program against screwworms involves buying 1 billion sterile screwworms on both sides of the border in Texas to California each week. Scientists say the sterile flies make fertile flies and eventually overwhelm the wild fly population.

Before the eradication program began, officials estimated \$100 million to \$125 million a year was lost by U.S. cattlemen alone. The sterile screwworm flies migrated to Mexico during warm weather and deposit their eggs in wounds of the hide and other warm blooded animals. The resulting maggots, which attacked the animals, caused high expenses in manpower and treatment.

Meadows said there is no way of knowing what the dollar loss would be today, considering the higher prices of beef and lamb. The screwworm program now is devised.

Until Mexico built its own facility at Tuxtla Gutierrez, Mexico, to sterilize the flies with gamma energy, USDA screwworm fighters had to battle the annual invasion of the entire length of the 1,933-mile border. Now they predict the sterile flies eventually can be maintained only across the 100-mile isthmus of Tehuantepec.

Dr. James Novy, chief of eradication, said cold weather in winter should kill screwworms of California, Arizona, New Mexico and most of Texas, freeing up a billion flies a week for concentration on the Northern Mexico states deep South Texas. Plans are to move the sterile fly grid south each of the next three weeks.

Meadows warned ranchers, however, the flies have been known to travel as far as 180 miles in search of a livestock wound in which to sit their eggs and that just one treated animal and more untreated can lead to 100 or more within a few weeks.

"This makes it crucial that ranchers continue watching their animals and promptly forward samples of any worms found in wounds to the Mission lab for identification," Meadows said.

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SENIOR RING ORDERING PROCEDURE

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1. Leave your name, major and I.D. number with the Ring Clerk, Robin Sevén, Richard Coke Building, prior to November 10th. THIS MAY NOT BE DONE BY PHONE.
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 4. Anyone having failed to leave their name in advance and fail to bring their mid-semester grade report when ready to order will be asked to return later to allow time for records to be checked.
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 6. Students who do not place their order during this period may order after final grades are posted.
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Name: El Majdoub, Abdesslem
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ATTENTION DECEMBER GRADUATES!

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NOTICE

Biomedical Science Majors

Preregistration for the Spring Semester 1978 will be conducted during the week of November 28 - December 2, 1977.

All Biomedical Science majors must have Course Request Forms approved by their respective Faculty Advisor for use at preregistration. Each student is responsible for getting this done.

The Spring Schedule of Classes will be available on or about November 15. You can avoid long lines and excessive waiting by scheduling an appointment with your faculty advisor and having your Course Request Form approved prior to the week of preregistration. Following the conference with your advisor, deliver your approved Course Request Form to the Biomedical Science Office, Rm. 332, Veterinary Medical Administration Bldg. prior to November 24. Return to the Biomedical Science Office to pick up your registration packet and complete registration during the week of November 28 through December 2.

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