

Rhusitol Oil Receives Poison Ivy Victim's Wrath

The oil Rhusitol, that's the culprit that puts the "poison" in poison ivy and sumac. It covers their leaves and stems throughout. When seen afield, these two plants look little different from other greenery. But their surface oil is particularly troublesome to those who come in contact with it.

By far, the more troublesome of the two plants in Michigan is poison ivy, simply because it is so much more common. Poison sumac is limited in range, being found in swampy places, chiefly around small lakes or swales or along streams.

SUMAC HAS both poisonous and non-poisonous varieties in Michigan. If you get out in these swampy places during the hot months, and come in contact with the poisonous variety, you may have trouble. It is, however, much less a problem than poison ivy.

S-called "poison oak" is a popular name for either poison ivy or

poison sumac in Michigan. The real poison oak, a type of woody bush, is mainly found in warmer, or moister climates than this state's. It is not listed among Michigan's native plants.

POISON IVY, however, is a different story. It may be found anywhere. It grows in roadside patches, in small open ground clusters, in mats on a forest floor. Being a climber, it may coil around trees and bushes and even reach heights above your head.

It looks quite innocent. Coiled in with other foliage, you may not see it until too late. Its color varies with the season, from spring's pale green to summer's darker greens, to fall's reds and oranges.

There are many stories about transmission of poison ivy by air. The general drift of these tales is that wind carries the oil through the air to more susceptible patches. This is doubtful. More than likely, the sufferer who is easily poisoned has somehow unknown to himself

come in contact with the plant; or his clothing has picked up the oil and a few days later it is transmitted to the skin.

WHEN IVY is burned, however, the case is quite different. Smoke from fire can carry tiny droplets of the poison oil through the air, into faces, lungs and onto all exposed skin. If this happens, victims can become extremely ill and require a good deal of professional medical service.

More commonly, the victim picks up a localized dosage of the oil on ankles, hands, or other exposed skin. When this occurs, control should start as soon as possible. If you know you've been exposed, don't wait the day or two it takes the blisters and itching to start.

IMMEDIATELY wash the exposed area with a strong soap. Be careful only to wash the exposed area so the oil can't smear to other parts of the body. If further treatment seems necessary, apply some form of drying lotion. Greasy or oily ointments should not be used for fear of spreading the poison.

Blisters which develop contain a fluid mixture which includes some of the troublesome oil. When these blisters break, the draining fluid can spread the irritation to other unaffected skin. Keep this area as dry and the fluid as localized as possible.

ONCE YOU contact the poison, with blisters beginning to rise, the main hope is to alleviate the discomfort and to shorten the time it stays. There are no universal wonder cures. If it's a yearly occurrence and the affected area remains, small, you are perhaps the best judge and have the most experience in how it should be handled.

Your treatment may not work for somebody else. Don't hesitate too long to see a doctor.

Highway's Struiken In Private Business

H. H. Struiken, 45, chief appraiser of the Michigan State Highway Department's Right of Way Division since 1938, has resigned to enter private business as a fee appraiser.

During the last four years, Struiken has supervised the appraisal of more than 14,000 parcels of land, valued at \$130 million, which were purchased by the Highway Department for new highways.

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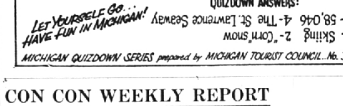
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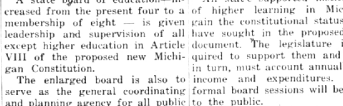
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All 1963 Autos To Have Amber Signals in Front

Starting with the 1963 models, all cars made in the United States will have amber turn signals on the front.

Tests have shown that the amber-colored signals are easier to see than the white turn signals that have been standard equipment up to now. The amber lights will contrast with white headlights.

The change was recommended to state motor vehicle administrators in 1959 by the Automobile Manufacturers Association.

Bass Fishermen Choose Nocturnal Angling

There's a distinctly new breed of fisherman springing up around this nation. He's been born of necessity and bred by a desire to catch big bass.

He's a nocturnal necessitarian—meaning, he's gotta fish at night! At one Bull Shoals, Michigan, dock over a weekend in late April, 51 bass taken over four pounds, all but one were caught at night.

Why? Bass always have been caught during daylight hours... What's changing them? WELL, maybe they've always been caught in daytime because that's when the majority of fishermen prefer to fish for them. But, veteran anglers have known for years that the biggest bass feed almost entirely at night.

On the Track

Robert P. Brinkman, 5740 Bloomfield Glen, West Bloomfield Township, has been elected executive vice president of the National Model Railroad Association. He will be installed at the annual convention in Montreal, Quebec, Aug. 16-19.

Visits Enterprise

Cmdr. George S. Hodges, USN (Ret.) of 405 Lone Pine, Bloomfield Hills, was among 44 pioneer naval aviators who visited the world's first nuclear-powered attack aircraft carrier, the USS Enterprise, at the Naval Station, Norfolk, Va.

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CON CON WEEKLY REPORT

Education Assumes New Role

A state board of education—increased from the present four to a membership of eight—is given leadership and supervision of all except higher education in Article VIII of the proposed new Michigan Constitution.

The enlarged board is also to serve as the general coordinating and planning agency for all public education, including higher education. It is to advise the legislature as to the financial requirements of all state educational institutions.

The eight members of the board are to be elected on a partisan basis for eight-year overlapping terms. The governor is to be a nonvoting ex officio member of the board to help bring about a stronger link between the executive office and the state's educational system.

UNDER THE TERMS of the proposed Article, the superintendent of public instruction will be no longer chosen at statewide partisan elections. He will be appointed by the state board of education and will be the principal executive officer of the state department of education.

All state-supported institutions of higher learning in Michigan gain the constitutional status they have sought in the proposed new document. The legislature is required to support them and they, in turn, must account annually for income and expenditures. Their formal board sessions will be open to the public.

The governing boards of the University of Michigan, Michigan State University and Wayne State University are to consist of eight members each, elected on a partisan basis for eight-year terms. They are to have supervision and control of their respective universities, present and future, including selection of their presidents.

The other state colleges and universities, present and future, are to have individual boards of control appointed by the governor with the approval of the state senate. The boards will have eight members each serving eight-year terms with the same supervision and control of their institutions as specified for the three major universities.

THE ARTICLE also specifies that the junior colleges are to be supported by the state. A new eight-member state board for public community and junior colleges, appointed by the state board of education, will serve in an advisory capacity for these institutions.

The convention decided that in the field of caring for and supporting the handicapped, present constitutional language is too restrictive and in some cases out-moded. References to the "deaf, dumb, blind, feeble-minded and insane" are replaced by language recognizing the areas of the mentally, physically or other seriously handicapped. State support is broadened to include programs and services as well as institutional treatment.

The Education Article also calls for a system of libraries open to all Michigan residents. Provisions continue to be earmarked for library support, including county law libraries which now share in such collections by legislative enactment.

Section one of the Article restates the famous language which originated in the Northwest Ordinance of 1787 and was set forth

2 Highway Veterans Retired

Two State Highway Department executives with a total of more than 60 years of service were honored recently at retirement luncheons.

They are Merle Walker who retired with more than 34 years of service, and Robert V. Russell, Sr., who stopped down after 26 years of service with the Highway Department.

Roadside parks were named in honor of both men. The Walker park is on US-131 about 14 miles south of Kalkaska. Russell's is on US-2 about eight miles west of Escanaba.

WALKER mastered both engineering and personnel administration during his years with the Highway Department. He earned degrees in civil engineering and surveying in seven years of correspondence school study and became superintendent of maintenance in northern Michigan.

Policies he established after becoming personnel director in the early 1940's have become state procedures for the Michigan State Highway Department and have been adopted by highway departments in other states.

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