

SUGGESTIONS

FOR

Agricultural Secretaries and Weed Inspectors

INTRODUCTION.

1. The suggestions contained herein are to be taken for what they are worth to you. We do not know all your conditions, neither are we acquainted with many of the problems that confront you in your work. We in our work come in touch with many men, and for the most part, the statements made and suggestions given herein are based on the experience of these men. We have endeavored to explain and set forth in different ways the most common problems confronting the weed inspector. We want entire sympathy between our work and yours, and our business is to give you assistance in your work. We will do the best we can, and if you have problems confronting you, in the solution of which you can find no help in this pamphlet, write us directly. *Always mention number of municipality when writing.* Do not feel that you are being neglected if your letters do not always receive an answer by return mail, because it is necessary for us to spend a great deal of time in the field if we are to be in a position to deal with your questions in an intelligent manner. If you will take the trouble to read these suggestions over carefully several times, you will be able to find in them afterwards an answer to almost any of your questions. In your work bear in mind that a man can but do his best, but that his best is expected. (See, also, No. 23.)

THE NOXIOUS WEEDS ACT EXPLAINED.

2. In enforcing The Noxious Weeds Act, only one rule can be given—"use common sense." Don't be officious, but enforce the Act a little in advance of public opinion, not necessarily for the eradication of weeds, but rather for the protection of adjoining farms. Give only what orders are absolutely necessary, and see to it that they are complied with. Never give an order that you have not the authority to carry out. (See, also, Nos. 23, 6, 58, 63.)

3. Section 2, Clause 7.—Any land within the boundary of the municipality, the owner of which does not reside in the municipality, and has no one resident in the municipality to attend to his interest may be considered as unoccupied land. See, also, the amendment to section 8, and when in doubt, give the owner the benefit and proceed