

agricultural secretary should not be given authority to constitute itself a clean seed district, and have a municipal bylaw to prevent the sowing of any seed infested with seeds of noxious weeds. It would be a simple matter to inspect all seed during the winter months and also very simple to locate any flagrant violations. (See, also, Nos. 6, 7, 9, 10, 45.)

**83. Q.** A field is sown to wheat or flax, but for several reasons there is practically nothing but weeds when the inspector sees it in July. The owner considers the land as being in crop. What action should the inspector take?

**A.** That some grain has been spread over a field in the spring, and a little of it has grown is no reason why it must necessarily be considered as being in crop. If there is not sufficient crop there to pay for harvesting, it should be dealt with under section 7. If the owner seriously objects, then deal with him later under section 5. He should have the full penalty if he prevents action under section 7 by agreeing to take care of the field after harvesting any supposed valuable parts, but does not carry out his promises. (See, also, Nos. 7, 24, 25.)

**84. Q.** Can a weed inspector change his orders?

**A.** Yes, if contingencies arise which give new conditions. In giving orders where the consent of the councillor has been necessary, the order cannot be changed without the written consent of this councillor or his successor. Don't make changes by word of mouth. Have all orders and changes certified to by the signatures of all persons concerned. Some men forget and they need to see their own name in their own handwriting to remind them of the stand taken by them on a previous occasion.

**85. Q.** In the case of neglected weed inspection in adjoining municipalities, towns or villages, what should the inspector do?

**A.** Notify the department at once—not after the weeds have gone to seed. (See, also, Nos. 8, 22, 75, 58, 87, 20.)

**86. Q.** If an owner fails to notify the secretary treasurer of an agent appointed under the proviso to section 8, must the inspector send any notice to the owner?

**A.** The Act does not require it, but as mentioned several times in this pamphlet, it would be no more than business courtesy to notify the owners. In many cases, it would save money for the municipality. (See, also, No. 36.)

**87. Q.** Can a ratepayer take action against a weed inspector for neglect of duty?

**A.** Yes, under section 25 of the Act. (See, also, Nos. 58, 66, 20, 22.)