

Did You Know?

While science and technology are striving to remove algae from ponds, some superintendents are accomplishing the task with a simple bale of barley straw. Two bales, per acre foot of water is the recommended rate. The bales should be wrapped in chicken wire and anchored with a cement block. Dr. Eric Nelson of Cornell University theorized that the method works because nitrogen in the water is tied up during decomposition. Since nitrogen in the water promotes algal blooms, they stop.

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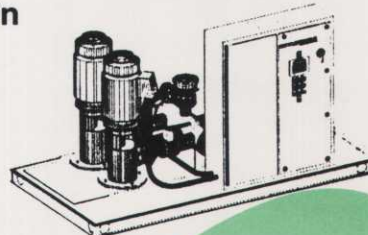
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