

Completed silk cocoons on broomweed



Description

Completed silk cocoons on broomweed at Mineral Wells, Texas. When the worms are ready to spin their cocoons, bundles of broomweeds are placed on the trays and the silkworms crawl up into the weeds to spin their cocoons. This photo was sent to President Harry S. Truman by Ernest M. Mims, Manager of the Chamber of Commerce of Mineral Wells, Texas. The city established a silk harvesting and hosiery manufacturing plant.

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