

Eradicating the prickly pear (1951)

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NARRATOR: The Federal Council for Scientific and Industrial Research attacked the pest, prickly pear, that covered in the north east an area larger than England. Scientists experimented for years before they found, in America, an insect to destroy the cactus, Cactoblastis. Science was industry's partner. On freed land, crops and pastures grew again.