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Northeast Weedmen Meet Jan. 9-11 For 17th Annual NEWC Conference

Promising new chemicals and other developments in the weed control industry are being examined closely by more than 700 state, federal, and industry workers from 15 northeastern states at the 17th annual Northeastern Weed Control Conference.

D. A. Schallock, extension weed control specialist at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J., conference president, is opening the three-day conference Wednesday morning, January 9th, at the Hotel New Yorker, New York City.

First paper of the more than 125 to be delivered is by A. T. Hanson, Head-Overhead Lines Section, Boston Edison Co., Boston, Mass., on what his firm expects in chemical brush control.

Other programs of special interest to contract applicators on Wednesday are new chemicals for weed control, by Dr. R. D. Ilnicki, N.J. Agricultural Experiment Station, New Brunswick, and a panel on new herbicides, chaired by A. Zaharachuk, G. L. F. Soil Building Service, Ithaca, N.Y.

Thursday afternoon, during the sessions on agronomic crops, Drs. R. A. Peters and P. E. Keeley, from the University of Connecticut, Storrs, are covering the use of Atrazine for crabgrass control.

Thursday morning’s session on industrial chemicals includes a report on tractor-mounted mist blowers and an analysis of 10 years of chemical brush control. Chairman of the session is B. W. Bergstrom, New England Power Service Co., Boston, Mass.

In the afternoon, Paul M. Ritty and M. G. Wiltse, from The Dow Chemical Co., Midland, Mich., are reviewing grass control on railway roadbeds.

A thorough study of aquatics is tentatively scheduled for Thursday morning. J. E. Gallagher, of Amchem Products, Inc., Ambler, Pa., is program chairman.

Five studies of weed control in turfgrass, under the chairmanship of J. F. Cornman, Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y., are set for Thursday or Friday morning.

A. M. S. Pridham, also from Cornell University, reports on experiments with Casoron, for weed control in ornamentals, Friday morning, in the session on horticultural crops. Later in the morning Pridham discusses the residual effect of herbicides on growth of ornamentals.

Discuss Soil Fumigant

Following Pridham’s second paper, Trizone, reported to be a new broad spectrum soil fumigant, is being reviewed by The Dow Chemical Co.’s R. P. Harrison.

Friday morning’s session on agronomic crops contains two features of special interest to CAs: use of herbicides in the establishment of Bermudagrass, by R. W. Duell and R. D. Ilnicki, from the N.J. Agricultural Experiment Station; and chemical control of Bermudagrass, also by Duell and Ilnicki.

Andrew M. Ditton, from the N.Y. State Department of Public Roads, heads the final session of the 3-day conference, on highways.

MH-30 Examined

First report in this group, scheduled for 8:30 Friday morning in the Washington Room of the Hotel New Yorker, covers trials to determine the practical application of MH-30 in a roadside maintenance program. E. W. Muller, landscaper for the N.Y. State Department of Public Works, in Hornell, leads discussion of this subject.

MH-30 will also be covered later in the morning, when U.S. Rubber’s Paul W. Bohne investigates how rates, time, and concentration affect the ability of MH-30 to retard grass growth.

Two other reports being given Friday morning are oil-soluble amines for roadside brush control, by Richard J. Marrese, from Diamond Alkali Co. in Cleveland, Ohio, and a review of herbicide work on Pennsylvania state highways.

In all, more than 125 papers, covering horticultural and agronomic crops, aquatics, and turf, are being delivered at the 3-day convention.

Shell Has Dieldrin Brochure

A new 12-page, 4-color brochure on dieldrin has been released by Shell Chemical Co.

Titled “How to Control Lawn Insects,” the pamphlet is divided into three sections: soil insects, foliage insects, and the forms and uses of dieldrin. Included are dosage specifications, plus illustrations and descriptions of each of the common lawn insects and the damage they do.

CAs may obtain a free copy of the brochure by writing to Agricultural Chemicals Division, Shell Chemical Co., 50 West 50th St., New York 20, N.Y.

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