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Wants National Group
As a note of general interest to your subscribers, our organization (Pesticide Sprayers Association Inc. of Portland, Ore.) is a very active association which meets monthly on the first Monday. Our chief aim is to educate ourselves and the public in the safe, effective use of pesticides. We have our own county agent on our board of officers and keep a full slate of top experts on our meeting agenda as speakers and sources of advice.

Last fall we met with the Seattle group (Washington Ground Sprayers) and plan to host a Northwest Regional Meeting here in Portland next September. More information on that later. We have previously discussed a regional and even a national association as things to point toward in the future. These are developments which must come for the good of the industry.

Your publication is read with much interest here.

William L. Owen
Vice President
Pesticide Sprayers Assn. Inc.
Portland, Oregon

If any readers are interested in attending Mr. Owen’s regional meeting, or in helping establish a national or regional group, we suggest writing him at 8520 S.E. Hood, Clackamas, Oregon.

Aquatic Reprints?
I would like to receive the first two articles of the series of three dealing with aquatic weed control. We are at present a subscriber to Weeds and Turf but were not when the first two installments of the series were published.

Robert M. Stern, Ph. D.
Director of Research
Great Lakes Biochemical Co., Inc.
Milwaukee, Wis.

This letter from a midwestern aquatic weed control company is typical of scores of inquiries we’ve received about our series on aquatic weed control. Indeed the response has been so gratifying that we intend to make the entire series available as a single reprint sometime in the early part of the year. Availability and price for the reprint will be announced in W&T as soon as possible. Ed.

Where to Buy Thatch-O-Matic
Your September issue contains an article on de-thatching (Business Opportunities in Turf Reseeding, p. W-17) which has possibilities. Please tell us where we can get further information on the Thatch-O-Matic.

Walter Rhoads
Gold Coast Power Spraying
Pompano Beach, Fla.

The Thatch-O-Matic is manufactured by the Parker Sweeper Co., 91-99 N. Bechtle Ave., Springfield, Ohio. The firm will be happy to furnish further details to anyone who writes. Ed.

Sales Leads . . .
Please advise if you have information on firms which offer industrial weed control services in the following states: New York, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey, and Florida.

We have a concern that is interested in service in these states, as well as in Ohio. Of course, we can take care of them here, but perhaps some other operators will want the contract in the above states.

L. A. Smith
President
Azo Chemical Co.
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Canton, Ohio 44704

Of course subscribers to WEEDS AND TURF magazine include thousands of contract application firms, and probably all these with offices in the above states would like some more business. However we do not feel it proper for us to single out one such firm over another, so we’re printing Mr. Smith’s letter in hopes interested CAs will write to him directly. Ed