Aerate or Power Rake turf before you spray or spread weed killers, pesticides, insecticides.

Both aerating and power raking open turf so chemicals get into the soil or surface mat faster. You’ll also get better chemical coverage . . . lose less in the air . . . lose less to run-off from watering or sprinkling. You benefit—and your customers get the double benefit of aerating or power raking plus chemical control!

Circular Outlines Method For Control of Nutsedge (Nutgrass)

Agronomists at North Carolina State have concluded that it may be impossible to get rid of nutsedge (nutgrass), but it is possible to control it. Their findings appear in a new circular which outlines control procedures.

The agronomists, A. D. Worsham, G. C. Klingman and R. P. Upchurch, say that nutsedge can be controlled “with properly timed applications of chemical weedkillers.” They also proceed to outline the proper chemical weedkillers to use, when and how to use them.

Also listed are steps to be taken to control nutsedge in specific crops, as well as in lawns and flowerbeds. The agronomists point out that dense shade and repeated tillage, as well as chemicals, can be used to control the pest.

Free copies of Circular 452 on controlling nutsedge are available from the Department of Agricultural Information at North Carolina State, Raleigh, N. C.

Rutgers Turfgrass Field Days

Rutgers University’s annual Turfgrass Field Days will be held at the University, New Brunswick, N. J., on the following dates:

Aug. 12—Lawn and Utility Turf.
Tours start at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. each day. Individual inspections of the plots are invited before or after the tours. All interested turfmen may attend.

Omega Fertilizer Is Leased

Kerr-McGee Oil Industries, Inc., Oklahoma City, has leased the facilities of the Omega Fertilizer Works. John D. McLeod, who has operated Omega, will manage the business for Kerr-McGee, and will initiate an expanded fertilizer production and marketing program.

The fertilizer firm has plants in Omega and Tifton, Ga.

Gentle Prompter.

St. Louis is getting set to celebrate its bicentennial, and City Commissioner of Forestry Edward J. Schrader is determined his metropolis on the Mississippi will look its best for the event. He recently urged residents to "lay out the green carpet" for visitors by sowing grass in vacant lots to help eliminate weed growth. As Mr. Schrader puts it, "This is an encouraging note to those who fail to keep weeds "cut down to size" will be issued summons by the police. St. Louis city officials are empowered by law to cut weeds at the property owner’s expense if weeds are allowed to get out of hand, and we heartily endorse Commissioner Schrader’s determination to keep St. Louis green yet free of weedy eyesores!

Hot Tip.

Another encouraging note for weed control applicators: an official in Nebraska recently warned the public that burning is an antiquated and dangerous way to remove weeds. Not only that, but it’s almost pointless, the Nebraskan says, since the weeds merely grow back. While we and our readers take this for granted, it’s good to know that potential customers are getting the message, too, that weed control is a matter for professionals!