New Hercules Film Depicts 'Visko-Rhap' Efficiency

Hercules Incorporated has recently made available a 16-mm color film depicting spraying techniques and effectiveness of its drift-resistant "Visko-Rhap" emulsion herbicides.

"Profiles in Spraying," filmed on location throughout the country, enables viewers to observe ways in which these commercially applied herbicides control weeds along roadsides and rights-of-way and in drainage control districts.

In addition to new spraying methods and equipment, the 14-minute film illustrates the drift-, washoff- and evaporation-resistant properties of Visko-Rhap weed killers, even when applied under varying weather conditions, according to Hercules.

Requests for the film should be directed to the Advertising Department, Hercules, Inc., 910 Market St., Wilmington, Del. 19899.

Koren Student Works On Turf Hybrids

A young Koren student, now working on his doctor's degree at Rutgers University is finding some answers to the problem of developing bluegrass hybrids.

The student, Sang Joo Han, recently presented his approach to the problem to members of the American Society of Agronomy at their New Orleans, La., meeting.

Since beginning work three years ago, Han has produced more than 500 bluegrass hybrids. His methods consist of transplanting bluegrass seedlings to field nurseries in late summer, where they remain until January or February. They are potted and moved to the greenhouse to flower. Just before the flowers are due to open, Han dips each plant into 118°F water for one minute. This kills the pollen but does not harm the remainder of the flower. Once flowers open, he dusts them with previously selected pollen. The following year, he then selects hybrid seedlings from the offspring of this mating.

These special methods have permitted Han to make crosses and produce what promise to be superior hybrids.

Turf Conference Scheduled for Sunny Miami Beach

The South Florida Golf Course Superintendents Association will play host to the 40th International Turfgrass Conference & Show to be held at Miami Beach's Fountainbleu Hotel, January 19-24.

The program—which includes some 40 speakers, special clinics and an equipment segment entitled "The Greatest Show on Turf"—is geared for the benefit of superintendents, although anyone interested in turf maintenance and management is welcome, says Stanley E. Clarke, Jr., past president of South Florida GCSA.

Dr. James R. Watson, Director of the Agronomy Division of Toro Manufacturing Co., Minneapolis, Minn., will chair sessions on executive management, such as: Federal Wage and Hour Law, Get the Message Across, Plan for a Successful Committee Meeting, Building an Efficient Staff and Better Business Management.

Among the featured speakers are Dr. Glenn W. Burton, principal geneticist at the Crops Research Div., Agricultural Research Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Georgia Coastal Plain Station; and Dr. Paul M. Alexander, professor of horticulture at Clemson University (South Carolina).

While husbands attend educational sessions during the day, wives will be treated to a complete program of social activities; so, ladies, start singing "Take Me Along!" so he'll get the message.