



A hinged hood panel provides easy access to the new power take-off air sprayer recently introduced by the F. E. Myers & Bro. Co., Ashland, Ohio. Round spray tank is designed with a removable top to facilitate inspection and cleaning.

### Myers Introduces Model A-32 Power Take-Off Air Sprayer

A new, power take-off air sprayer, designed to provide fast and economical production in a wide variety of spray applications, has been introduced by the F. E. Myers & Bro. Co., Ashland, Ohio.

Called the A-32, the new model is available in either 300- or 400-gallon tank sizes, and comes equipped with Myers 6125 spray pump, said to operate at pressures up to 800 lbs.

### Ansul Chemical Co. Introduces New Post-Emergent Herbicides

Two new post-emergent herbicides from Ansul Chemical Co. have recently been marketed by that firm.

Ansar 157 monoammonium methanearsonate, which has been tested under two separate formulations, A-12 and A-12-M, is claimed effective in controlling crabgrass, dallis grass, and nut grass in established turf. Recommended treatment is 1½ to 2 lbs. per acre.

Bermuda, blue grass, dichondra, and zoysia grasses are tolerant, while St. Augustine and centipede are susceptible to this compound, according to Ansul.

Ansar 184 is a technical grade product containing the equivalent of 100% disodium methylarsonate hexahydrate, the company reports.

Herbicidal activity on grassy

Straight-through drive shaft is incorporated, and power take-off shaft is the ball-spline type, designed for minimum thrust on the sprayer and the tractor bearings while the shaft is turning, a company spokesman reveals. Spray tank, as well as all blower parts on the new A-32, are protected against corrosion by Myers' epoxy coating, the firm reports.

For more information on the new sprayer, write the company in Ashland, Ohio.

weeds and relative safety from a toxicity point of view are two of its outstanding characteristics, Ansul spokesmen claim.

Ansar 184 acts primarily as a foliage-absorbed agent, and the observed symptom of herbicidal activity is a gradual chlorosis of the leaves 2 to 4 days after application, the firm reveals.

Brochures are available on both herbicides. Interested CAs may write the firm, at Marinette, Wis., for a free copy of the pamphlet on Ansar 157 or on Ansar 184.

### Tobacco Fumigating Covered

Correct techniques to fumigate tobacco seed beds are detailed in a new pamphlet published by the Great Lakes Chemical Corp. Importance of properly preparing and fumigating seed bed soil are stressed in the folder, available by writing the firm at 206 South St., West Lafayette, Ind.

O good grief, here she comes again! Last month the Columbia Broadcasting System put another spotlight on Rachel Carson and her antipesticide obsessions. The hour-long program, which was relatively fair in its presentation, surely had many CAs groaning "When will it all end?" *Silent Spring* has been talked about as much as the weather, but in this case, it can't be said that nobody does anything about it. Witness a recent issue of an electric utility company house organ. The paper, *West Penn News*, employee paper for the West Penn Power Co., of Greensburg, Pa., lists some questions which employees may be asked, by fearful if unknowing neighbors, about chemical brush control along rights-of-way. And the answers, prepared by West Penn's Fred Ashbaugh, are fast, factual, and facile. We congratulate Fred for pointing the way for his personnel to answer outsiders queries. (Fred's well known in the industry as a long and ardent supporter of the Northeastern Weed Control Conference.)

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*Long day's journey into blight.* We've just heard about Florida nematologist Gil Whitton, assistant county agent in Pinellas County, and the gruelling 12-hour days he puts in working on *Your Florida Lawn*, soon to be published by the Florida Turf Grass Association. Gil, an expert on top dressing, thatching, and verticutting, wheels through this formidable schedule apparently fortified by his ever-present black cigar, and bottomless cup of black coffee. These Florida scientists just aren't prone to lie in the sun, it seems to us, when there's turf blight to be eliminated!

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*Under (and over) his thumb.* We just had a nice letter from D. Parker-Sproule (part of which appears in the *Letters* column on page W-6) who runs Thumb Weed Spraying Service in Harbor Beach, Mich. Mr. Parker-Sproule is of Canadian origin, and has a most varied background in weed and general pest control. For example, he once took an expansion-minded pest control firm in Toronto, which had nine branches, and turned it into a bonafide weed control company, which later received contracts ranging from military camps to private estates to entire cities! The versatile Canadian also operated in Sarnia, Ont., where he guided what he calls modestly and simply "a large operation." This "operation" was apparently a major one, because the firm added industrial plant site weed control contracts to its books, along with lawn spraying jobs, and again, contracts for weed and turf work for complete cities. What made Mr. Parker-Sproule forsake all this for Michigan's Thumb? You guessed it! "I was finally sold on coming to the state of Michigan to join my wife," he writes candidly.

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*Our busy suppliers.* Just learned that Geigy's George R. Ferguson (he's president of the herbicide/insecticide firm) addressed a Rutgers University gathering recently about the need for more technically trained, research-oriented scientists for industry. Most CAs, whose expanding businesses keep them constantly on the go, will probably agree that this industry, in particular, has lucrative, challenging positions for young chemists, botanists, and horticulturists.