



The J-4 Jr. Dial-a-matic fertilizer spreader features a highly accurate metering and spreading mechanism, says Tyler Mfg. Co., Benson, Minn. Said to be ideally suited for use in orchards, on truck farms, sod plantings, golf courses, and parkways, this unit features a ground-driven, stainless-steel conveyor to assure uniform spreading regardless of speed.

### Tyler Introduces New Fertilizer Spreader

A new 2-wheel trailer spreader with 1-ton load capacity has been introduced by Tyler Manufacturing Co., Inc. Capacity can be increased to 2 tons with box extensions.

Named the J-4 Jr. Dial-a-matic, the PTO-drive spreader features a highly accurate metering and spreading mechanism used for the well-known Tyler 4-ton pull-type spreader.

Relatively light weight on full-size tires provides superior flotation, the company says. Low profile and short coupling give tight turning radius, making it easy to apply fertilizer where it is needed in areas which are normally hard to reach with bulk spreading equipment.

The patented metering dial is easy to set for exact pounds of fertilizer per acre to meet soil requirements, it is reported. Twin 12-inch angled distributors deliver a uniform 30-foot spread pattern. The stainless-steel, heavy-duty conveyor is ground driven to assure uniform distribution regardless of speed. Field operating speeds range up to 12 mph.

The company adds that this unit is ruggedly built for general-purpose service wherever a compact, high-performance

spreader is needed. Solid axle and Timken bearings with heavy-duty hubs is another feature of the J-4 Jr. It is capable of high-speed highway travel.

Further information about the Tyler J-4 Jr. Dial-a-matic is obtainable from the company by writing to Sherman Kavanaugh, sales manager, Tyler Mfg. Co., Inc., Benson, Minn. 56215.

### Kosesan Heads Ore. Weedmen

Delegates to the Oregon Weed Conference, held recently at Salem, elected Bill Kosesan president for 1965. Kosesan is associated with the Oregon State Department of Agriculture, Salem.

Assisting him in future guidance of the organization are: Paulene Kaseberg, grower, Wasco, vice president; Rex Warren, Oregon State University, Corvallis, secretary; and Clark Amen, American Cyanamid Co., Corvallis, treasurer.

### Diamond Adds Phenoxy Plant

Expanded facilities for the production of phenoxy herbicides at Diamond Alkali Company's Newark, N. J. plant are nearing completion, according to John S. Cort, Jr., general manager, Agricultural Chemicals Division, Cleveland, Ohio.

**Arborist Acton Retires.** After 27 years with the Asplundh Companies, Daric Acton has retired. He was regional manager of Asplundh's Pittsburgh office, from which he directed Asplundh activities in the entire Western Pennsylvania Division. A family man through and through, Daric was assisted in recent years by his son, Gareth, who for the past several years was chief of field operations, and who now takes over as regional manager! Daric, at the time of his retirement last June, was Asplundh's senior vice president. His wife Sally, long a staunch supporter in her husband's career, will share the retirement days with her husband. We congratulate the entire family on their many years of service!

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**Paving the Way!** A versatile weed controller in Diablo, Calif., Mac D. Osburn, is a well-known contract applicator in West Coast circles who's been in the business for a long time. In addition to his industrial and commercial weed control jobs, Mac also offers prepavement control to prevent weeds from disrupting the roadways and parking lots of the nation's fastest growing state. Our reporters had a chance to benefit from veteran Osburn's comments during the recent California Weed Conference in Fresno.

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**Flying High.** Anyone who's had any frightening experiences with airplane trips recently should talk with John Vawter, sales engineer for the R. H. Bogle Co. in Alexandria, Virginia. John was reactivated during the Korean conflict a number of years ago and tells how he and his flight crew kept running out of gas over the same spot while flying practice missions. Actually a crewman tended to forget to switch tanks in time, but the interim aloft with sputtering engines tops most of our tales of trouble in the air!

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**Water Wonder.** On hand for the recent Aquatic Weed Control Society Meeting in Chicago was Dave Sheridan, who, with his father Robert, runs an aquatic weed abatement service in Dover, N.J. In addition to out-and-out contract jobs, Dave and his Dad offer consulting services for people with water weed problems. Unusual to find a father and son team in such a relatively new business? We would think so, although readers may know of similar instances??!

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**Neighbor from the North.** Delegates to the recent International Turf-Grass Conference and Show in Cleveland included at least one contract applicator from Canada. He's Jack Cliff, of General Lawn Spray, Ltd., in Downsview, Ont. Good to have a chance to welcome our good neighbors to this side of the Great Lakes!