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Heavy duty articulated knuckle boom loader with 20-foot reach and 400 degree swing along with powered crushing rolls constitute the heart of Precision Chipper's new Tree Destroyer.

#### Precision Builds New Unit A Major Model Chipper

Precision Chipper Corporation, Birmingham, Ala., has introduced a new chipper for the market. It is a 67,000 pound unit which handles trees up to 22" in diameter.

Previously the company has built big, stationary chipper units for the forest products industry. With the new restrictions on burning of waste wood products, the company has foreseen a demand for the larger chipper units by municipalities, parks, and tree care companies.

The Tree Destroyer now being marketed is a 75", 3-knife unit powered by a Cummins 310 hp diesel engine. It is the first of three models now on the market and in the planning and construction stages. A second model will be a 48" unit, and the third unit will closely approximate the smaller units which are now standard for the industry.

Bob Smith, vice-president and in charge of marketing for the company, says that the new unit at 67,000 pounds is 19,000 pounds heavier than any other unit on the market. The weight, he says, is important in that it (along with four hydraulic stabilizers) keeps the unit stable under the repeated pounding of heavy loads.

Other features which permit this model to withstand heavy pressure include 20-inch dual-tandem wheels, extra pipes in the curved framing to prevent big tree limbs from hanging up, and a heavy duty articulated knuckle boom loader with a capacity of 7,504 pounds at 15'.



Precision Chipper management team— Bob Smith, vice-president, left, and Harold L. West, president, check hickory chips during demonstration of Model 75 chipper.

#### USDA Releases New Environmental Bulletin

A new publication by the United States Department of Agriculture, Managing Our Environment, has been released. It has special sections on protecting land, water and waterways, and on management of farm wastes. New areas include recycling food processing wastes. Copies (at 75¢ each) are available from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C.