



### DuPont's T. C. Ryker Retires After 26 Years

Dr. Truman C. Ryker, product development manager for seed and soil fungicides of the Du Pont Company's biochemicals department, retired in May, completing 26 years with Du Pont.

The plant pathologist spent six years in research on rice disease at Louisiana State University and started with Du Pont as a field biologist in Baton Rouge. He came to Wilmington in 1950 as development and technical service representative and since 1964 has been product development manager. During this period he has been concerned with seed and turf fungicides and the development of new crop fungicides.

(Editor's Note: "T. C." has been an authority and generally an ambassador of good will in the development of Benlate benomyl fungicide as an aid in the control of Dutch Elm Disease. His energy and enthusiasm in helping to conduct meetings, his unquestioned expertise in the field of plant pathology, and his devotion to Du Pont and the protection of crops and horticultural plants have placed him at the pinnacle of his outstanding career. Few plant pathologists there are who do not personally know of or have not experienced the excellent work of T. C. Ryker. He has the rare gift of knowledge, wit and boyish energy.)

Dr. Ryker is a graduate of Mississippi State College. He received his master's degree from Louisiana State University and his doctorate from the University of Wisconsin. He is a member of the American Phytopathological Society.

T. C. retires to his home in Wilmington, Delaware where he will be available for consultation services.

### 2,4-D Formulation Added To Velsicol Line

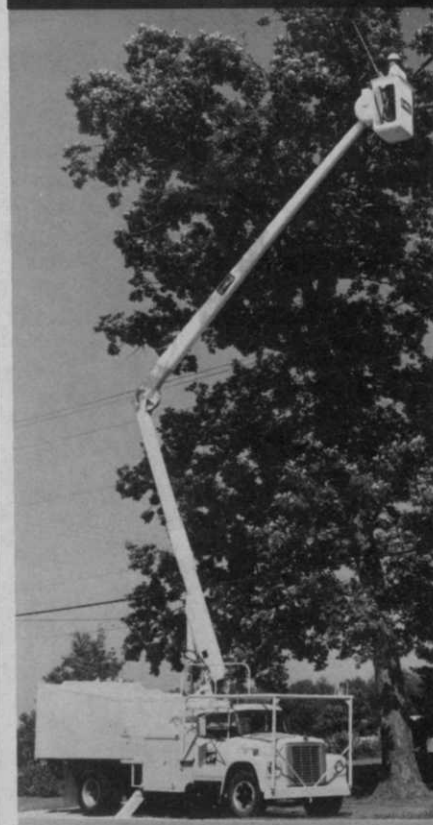
Velsicol Chemical Corporation has introduced a new 2,4-D amine formulation for professional weed control in turf according to a company announcement.

L. E. Carls of Velsicol said the new product "fills a void" in the company's growing line of herbicides and insecticides. Velsicol also manufactures and markets Banvel herbicide, Banvel + 2,4-D herbicides, and offers a complete line of

chlordane and heptachlor insecticide formulations. Bandane herbicide is the company's crabgrass control product.

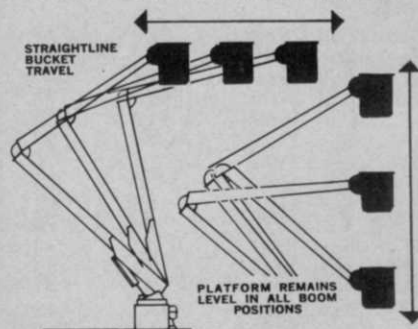
The new 2,4-D amine contains the equivalent of four lbs. 2,4-D acid per gallon, and is economical and effective for controlling many weeds commonly found in turf, along roadsides and fencerows, in grass waterways and drainage ditches. These include: bindweed, burdock, bur ragweed, cocklebur, ground ivy, lambsquarter, morning glory, nutgrass, plantain, purslane, and wild onion.

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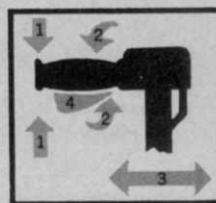
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