

## AMVAC Chemical Corp. Plans Attack On Aquatic Weeds

AMVAC Chemical Corporation has announced plans to launch a full scale offensive against weeds, algae and other aquatic pests.

Of growing concern to everyone from EPA to sportsmen's groups is the condition of much of the water in the United States. Many bodies of water are choked with weeds and algae as a result of natural aging or other outside influences. While these aging processes are difficult to reverse, whether from natural causes or from other factors, symptomatic relief is available.

One of the reasons that persons owning or controlling water find it difficult to obtain information on this subject is that most of the materials available for this use have been offshoots of research in other areas, says the corporation. Another reason for the lack of readily available information has been the lack of trained personnel at the distributor level. Only a handful of such specialists exist, and a competent staff is difficult to assemble.

Justin Fuelleman, technical director for the organization, brings years of experience in weed abatement and

aquatic pest control to the firm. Jack Prieur, as sales manager, is well known to public health and mosquito abatement personnel throughout the western United States. With the recent addition of Richard Zuccarini as a full time aquatic specialist, the firm becomes one of the first organizations in the west to create such a department.

Plans are to offer materials and recommendations for total aquatic habitat management as the situation dictates. "We feel that ill considered use of materials creates problems greater than those that already exist," says Justin R. Fuelleman. "No responsible Pest Control Advisor advocates unplanned and indiscriminate use of any agricultural chemical."

"We try to make recommendations which make maximum use of available natural controls and require a minimum of outside influence. This is not only the least expensive way," says Richard Zuccarini, "but it gives the longest lasting results.

"We cannot expect to have clear water all year around without expending considerable effort. As the season progresses, it is natural for most bodies of water to become choked with weeds, algae and other

matter. In the fall, with changing seasons, this dies back, decays, and as a result, fish and other aquatic creatures die. This is the natural system of checks and balances. Eventually all lakes grow old and die. The older they are physically, the greater the effort to keep them alive and safe for humans and animal life.

"In the end, it comes down to dollars and cents. We can devote a considerable amount of time and effort to a project, but we have to pay for materials. If we cannot find enough concerned people to raise the capital, neither we nor anyone else can begin."

## Stanley Hydraulics Is New Ackley Name

Ackley Manufacturing Co., Clackamas, Oregon, subsidiary of The Stanley Works, has recently undergone a name change. The new name will be Stanley Hydraulic Tools, Division of The Stanley Works.

No other changes in company management or policy will occur, said Robert J. Lytle, president, Stanley Hydraulic Tools.

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