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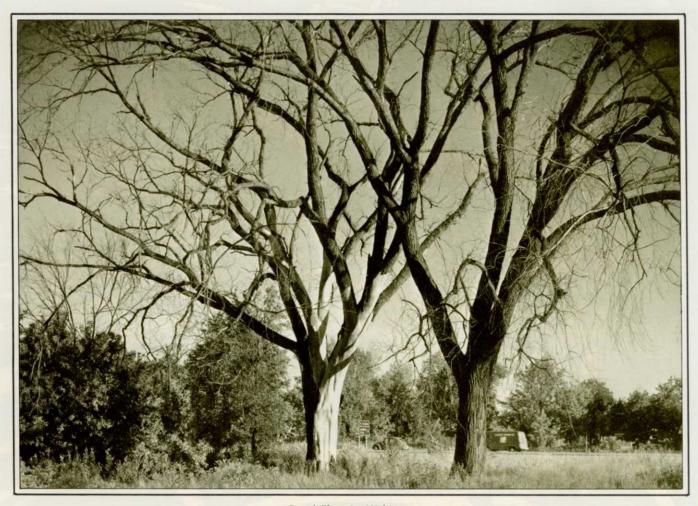
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Dead Elms In Michigan.

## DUTCH ELM DISEASE

One Step Closer To A Cure

**D**ISCLOSURE in mid-January by Secretary of Agriculture Earl L. Butz of a research breakthrough in the control of vascular wilt diseases of trees has brought scientists closer to finding a cure for Dutch Elm Disease.

The disease that for more than 40 years has plagued the stately giants of America's historic past is now being conquered. The chance for complete eradication is still far off, but organizations, concerned citizens and scientists are now working with renewed interest to combat this disease that annually takes many thousands of elm trees in its toll.

The breakthrough described by Secretary Butz is a technique of making an essentially insoluble

#### EDITOR'S NOTE:

The Environmental Protection Agency has just Federally registered Benlate benomyl fungicide as an aid in the control of Dutch Elm Disease. The Du Pont Company, manufacturers of the product, said Benlate is recommended for use on elm trees as a foliar spray or trunk injection treatment.

Du Pont cautions that the label says that Benlate is to be used by trained arborists in conjunction with sanitation and insect control programs. Consult with local and state authorities for additional information concerning the use of Benlate.

chemical soluble and rapidly injecting it directly into the elm tree, rather than through the soil. The chemical-benomyl-has been under intensive investigation by plant pathologists at the USDA Plant Science Research Division's Shade Tree and Ornamental Plants Laboratory at Delaware, Ohio. The situation confronting these scientists initially was that while benomyl fungicide exhibited local systemic properties, i.e. xylem movement from the point of entry upward to twigs and leaf tips, not enough of the chemical could be economically applied in other than a laboratory situation to effectively combat Dutch Elm Disease. Now with the (continued on page 63)



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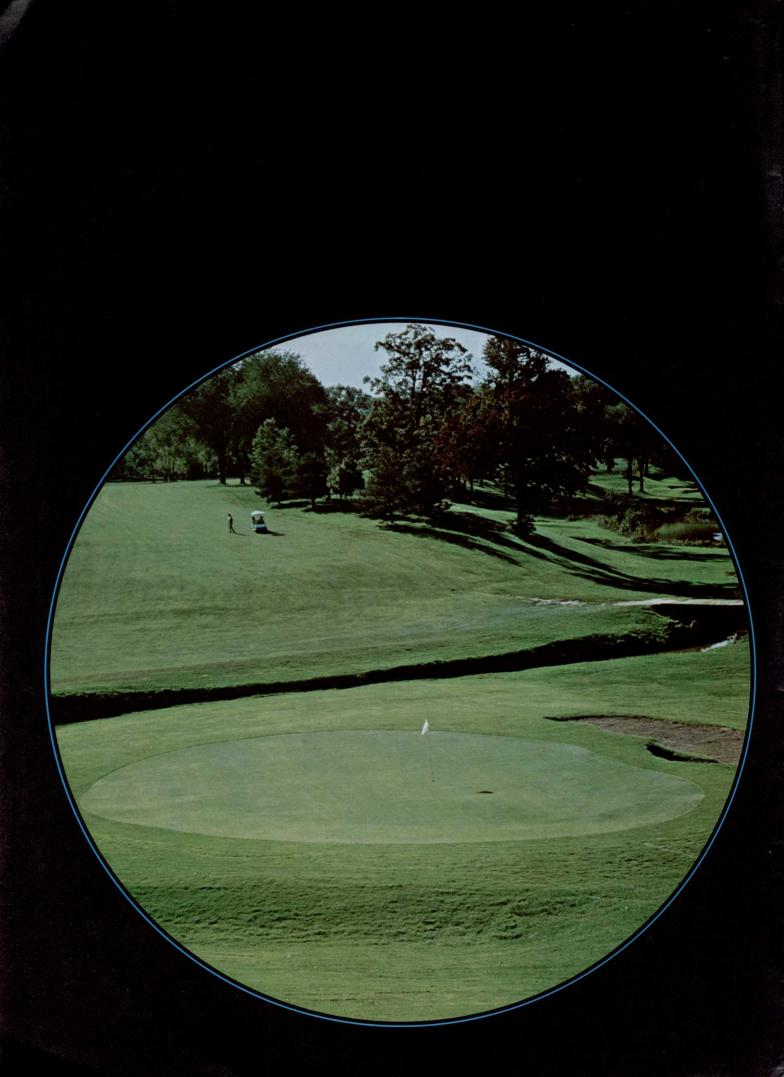
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Just one application in early spring will control weeds for a full season. In the case of *Poa annua*, another application in late summer keeps this late germinating pest out of sight. Don't worry about residue build-up

Don't worry about residue build-up either. Dacthal degrades in one season; it's not persistent in the soil

#### **Dacamine**®

For those areas where broadleaf weeds are a problem, use Dacamine Turf herbicide to sustain your Total Turf Care. Postemergent Dacamine kills dandelion, plantain, poison ivy and most other broadleaf weeds.

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Dacamine is an oil soluble concentrate. This allows it to penetrate waxy leaves and move all the way to the roots – killing the whole plant.

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Daconate is a ready-to-use arsonate liquid, pre-mixed with the right amount of surfactant for maximum coverage and control. Since it is an organic arsenic compound, it does not have the more toxic properties of inorganic arsenic compounds, such as calcium or lead arsenate. For best results, spray Daconate during warm weather when weeds are actively growing.

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### Accutrol—Industry Unites Chemicals And Air

**H**ARNESS air to apply chemicals! That's the latest way to spray chemicals for brush control.

Sound incredible? Velsicol Chemical Corporation doesn't think so. They've developed a new concept in spray application that is winning much attention from applicators across the country.

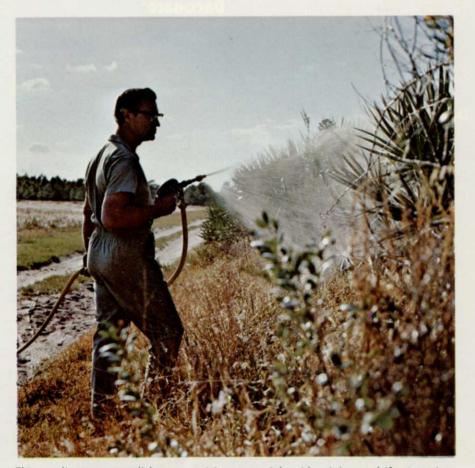
Called Accutrol, the new system: 1. minimizes drift and environ-

mental problems.

2. reduces the number of times required for refilling spray tanks.

3. increases the efficiency of the chemical being sprayed.

Accutrol basically consists of two parts, a special nozzle and spray adjuvant. The nozzle produces large droplets of air emulsion which have little or no tendency to float in the air.



This applicator accomplishes a precision spray job with minimum drift. A variety of spray patterns are available with the Accutrol handguns.

Large droplets ordinarily would not provide good coverage because there would be too much space between the droplets, but the spray adjuvant compensates for this by causing the droplets to spread over the surface of the plant, thereby increasing the area of contact. The adjuvant also reduces spray run-off by causing the chemical to stick to the target plant and to penetrate through the waxy surface of the plant.

The nozzle and adjuvant create a spray mix resembling foam, although Velsicol is careful to point out that it isn't really foam. It's a mixture of air and water and is called an "air emulsion".

"The difference between air emulsion and foam, as most people think of it, is that foam is thick and heavy and does not readily break apart," says Phil Nathan, product manager for Accutrol. "A heavy type of foam that does not readily flow would not be appropriate for brush control because coverage would not be thorough. Accutrol flows readily and rather resembles the froth on top of milk rather than the thick, heavy type of foam that comes out of a shaving cream can."

Drift control is only one advantage of Accutrol. The white spray is highly visible against green vegetation. The applicator can see the volume of the spray and see where the spray is falling and make necessary adjustments, thereby minimizing skips and reducing excessive spray usage.

Savings in time is another major advantage. Only one spray tank is needed. With Accutrol the number of times required to refill spray tanks is reduced. Less water is required be-(continued on page 53)

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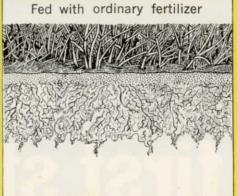
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