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Users Tell The Story

"We have been using Eversman levelers for over fifteen years," writes Dale Habenicht of H & E Sod Nursery, Inc., Tinley Park, Illinois. "Several other types were tried, but we've always found the Eversman to be the most satisfactory. They give us the smooth surface we are looking forwith easy maneuverability.

"The H & E Sod Nursery operates three farms consisting of 1300 acres. I commute between farms with my Cherokee 180 and use the sod fields that have been leveled by the Eversman for landing strips."

"We could not properly prepare our seedbeds without the Eversman Leveler," writes Parker Sherling, Manager of Princeton Turf Farms, Inc., Centreville, Maryland.

"In preparing our fields," Parker Sherling continues, "we instruct our operators that a field is not ready until a car can be driven in any direction at 40 miles per hour over the field. It's a joke, but we actually bring our fields to this condition.

"Our operators have also developed the skill where we can shape our drainage ditches with the same machines, thus saving the rental of additional equipment."

WEED CHALLENGE

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in 13 locations in Floriad last August. He said that the insects have successfully completed their life cycle on water hyacinth and careful examination of the leaves has revealed eggs and developing larvae produced by this generation.

Dr. Robert W. Geiger, 3M Company spoke on a new algicide for filamentous algae and chara. He said that promising results from early tests indicate effective control of these problem weeds.

New officers of SWSS for 1973 are: Dr. Allen F. Wiese, Texas A&M University, USDA Southwestern Great Plains Research Center, Bushland, Texas, president; Dr. William G. Westmoreland, Ciba-Geigy Corporation, president-elect.

Turfgrass Weed Control Studied In NE Universities

New compounds and techniques of weed control in turfgrass continue to be major areas of study in many northeastern universities.

The evaluation of pre-emergence crabgrass herbicides goes on in an effort to discover effective materials which may be used more safely on a wider range of turfgrass species. The flexibility in time of application is also an important consideration.

In post-emergence applications made by John A. Jagschitz, assistant professor plant and soil science dept., University of Rhode Island, new compounds which can control the grass-like weed nutsedge are also being evaluated.

Chemicals which prevent seed head formation are also under test. This work is being done by T. L. Watschke, J. M. Duich and D. V. Waddington of the department of agronomy, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, Pa. These chemicals will prevent the spread of weeds which must reproduce by seed. Lawn grasses are perennial in nature and reproduce by the formation of underground or aboveground stems which produce new plants. Lawn grasses need not ever go to seed as must annual broadleaf and grassy weeds.

This is another method of plant population control without the immediate elimination of the weedy plant pest. It is a program approach and may someday supply another useful tool to the turf grower.

Hale Pump Line Expanded

To meet the growing demand for increased volume and pressure ranges in irrigation pump requirements, Hale Pumps, Conshohocken, Pa., has recently broadened its lines of irrigation pumps. This expansion includes important additions to its PTO and skid and trailer lines.

In the PTO group, Hale now has a full range of pumps to match the power of every tractor size — from 15 hp to 150 hp. These pumps are designed to meet any irrigation volume requirement — from 200 gpm to 2000 gpm at operating pressures from 150 psi through 200 psi.

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GREATEST SPECTACLE

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He also suggested strongly that employees be subjected to hearing tests.

In the area of administrative control of noise, he offered these suggestions: 1. Don't operate equipment too near the edge of a course too early in the morning. It distracts adjacent landowners. 2. Don't use two pieces of high noise emitting equipment together. 3. Trees, bushes and other vegetation act as a noise barrier. 4. Keep equipment in good repair.

James L. Holmes, the Green Makers, Bryan, Texas expressed his views as a builder in changes affecting green construction. Noting that greens have been built quite far into the south which support excellent bentgrass turf, he said the key to a properly constructed green is in adequate infiltration, percolation, water retention and drainage.

Dr. R. E. Engel, professor, soils and crops department, Rutgers University spoke on "the effect of nitrogen fertilization on annual bluegrass encroachment in bentgrass. He feels the management practices of superintendents in relation to nitrogen use are in part responsible for the en-



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Clifford A. Wagoner, superintendent of Del Rio Golf and Country Club, Modesto, Calif. is the new GCSAA president.

croachment of annual bluegrass. He said that it has been shown that high rates of N often result in more annual bluegrass.

"Experience gained from research trials has taught us one lesson on N fertilization of bentgrass turf," he remarked. "Namely, avoid any type of high N treatment that is likely to cause massive turf failure and open the turf to increased encroachment of annual bluegrass.

He offered these suggestions to superintendents: 1. Use no more N than necessary for satisfactory growth. 2. Slow, steady growth is best. This is best done with small and more frequent applications. Amount of clippings in optimum cool weather and color are good indicators of N need. 3. Establishment or re-establishment are the only place for more generous N programs on bentgrass.

Changes in automatic irrigation concepts from the manufacturer's point of view was the title of the presentaion by Ed Shoemaker, national sales manager, Rain Bird Manufacturing Corporation.

"As a marketing organization," he said, "We see ourselves helping you stay out of the traps and pitfalls in a major undertaking such as the construction of an automatic irrigation system." He said these traps can be avoided with the system has the proper planning: 1. Inadequate budget: 2. The free plan; 3. Custom designed equipment; 4. Do it yourself; 5. The low bid; 6. Cut now — pay later; 7. Push button operation.

Speaking about the changes in the demand for superintendents, Gregory W. Graham, turfgrass manage-(continued on page 76)

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- meeting dates -

- Iowa Golf Course Superintendents Association, 39th annual turf conference, Ramada Inn, Waterloo, Ia., March 12-14.
- Turfgrass Conference, North Carolina State University, Faculty Club, March 13-14.
- Western Society of Weed Science, annual meeting, Ridpath Hotel, Spokane, Wash., Mar. 13-15.
- National Conservation Tillage Conference, sponsored by the Soil Conservation Society of America, the American Society of Agronomy, the American Society of Agricultural Engineers and the National Association of Conservation Districts, Hotel Fort Des Moines, Des Moines, Ia., March 28-30.
- Arizona Turfgrass Conference, Plaza International Hotel, Tucson, Ariz., April 4-5.
- Atlantic Provinces Turfgrass Conference and Exposition, Halifax, N.S., Canada, April 9-10.
- Annual Spring Institute (Horticulture), sponsored by the University of California agricultural extension and the Southern California Turfgrass Council, Quality Inn, 616 Convention Way, Anaheim, Calif., April 18-19.
- Florida Turf-Grass Trade Show and Turf Management Clinics, Curtis Hixon Convention Hall and Manger Motor Inn, Tampa, Fla., April 29-May 2.
- Pacific Seedsmen's Association, annual meeting, SS Queen Mary, Long Beach, Calif., April 29-May 2.
- Central Plains Turfgrass Field Day, Minor Park, Kansas City, Mo., May 8.
- Florida Nurserymen and Growers Association, The Breakers Hotel, Palm Beach, Fla., May 17-19.
- Western Chapter, International Shade Tree Conference, annual meeting, Hotel Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah, June 17-20.
- International Turfgrass Conference, 2nd annual, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg, Va. June 19-21.
- American Association of Nurserymen, Radisson Hotel, Minneapolis, Minn., July 14-18.
- Hyacinth Control Society, Hotel Monteleon, New Orleans, July 15-18.
- American Sod Producers Association, annual meeting, Denver, Colo., July 16-19.
- International Shade Tree Conference, 49th annual meeting, Sheraton-Boston Hotel, Boston, Mass., Aug. 12-16.
- Industrial Weed Control Conference, 8th annual, Texas A&M University, College Station, Tex., Oct. 15-17.
- Central Plains Turfgrass Conference, Manhattan, Kans., Oct. 17-19.
- California Weed Conference, Woodlake Inn, Sacramento, Calif., Jan. 21-23.
- Southern Weed Science Society, Sheraton Biltmore Hotel, Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 22-24.



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HALT WEED ASSAULT (from page 14)

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Manicured I a w n s and ornamentals greet visitors at Ft. Dix, one of the largest military installations in the northeast.

fence lines alone."

Haug relies on two basic chemical recipes to keep weeds in check. Areas near trees or high-value ornamental plantings are treated with a mixture of Simazine weed killer plus a con-(continued on page 62)





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