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because it can be applied at any time during the growing season. ARSENAL controls not only existing vegetation, but also new weeds that germinate after application. So you get residual control for the rest of the season. On hard-to-kill vegetation, ARSENAL keeps working on the roots until complete control is achieved. In spray solution, ARSENAL is stable for several days. That means no waste due to decomposition, and no chance of under-dosing target vegetation.

ARSENAL offers control, including the	
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Kochia	Kudzu
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NEWS/TRENDS

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Golf course boom continues

Golf course construction and remodeling should continue to prosper in 1986, according to John Watson, president of the American Society of Golf Course Architects. The reason? Lower interest rates.

"The pent-up demand that had not been met for five years because of high interest rates was unleashed in 1985, and that momentum will continue through the next few years," Watson says.

Watson says that golf course architects face a new challenge today in designing courses which meet the needs of various players.

The sport is attracting more seniors, women and juniors. This has led to the construction of more executive courses, particularly in the Sun Belt, to accommodate older players who can't hit the long ball.

"With most new and remodeled courses having a wide range of tees, players of different ability can realize equal challenges from each hole," Watson says.

Watson adds that another trend is to remodel old courses. "Today's high-performance golf clubs and balls enable the better golfers to score higher than they should," he says. "Therefore, architects are developing master plans to phase-in new tees and greens, reposition bunkers, and add water retention ponds for both aesthetic and preservation purposes."

For more information on building or remodeling courses, write the American Society of Golf Course Architects, 221 N. LaSalle St., Chicago, IL 60601.

Slowpokes ousted from Denver's courses

■ In an effort to eliminate five to six hour 18-hole adventure the Denver Department of Parks and Recreation created a "time to play" rule last summer.

The new rule states that each group of 18-hole golfers must finish the first nine in two hours, 20 minutes or be removed from the course. Nine-hole players must finish hole number four or number 13 in one hour or face ejection.

The system works by using a time clock which stamps a group's scorecard before the first tee. A ranger checks the scorecard at holes number nine and 14. If a group is late, they can't continue on and the late time is added to the following group's time. A revised municipal code enforcing this is part of the time limit rule, in case a group refuses to leave the course for slow play.

At the Wellshire and Kennedy courses in Denver, the average time after two and a half months for nine holes was two hours, eight minutes and for 18 holes was four hours, 18 minutes.



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GREEN INDUSTRY NEWS

EPA proposes diazinon ban

The death of 546 Atlantic Brant geese at a Long Island golf course (see WT&T, Aug., 1984) has been cited as partial reason for a ban on golf course use of diazinon insecticide recently proposed by the EPA.

Steven Schatzow, EPA director, said that the agency was changing its policy to encompass not only public but wildlife health, according to a story in the New York Times.

Schatzow noted 60 different reports of geese, ducks, herons and pheasants which had died in large numbers on golf courses and turf farms treated with diazinon.

Waterfowl is attracted to open, grassy feeding sites of golf courses and turf farms because they can easily be seen from the air.

But there is also some concern about diazinon use on lawns, recreational areas and parks.

In its position document, the EPA further stated that it "wants to emphasize that the concern is not limited to golf courses and sod farms. The agency does not have sufficient data to evaluate all of the sites, but will require such data.Pending review...the agency may or may not initiate a special review."

Ciba Geigy Corp., the major pro-



ducer of diazinon, is standing behind its product.

"It can be used safely with the proper procedures, one of which is watering it in properly," says Bob Clark of Ciba-Geigy. "We will be meeting with the EPA's Scientific Advisory Panel, probably in April, to present our case.

"This is not just a monetary matter—only 5-8 percent of the total use of diazinon is by golf courses and sod farms—but we strongly feel that our data supports use of the chemical," Clark concludes.



CHEMICALS

EPA wants MCPP research data

The Environmental Protection Agency has called for the suspension of the manufacturing of mecoprop (MCPP), a widely-used postemergence broadleaf herbicide. The EPA wants more data.

EPA has issued notices of intent to suspend to some registrants of MCPP for noncompliance with data call-in requirements. It has also done the same with a registrant of maneb, a turf fungicide.

The EPA sent suspension notices to the following MCPP registrants: Germains, Inc., Los Angeles, Calif; Arco, Inc., Irwin, Pa.; Hysan Corporation, Chicago; Estech, Inc., Chicago; Koos, Inc., Kenosha, Wis.; and NCH Corporation, Irvin, Texas.

A similar notice was sent to Agchem Division, Pennwalt Corporation, Philadelphia, to suspend production of maneb.

EVENTS

Landscape Expo to kick off on Mar. 5

The 1986 Landscape Expo will open its doors on March 5 at the Valley Forge (Pa.) Convention Center.

The convention, which expects about 6,000 visitors, is being staged by HBJ Conventions and Expositions. It is cosponsored by WEEDS TREES & TURF and LAWN CARE INDUSTRY magazines, both HBJ publications.

Registration will be available at the door.

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Sloane (right) salutes Citation

of Merit winner

Melvin Lucas.

New Yorkers present merit citation to Lucas

The New York State Turfgrass Association presented its Citation of Merit to Melvin Lucas, Jr. during the group's turfgrass conference and tradeshow in Syracuse.

Lucas, golf course superintendent at Round Hills near New Bedford, Mass., has served as president of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America, the NYSTA, and the Long Island Golf Course Superintendents Association.

The NYSTA elected new officers during the conference. They are: Jack Sloane, Oakwood Morningside Cemetery, Syracuse, president; William Stark III, Bellevue Country Club, Syracuse, vice president; and Steve Smith, I & E Supply, Montgomery, N.Y., treasurer.

Newly elected members to the board of directors include J.R. Brundage, Brundage Lawn Maintenance, Medina, N.Y.; Tom Charnock, Brookfield Country Club, Clarence, N.Y.; Jim Girard, Jim Girard Landscaping, Glen Falls, N.Y.; and Rick McGuinnes, Woodmere Club, Woodmere, N.Y.

The NYSTA, with 850 members, is one of the largest state turfgrass associations in the country.

TREES

Researchers getting to root of chestnut blight problems

It may not be too long before you can once again roast chestnuts on an open fire.

Scientists at Michigan State University may have discovered a cure for the chestnut blight which has killed off most American chestnut trees.

The researchers have found a naturally-occuring virus which can infect the fungus that causes the blight. The virus makes the fungus harmless, allowing the surviving chestnut roots to send up healthy shoots, which eventually grow into trees.

Although similar viruses have recently been found in chestnut trees, this is the first time scientists have succeeded in getting the virus to spread to other chestnuts.

The chestnut blight, which was first recognized in 1904, did the most damage through the 1950s, killing an

estimated 3.5 billion trees.

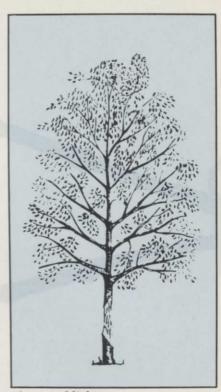
Since that time, most chestnuts roasted at Christmas have been imported from Italy.

The origin and nature of the newfound virus remains a mystery. What is known is that it differs from ordinary viruses since it lacks a protein coat.

It consists only of a double strand of RNA. Also, it can only exist in fungal cells and is only transmitted when an infected fungal cell fuses naturally with the cells of an uninfected fungi.

The mysterious disease worked quickly, decimating even the largest trees—ones 120 feet tall with 13-feet diameters—within two to three years.

The chestnut virtually disappeared from the American forest causing a recession within the American forest industry.



Chestnut blight

PESTICIDES

Expert panel cites 'national chemical scare'

"We're in the midst of a national chemical scare."

"A minefield of risks—that's how the public sees the pesticide issue. It's a black and white issue."

Dr. Allen Felsot, professor of environmental entomology at the University of Illinois, then switched gears. "I have news for you. When it comes down to economic issues, pesticides are good."

Speaking at the North Central Turfgrass Expo in Peoria, Ill., Felsot assured his audience of lawn care operators and turfmen that "the risks (of pesticide exposure) are actually quite low but you should never be complacent."

Felsot said the risks the public are exposed to each day (he cited natural radiation as one) are actually greater than those posed by pesticide exposure.

During the same session, Wendall R. Mullison, an agricultural products development research scientist with Dow Chemical, added: "Everything is toxic at some concentration, everything is non-toxic at some concentration." He attributed the quote to Paracelsus, a scientist of the Middle Ages known to some as "The Father of Toxicology."

Mullison, listing the importance of



Mullison, Dr. Felsot

pesticide use, said the United States Dept. of Agriculture estimates that without pesticides, food production would be off 50 percent in the U.S.

Felsot and Mullison stressed that proper disposal of pesticides should be of paramount important to users. Mullison said incineration of those materials is a trend that will become the norm in the future.

Unfortunately there are those who disregard proper disposal procedures, said Illinois EPA agricultural advisor A.J. Taylor.

Improper handling, storage, and disposal of pesticides has resulted in higher levels of toxins in streams located near pesticide storage sites.

During his presentation, Taylor showed extreme cases of improper pesticide storage and disposal. He urged his audience to use proper handling techniques, conceding that "pesticides will continue to be used. Let's be as cautious as we can."

He cited contamination of groundwater as the "hottest issue" associated with pesticide use today. Other speakers included:

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• Dr. Jack Murray, research agronomist for the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture in Beltsville, Md., on "Potential for Breeding New Zoysiagrasses."

• Dr. William Meyer, Turf Seed Inc. of Hubbard, Ore., on "Breeding for Disease Resistance in Cool Season Turfgrasses."

• Dr. Richard Skogley, turfgrass professor at the University of Rhode Island, on "Ryegrass for Athletic Turf."

• Dr. Joe Vargas, plant pathology professor at Michigan State University, on "Take-All Patch & Disease Update."

• Dr. Kent Kurtz, turfgrass professor at Cal-Poly Pamona, on "The Wonderful World of Sports Turf."

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