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## WEEDS

(A Useless or Troublesome Plant)

If Mark Twain were living he probably would say, "The only trouble with weeds is that are too damned many of them."

Well, these weeds can be sorted out into various categories like grasses, broadleaf, blondes, clover, etc. Special chemical herbicides have been developed to kill these weeds (all except the blondes) with little or no damage to the adjacent lawn grasses.

We are sorry to inform you, however, that the degree of the results are apt to depend more on your equipment and skill and on correct timing than on the chemical itself.

Before we go into the technical problems of use and selection of weed killers let us look at a couple of problems:—

1. Each can, bottle, bag or box of material has on the exterior the minimum number of words necessary to:
  - a. Tell when to use it
  - b. Tell how to use it
  - c. Tell what to use it on
  - d. Warn you of dangers
  - e. Eliminate the manufacture from any liability in connection with the use of the product

It is up to you to familiarize yourself with these instructions. After all, would you give some calf's brains without learning how to remove them from the skull?

2. Distribution rate is CLEARLY noted on the package. If it says to put 4 tablespoons in a gallon of water on 200 sq. ft. they MEAN JUST THAT.

Whether you use a pressure sprayer, hose type sprayer, sprinkling can or what it is, is up to you to practice with plain water in order to know just what to do or how fast to walk to put the gallon on the prescribed area.

Now we are ready to go!

Following is a list of materials and their uses and which we carry:

**BONIDE'S DI-SODIUM-METHYL ARSONATE (SODAR)**  
A powder to be mixed with water and primarily a crabgrass killer.

**VAUGHAN'S K.O. SODAR PLUS 2-4D**  
A powder to be used in a fertilizer spreader for crabgrass and broadleaf weeds.

**CRAB-NOT—POTASSIUM CYANATE**  
A powder to be mixed with water and sprayed for crabgrass control.

**CRAB-NOT SPECIAL—POTASSIUM CYANATE PLUS 2-4D**  
Same as crab-not but kills broadleaf weeds also.

**ORTHO'S LIQUID CRABGRASS KILLER—SODAR**  
For crabgrass.

**CWK**  
A special selective herbicide especially for chickweed.

**DUPONT'S 2-4D, and WEED SPRAY BOMB**  
Both for broadleaf weeds and the latter leaves a faint white coating for a day to mark the weeds which have been treated.

**ORTHO'S WEED-B-GON—2-4D PLUS 2-4-5T**  
A liquid spray for broadleaf weeds.

**WEEDONE CLOVER KILLER—2-4-5T**  
Very selective liquid spray.

**ACP POISON IVY KILLER**  
Contains Amizoi Terriic.

**DUPONT'S AMMATE—AMONIUM SULFAMATE**

**TRIOX—SODIUM ARSENITE**  
Kills all plants.

Our recommendations on these products are as follows:

**BEST FOR CRABGRASS—CRAB-NOT SPECIAL**

**BEST FOR BROADLEAF—WEED-B-GON**

**BEST FOR POISON IVY—ACP POISON IVY KILLER**

When you read this it will be a good time to go after the weeds—especially crabgrass and other very matted types of weeds. When they are dead they can be raked out, the bare areas prepared and seeded and nature will do the rest... also the author of this killing piece will be looking for weeds among the grapes of Martha's Vineyard.

"Killer Kane"

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## BOOKS and REVIEWS

**The Locust Fire**  
Author: Eugene Brown  
Publisher: Doubleday & Co.  
Reviewer: Jean Leness

As a portrayal of the air war in China during the latter phase of World War II, Eugene Brown's novel is quite adequate and often vivid. Through George Lewis, the chief character, the ugliness and desolation of life at this time are shown, and are brought more strongly into focus by the contrast between the ancient countryside's beauty and the constantly grinding airplane motors and many streetwalkers.

Beyond this picture, however, "The Locust Fire" achieves little—if anything, George Lewis, who missed becoming a pilot because of a chance accident, has had to content himself with being a radio operator, is just not a very interesting character.

HIS thoughts are monotonous and his actions purposeless. Certainly war is unattractive and solitary.

**Victory**  
Author: Joseph Conrad  
Publisher: Doubleday & Co., Inc.  
Reviewer: Josephine Mason

Superficially "Victory" is a thriller, filled with intrigue and treachery in a South Seas atmosphere. Axel Heyst, the hero, is a good man. Lena, the heroine is faithful and beautiful. The villains, Mr. Jones and friends, are the essence of evil and brutality.

Conrad often mentioned his "secret intentions," and there is no doubt such an intention exists in this novel. "Victory" is a two level story, and one must look beyond the almost phantom-like characters for their true meaning.

Since Conrad's "secret intention" was never actually divulged, we can only guess at the symbolism intended by the author. It appears to this reviewer to be allegorical.

ON ONE SIDE we have Axel Heyst, an indolent intellectual, (probably modeled after Conrad himself), a sometimes artist who has lost touch with humanity.

Close to Heyst is another isolated human being, the lovely orphan girl Lena, befriended and eventually rescued by Heyst from the unwelcome attentions of Schomberg, a sex-starved hotel keeper.

Against these forces for potential good, Heyst and his lumbering volcano, are massed the powers of evil. There is Schomberg, filled with unreasoning hatred, and a harbinger of malicious gossip.

TOO COWARDLY for physical violence in words and plots against the innocent. He is the catalyst who sets the spark to the fire that ultimately engulfs both good and evil.

Allied with Schomberg are the unholly three, satanic Mr. Jones, his henchman Ricardo, and Pedro, the brute.

Spurred on by Schomberg's lies that Heyst is secreting a hoard of stolen money on his island, this infamous trio appear almost dead

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