

**PURINA'S STARLICIDE  
MAY BE ANSWER**

## Having Problems With Starlings?

If you've been fighting a losing battle with starlings and other pest birds, Purina's Starlicide may be the answer.

Purina salesmen have found that one of the most effective approaches is for area cattle feeders to get together and have "kill days", usually coordinated by county agents or other local advisors. Since starlings will move from one feedlot to another, this practice helps reduce the total number of birds in a given area.

According to the Purina officials, Starlicide contains "an effective, painless, slow-acting poison." Starlings eat the combination bait and poison, then fly away to die at their roosting places, or on the way. A very low percentage actually die at the baiting station as the poison takes as much as three days to work. The slow-acting property of the product helps keep birds from becoming shy or suspicious of the bait. Danger to

other birds and wildlife is kept to a minimum since the poison is selective to starlings and effective against blackbirds. Other birds are not attracted by the bait.

While dead birds generally do not cause a problem or affect the animals that eat them, it's recommended that dead birds at the bait site be picked up.

On large lots of more than 10 acres, no more than 20 lbs. per acre should be used. Small lots shouldn't use any more than 50 lbs. per acre. Simply scatter the recommended amount of the product on dry or frozen ground making sure to keep Starlicide away from domestic fowl or animals.

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Stumpcutter handles stumps of any diameter up to 36 in. high.

**REMOVES BIG STUMP IN 15 MIN.**

## Can You Use A Stump Cutter?

Stump cutting is getting to be a popular sideline custom service for farmers, says Bernard Hnath, general manager of Ashland Industries, manufacturer of the new Stumpmaster which "disappears" a 24 in. dia. stump (to 14 in. below ground level) in less than 15 min.

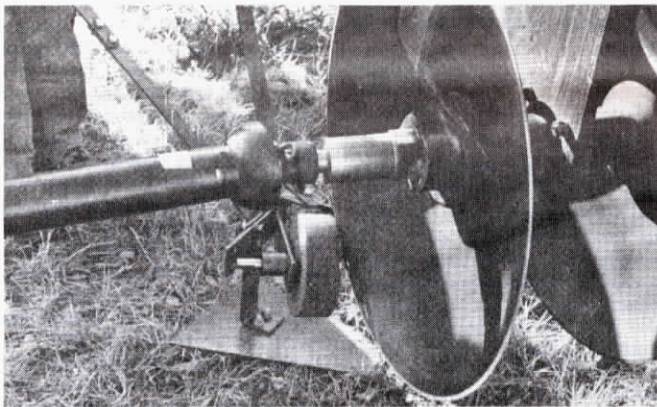
The Stumpmaster operates off the tractor's pto and hydraulic system. Its cutting wheel is equipped with carbide-tipped cutting teeth. The teeth are distributed over both the edge and face of the cutting wheel, letting it cut full-face as it's maneuvered across the stump, grinding it to chips. Two hydraulically-lowered stabilizer legs hold the cutter in place.

The Stumpmaster requires a minimum 40-hp. tractor to cut at its maximum speed. It will handle stumps of any diameter and up to 36

in. high from ground level. (Stumps higher than this can easily be reduced to size with a chain saw.) Most farmers who buy the machines to do custom work hire out to cities, parks and homeowners. The going rate for custom stump cutting is right at \$1.50-\$3.00 per inch of stump dia. This requires that stumps be removed before they finance a home, a policy that helps generate business in many areas, Hnath points out.

Suggested retail is \$5,185. Replacement teeth sell for about \$12 ea. but rarely have to be replaced if you avoid running the wheel in dirt, says Hnath.

For more details, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Bernard Hnath, General Manager, Ashland Industries, P. O. Box 47, Ashland, Wis. 54806 (715 682-4622).



Disc sharpener sharpens discs as tractor pto turns with aid of pto adapter.

**SHARPENS ANY SIZE DISC, INCLUDING  
NOTCHED ROLLING COULTERS**

## New Go-Anywhere Disc Sharpener

You can sharpen worn discs right on the farm, as soon as they need it, with a new portable disc sharpener from Pydee Engineering Co., Ltd., Winnipeg, Man.

The grind-in-place sharpener consists of a grinding wheel mounted low to the ground on a metal stand, with handles for the operator; a pto shaft; and an adapter that fits on the gang bolt of the disc.

"You bolt the adapter to the gang

bolt, then run the pto shaft from there to the tractor. With the pto engaged, all the discs will turn and you just slip the grinding wheel underneath and sharpen them one by one," explains N.C. Pydee, company president.

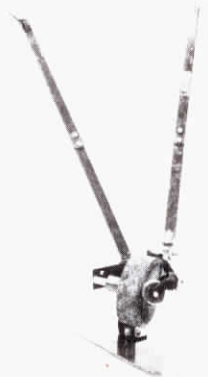
Any diameter disc can be sharpened, since a larger disc only increases rpm's of the spinning grinding wheel. Even serrated or notched discs can be given a sharp edge with

the portable device. You can sharpen as many gangs of discs as are in the same plane and connected by a gang coupler. The tractor can be hooked up to an exposed gang bolt at either end of the implement.

"With this sharpener, you don't have to wait on a custom sharpening service, or haul discs into town to get the work done. Old blades will look like new wherever you do the work—whether at headquarters or in the field," Pydee points out.

Sharpener retail price is right at \$169.50, plus \$19.95 for the adapter.

For more information, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Pydee Engineering Co., Ltd., Special Products Division, 1018 Sherbrook St. Winnipeg, Man. R3A 1N8 (ph. 204 774-7417).



Sharpener works as well in the field as in the shop, says manufacturer.