

Gumweed



Photo by the late Dr. W. C. McCalla

Grindelia squarrosa (Pursh) Dunal

This rather coarse, western American perennial herb will grow in dry overgrazed pastures or in moist alkaline meadows. With its bright yellow flowers, nearly an inch across, it frequently makes showy patches in the open prairies. The plant is easily recognized by the sticky heads and the strongly recurving phyllary-tips which are shown so clearly in the photo.—Ed.