

MR. JAMES STEVENSON,, President of Terminator Products, Inc., Oakland speaker at the January meeting gave a report on current and coming regulations in regard to handling pesticides. He said that the E.P.A.'s goal is not only regulate the use of pesticides but to eventually eliminate them.

Since most accidents in handling pesticides occur during the pouring and mixing stage closed loading systems are required for all sprayers over 50 gallons. He advised superintendents to purchase chemicals in 5 gal. containers since he believes the industry will eventually standardize on fives for use with the loading systems. He said the agriculture commissioners are beginning to inspect spraying equipment to see if they meet the regulations. He distributed a sheet describing these regulations. He advised all who handle pesticides to become certified because down the road applications will not be allowed without someone on the premises having necessary credentials.

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WES AND RUBY NICHOLS announce the sale of A. L. CASTLE OF STOCKTON, INC. to JOE AND BARBARA SHEFFIELD. Joe says that he expects to continue the excellent service that Wes has been giving to the members of G.C.S.A.N.C. A. L. Castle is a seed, fertilizer and chemical wholesale outlet serving the industry throughout northern California and Nevada. Castle Seed as they are known by their many friends, service small accounts as well as large accounts and are proud of their quick service record.

Castle Seed is one of the first to introduce new varieties to the northern California area including Scenic Bluegrass Seed, Game Ryegrass, Emerald Bentgrass, Manhattan Ryegrass, Baron and Couger Bluegrass and many others. The newest of these is Scenic Bluegrass which will be available this year for the very first time. Scenic is a selection out of Merion with many superior qualities such as color, leaf blade width, disease resistance and also appears to do well at lower or higher elevations. Remember, you heard of Scenic first from A. L. Castle of Stockton, Inc.

Joe was formerly a member of the highly regarded Institutional Staff of Occidental Chemical Company working throughout the bay area and northern and central counties of California. Joe left Occidental Chemical Company on December 31, 1976 to become president of A. L. Castle of Stockton, Inc.

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KEITH BRAMAN & ASSOCIATES will be conducting specialized courses in LARGE TURF ROTORS and REMOTE CONTROL VALVES in Santa Clara. The Rotor Course LTR-1 covers cam, ball, arm impact and turbo-gear drives; their strong points and limitations; how to disassemble, repair and adjust them. The Remote Control Valve Course, RCV-1, covers hydraulic "normally open" and "normally closed" electric and "TH" valve. Both piston and diaphragm types are discussed. Students are furnished workbooks with cut-away drawings and complete trouble-shooting charts