Using an adjustable nylon sling to lift balled tree onto truck for transport to site of landscaping project cuts the task to a one-man operation, Ideal Crane company spokesmen say.

Lightweight Crane Gives Man Muscle for Heavy Lifts

A portable, hydraulic crane, which reportedly makes it possible for one man to lift up to 1500 pounds, is available from Ideal Crane of Tulsa, Okla. The crane can be installed on any truck and has a 360° turning radius. Another model has a hoisting capacity of 2500 pounds.

The 1500-pound capacity crane weighs 68 pounds, and is mounted in a pipe base which is welded or otherwise fastened to the truck body. Several of these pipe bases can be stationed at other locations: at loading platforms, at scales, on warehouse dollies, or on more than one truck. The crane can easily be placed where it is needed.

Lifting power is provided by a hydraulic ram. The company lists several lifting accessories, among them barrel chains and an adjustable nylon sling for hoisting balled trees, and other large shrubbery.

Complete data on this equipment, including prices, are obtainable by writing to Ideal Crane Div., Bert Parkhurst & Co., 15051 East Admiral Pl., Tulsa 18, Okla.

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Further information about Dursban is available to those who write Dr. Gray or Milton B. Irvine at Dow Bioproducts Center, Midland, Mich.

Hercules Brochure Explains Rhap-Trol Spray System

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The system can be used in both ground and aerial spraying programs. It is said to be particularly efficient in aerial spray programs since the controlled droplets are of a size that reduces drift caused by wind and air turbulence.

Applicators interested in obtaining a copy of "Keep the Herbicide on the Right-of-Way," (Form 400-722) may write to Hercules Powder Co., Agricultural Chemicals, Synthetics Dept., 910 Market St., Wilmington, Del. 19899.

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