**Meeting Dates**


Maryland Arborists, Nurserymen, and Florists Days, Center of Adult Education, University of Maryland, College Park, Md. A day for each in order listed, Feb. 13, 14 and 15.

Mississippi Aerial Applicators Association, Annual Meeting, Buena Vista Hotel, Biloxi, Miss., Feb. 14-16.


Midwest Regional Turf Conference, Purdue Center, Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind., Mar. 4-6.

Maryland Sod Conference, University of Maryland, College Park, Md., Mar. 6.


Midwest Regional Turf Conference, Midwest Regional Turf Foundation, Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind., Mar. 4-6.


Western Society of Weed Science, formerly Western Weed Control Conference, Owyhee Hotel, Boise, Idaho, Mar. 19-21.


Turfgrass Grower’s Seminar, Annual Meeting, Memorial Union, University of Rhode Island, Kingston, R.I., Mar. 21.

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**Chipman Chemical Company Merges With Rhodia, Inc.**

Chipman Chemical Company, New Brunswick, N. J., has become a division of Rhodia, Inc., N.Y.C. as a result of a merger of the two companies. Chipman will retain its present management team. Blanchard Smith, general manager of the Chipman Division, has been named a vice-president of Rhodia, Inc., according to R. J. Picard, president of Rhodia. Warren Moyer, former president of Chipman, though of retirement age, will continue as a Rhodia consultant.

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**National Arborists Stage Winter Meeting At Tampa**

Arborists are staging their annual winter meeting this month at the International Inn, Tampa, Fla. Meeting dates are Feb. 17-21, according to Clarke Davis, executive-secretary of the National Arborists Association, Inc.

Committee meetings begin early Saturday, Feb. 17, and the business session will be held Sunday at 9:00 a.m. Registration for members begins at 4:00 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18.

On the program this year will be discussions on unions, accidents, estate planning, electronic data processing, lightning protection systems, and a revision of constitution and by-laws of the organization. A complete recreation program is planned for wives attending the event.

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**New Chemical Products Prevent Fertilizer Caking**

Two new products are now on the market which will prevent fertilizer caking. Both new conditioners are produced by Nopco Chemical Division of Diamond Shamrock Corp.

Known as Sellogen NS 50 and Sellogen NS 96, tiny amounts of either are potent enough to prevent caking in extremely large quantities of fertilizer. As little as 1/2 pound of Sellogen NS, according to Nopco, will condition a ton of fertilizer. Sellogen NS 50 is a 50% active liquid for spraying and adding to fertilizers in solutions. Sellogen NS 96 is a 96% active powder for use in dry blending fertilizer operations.

Sellogen NS may be added directly to mixed fertilizer, ammonium nitrate, superphosphate or urea. Technical data and laboratory samples are available from company headquarters at 60 Park Place, Newark, N.J.

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**Merit award for square-cornered polyethylene bag engineered by Union Carbide Corporation and presented by The Packaging Institute and its Hardware-Housewares Packaging Committee went to The Downey Fertilizer Co.**

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**Union Carbide Wins Plaudits For Production Of New Fertilizer Bag**

Highest award for a shipping bag at the 7th annual Hardware & Housewares Packaging Exposition went to The Downey Fertilizer Co. for its polyethylene shipping bag, which was produced by Union Carbide Corporation, N.Y.C.

Downey Fertilizer uses the bag to market its “Velvet Green” lawn fertilizer. The bag and packaging design were selected over more than 300 entries.

The polyethylene bag is square cornered. Advantages include significant space savings over conventional pillow-type bags plus moisture resistance and burst strength.