Skyworker Names Western Distributor

Skyworker Aerial Lifts and Roust-about Mobile Cranes of Delaware, Ohio, has named a new distributor for the West Coast. Al Asher & Sons, Inc., Los Angeles, Calif., will handle sales for California, Arizona, and Nevada.

Skyworker is manufactured by Hughes-Keenan Division of Trans-airco, Inc.

Al Asher & Sons is located at 5301 Valley Boulevard, L.A.

Culture of Bonsai Is New Florida Publication

A new Florida Agricultural Extension Service circular promises to be popular among arborists. It contains data on culture and maintenance of bonsai trees.

According to the new publication —“The Culture and Maintenance of Bonsai”—the terms bonsai and “ming tree” depict (at least to Americans) small trees of great age.

Bonsai actually, the authors say, is not a secret process. It is an art form using principles of horticulture known since man first began to cultivate food.

Authors are: William C. Meredith and Jasper N. Joiner, former Hume Fellow and professor of Ornamental Horticulture respectively, at the Florida university.

Copies are available from the Agricultural Extension Service, University of Florida, Gainesville.

Highway Rest Areas Offer Landscape Ideas

A new brochure, “Safety Rest Area Development,” which illustrates some of the outstanding rest areas constructed or proposed on the Nation’s Federal-aid highway systems, has just been published by the Federal Highway Administration.

Prepared by the Landscape Branch, Scenic Enhancement Division of FHWA’s Office of Right-of-Way and Environment, the 28-page publication was designed as a stimulus to those responsible for the site selection, design, development, and maintenance of rest areas.

The brochure is liberally illustrated with photographs—many in color—submitted by various States to show new and imaginative rest area developments.

Subjects covered include site selection, design, site development, scenic qualities, historic aspects, information buildings, information panels, multiple use, buildings, rest room interior, shelters, picnic tables, plantings, utilities, fencing, consideration for the handicapped, and borrow pit lakes.

Copies of “Safety Rest Area Development” may be obtained from the Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street S.W., Washington, D. C. 20591.

Soil Seal Concentrate Accepted by Gov’t Buyers

Soil Seal Corporation, Riverside, Calif., reports that their soil stabilizing chemical, known as soil seal concentrate, has been listed by General Services Administration in the new item introductory schedule.

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