Antabuse, a product used to curb drinking by making you sick if you drink, is chemically related to the fungicide thiram, reports the Canadian Department of Agriculture. Pesticide experts state it's possible to take in enough thiram while working with it to make you sick to your stomach if you drink a cold beer after a hard day's work.

Hans Schabel, forestry professor at the University of Wisconsin, predicts a strong spread of Dutch elm disease throughout Wisconsin this fall. He says there is a particularly large population of elm bark beetles this year. Schabel suggests that Benlate might be used even this late in the season if transmittal of the disease has been by beetle and if there is less than five percent crown damage to the tree.

The National Fire Protection Association recently published in pamphlet form the “Tentative Code for Storage of Pesticides in Portable Containers.” The code was developed to minimize involvement of pesticides in fires and to reduce the hazards to fire fighters and the public when fires involve buildings in which pesticides are stored. Code provisions apply to both inside and outside storage of all forms of pesticides in individual containers with a maximum capacity of 660 gallons. Copies of the code are available from the National Fire Protection Association, Publications Sales Department, 470 Atlantic Ave., Boston, MA., 02210. Cost is two dollars.

National Football League (NFL) players are expressing their dissatisfaction with artificial turf. At a recent NFL Players Association conference on the subject, Ed Garvey, the players group’s executive director, said the NFL has taken “an ostrich-like approach” to the dispute over artificial surfaces. In addition, several players recited a litany of complaints about artificial turf. One player said he preferred the material be used for “doormats” and “outdoor patios.”

"Aggregating pheromone," a powerful attractant bouquet released by virgin female European elm bark beetles for breeding and feeding purposes, has been successfully isolated by scientists. In recent field tests the artificial chemical has lured millions of the insect pests to their deaths. Aside from the control potential, the attractive chemical will find other important uses. Of particular importance is the ability to delineate the distribution of the beetle, detect its presence in new locations and monitor its emergence through varying weather conditions.

The Sprinkler Irrigation Association has a new publication entitled “Recommended Installation Specifications for Sprinkler Irrigation Systems for Turf and Landscaping.” It is designed to serve as a national standard for the installation of turf and landscaping systems and to establish the lines of authority and responsibility between the irrigation contractor/installer and the owner. It forms a guide for complete installation for an irrigation system and is divided into sections covering general requirements, material specifications, installation procedures and owners responsibility. Copies can be obtained for one dollar each from the Sprinkler Irrigation Association, 13975 Connecticut Ave., Suite 310, Silver Spring, Maryland 20906.

The National Arborist Association is taking a pesticide survey. They want to inform the basic manufacturers of pesticides and the Environmental Protection Agency of their industry's needs and hopefully not be excluded from the re-registration of some pesticides in some states. Interested arborists should contact the National Arborist Association, Inc., 3537 Stratford Rd., Wantagh, Long Island, N.Y. 11793.

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