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In the North, you should follow the clues to identify pests and use the process of elimination. In the South, you have to understand the weather's effects on pests to be able to control them.  
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Strategically placed barrier plants look better than barbed wire. But there are tricks to choosing the right plant, and then making it work effectively. With a long list of good barrier plant selections.  
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Our national government seems to be devoting almost all its energy to positioning for the 1996 Presidential election. That leaves little time to attend to issues that might affect the green industry. Nonetheless, here’s what’s going on in Washington, D.C., with a complete chart on pertinent proposals, and how they would affect your lawn care operation.  
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