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Spot spray liquids with electric unit

Lesco, Inc. has introduced a new electric-powered sprayer kit designed to fit the Lesco Standard or Hi-Wheel Spreader. The Spreader Sprayer spot sprays liquid products while the spreader is used to apply granular products. According to Lesco, this allows spraying on isolated broadleaf weed while applying granular fertilizer to a large turf area.

A stainless steel, folding boom is included, with two Floodjet spray tips. The spray tips can be adjusted to spray product over the same area as the granular product pattern. A three-gallon polyethylene solution tank and a fully charged battery provide seven hours of continuous spraying. Battery charger included.

Circle No. 190 on Reader Inquiry Card

Steel grating for catch basins

Seidelhuber Metal Products has a new type of galvanized steel grating designed to provide permanent, heavy-duty covering for golf course catch basins and drain inlets.

The grating is designed to provide optimum drainage while catching leaves and other debris on the surface for easy clean up.

In addition, the company says the grate reduces maintenance costs and helps prevent accidents to players and course personnel caused by poorly enclosed basins and inlets.

Circle No. 192 on Reader Inquiry Card

Look for spray unit at Louisville Expo

A new, trail-type unit for spraying liquid pesticides, herbicides and fertilizers will soon be available from Easy Rake of Lebanon, Ind.

The Model 84 features a 13-gallon plastic spray tank. Maximum pressure is 50 psi, powered by a 12-volt electrical system.

An adjustable spray boom on the rear of the trailer can be locked in a raised or lowered position. Spray swath is 6½ feet. A hand spray wand is also available, with a 12-foot long hose to spray up to 25 feet.

The Model 84 sprayer will debut at the right wheel to clean up to fences or raised structures. Single lever height adjustment offers settings from ½” to 4”.

The bag holds 8.4 cubic feet and is made of a filtering material. All dust is contained within the bag.

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Meet your new source of extra-service income.

Old faded mulch becomes new profitable business with LESCO Nu-Mulch.™ It's the new colorant that quickly and easily restores original color to mulch.

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Drainage system made from recycled plastic

InnoPlast, a chemical-resistant, polyethylene-based recycled plastic material is being used to manufacture InnoDrain, a new trench drainage system from Innovative Plastics Products, Inc.

IPPI says the system is durable, lightweight and economical compared to other systems on the market.

InnoDrain is a neutral-sloped system with an interlocking design and modular ribbing in 4" increments for an exact fit. Dual oval outlets at each end accommodate 4" or 6" pipe. Standard overall depth is 9 3/4 inches and the inside top width is five inches. InnoDrain is available in standard 36" lengths with gratings for all applications from light pedestrian traffic to heavy duty vehicular traffic.

Tree guards work wonders

Tree-Gards are plastic sheets that wrap loosely around the bark of young trees to protect them from temperature fluctuation during the late winter and early spring months. The guards stand from 12 to 36 inches, and T & G Products, Inc. says they ward off unwanted animals, such as rabbits and mice that can feed on tree bark. They also help prevent southwest blight during the late winter/early spring freeze and thaw cycle.

Tree-Gard is white, so it reflects the sunlight and prevents the bark from thawing during the day.

Fertilizer injector made for smaller companies

The Pro-jector automatic proportioning fertilizer injector is now available in a five-gallon model. The new size was developed because of the popularity of the quart and one gallon units, and because of the demand by small agricultural and other commercial users.

TFS Systems says the Pro-jector was designed for those users who need to proportionately control the amount of fertilizer or other liquid additives being distributed through the irrigation system. The five-gallon model features a multi-tank design in which existing water pressure forces...
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air in the bottom tanks to compress, causing the fertilizer in the top tank to be injected into the system.

A big advantage, according to TFS, is that the Pro-jector causes less than two pounds of pressure loss to the irrigation system. 

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Plastic tree grate offers advantages

The Tree Grate is ideal for use with decks, patios and atriums. Lightweight and easy to clean, the Tree Grate will not corrode or disfigure. It's covered by a five-year guarantee, and cannot be harmed by plant disease, rot or mildew. An ultraviolet inhibitor preserves color and prevents deterioration.

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Test results released for liquid fertilizer

Hallier Enterprises of Vermillion, Kan. has made available test results from the University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture on Bioform FPH 8-8-8. Bioform is a fish protein hydrolysate blended with additional primary plant food nutrients and water soluble seaweed extracts. It is formulated for use directly on the seed or for dilution with water for use in transplanting, in row placement or foliar fertilization application.

Hallier Enterprises says Bioform FPH 8-8-8 may be used on houseplants, vegetable and flower gardens, horticultural and nursery plants and on commercial crops.

Trial samples are available.

Circle No. 199 on Reader Inquiry Card

Sales Managers and Sales Representatives

Tru Green Corporation, America's fastest growing grounds care service company is seeking to fill the positions of Commercial Sales Representatives and Commercial Sales Managers in several major market areas.

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A college degree is preferred with a minimum of 2 to 3 years of solid sales and marketing experience. Service or grounds care industry background is a plus and must be able to substantiate a consistent track record of success in sales goal achievements.

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Circle No. 200 on Reader Inquiry Card

Keep sprayers clean with scale inhibitor

Aqua-Flo, Inc. of Baltimore has introduced a non-chemical means of preventing scale build-up on spray fogger nozzles. It's designed for pipe sizes 1/4" to 4" and flow rates of .10 gpm to 400 gpm.

Additional non-chemical treatment is available to control iron stains and biological contamination.

Circle No. 200 on Reader Inquiry Card

Full-color catalog for indoors/outdoors

A 32-page catalog from Garon Products of Wall, N.J., offers a full line of indoor and outdoor maintenance products. De-icers, instant concrete
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and pavement repair products, anti-skid coatings, roof coatings, weed killers, caulks, sealants and cleaners. Also included are electronic products, energy-saving devices and safety and material handling equipment.

Circle No. 201 on Reader Inquiry Card

Control white grubs and surface feeders
Lebanon Total Turf Care's Insect Control with Sevin 7G is produced for use on lawns, parks, golf courses and other professionally maintained turf areas.
Lebanon says the product provides economical, safe and dependable control of common white grubs and a broad range of surface-feeding insects. It is also said to be effective against nuisance pests when applied near buildings and patios.
This is a granular control product. It prevents damage to turfgrasses as well as trees, shrubs and ornamentals. According to Lebanon, when used as directed, it provides effective control of turfgrass pests, including white grubs, armyworms, chinch bugs, cutworms, earwigs, grasshoppers and ticks.
A 20-pound bag provides coverage of up to 10,000 square feet.

Circle No. 202 on Reader Inquiry Card

Vacuum relief valve improves air flow
Rain Bird Sprinkler Manufacturing Corporation has developed the RB 2AV Air Vent/Vacuum Relief Valve for use in the green industry.
The Air Vent features a patented, aerodynamically designed, pear-shaped float. The float is designed so that it helps reduce drag, allow higher air flow rates and resist premature closing.
When the valve is set in the closed position, the elastomer gasket seals against a precision machined seat, thereby providing a tight seal at very low pressures.
The valve has a pop-up stem that is easily visible, showing the the float's position and valve operating mode.
Rain Bird reports that the Air Vent/Vacuum Relief Valve is pressure rated at 2-150 psi, with a 2-inch FNPT inlet.
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Handle the rough stuff with Brouwer forklifts
New Brouwer rough terrain forklifts feature 5000-8000 lbs. capacities and 12-21 ft. masts.
The lifts are described as compact, light and rugged with tight turning radii for exceptional maneuverability.
A shuttle/torque converter features “on-the-move” shifting.

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Flowable Morestan gets EPA go-ahead
The Environmental Protection Agency has accepted for registration Mobay Company's new flowable formulation of Morestan 4 ornamental miticide for use on flowers, shrubs and trees. It is free of harmful solvents.
Mobay sources add that the smaller particle size in the flowable product allows for more thorough distribution on the leaf surface, thus offering better coverage and better control.
Morestan 4 is available in quart sizes with “Caution” label. It is not available in California.

Circle No. 205 on Reader Inquiry Card

Heavy-duty steel grating is a permanent covering
Seidelhuber Metal Products, Inc., has made available a new type of galvanized steel grating designed to provide a permanent, heavy duty covering for golf course catch basins and drain inlets.
The grating is designed to provide optimum drainage while catching leaves and other debris on the surface for easy clean-up.
The grating is available in spans to 5 feet and it supports golf carts, mowers and ground maintenance vehicles.
Circle No. 206 on Reader Inquiry Card

Pulverize aerator plugs the easy way
The Olathe Model 56 Plug Pulverizer out-front attachment for the Toro Groundsmaster 300 series helps pulverize and topdress after aeration.
Features include PTO-power, 70 rubber fingers, 34 blades and a 5-ft. swath. Only the rubber fingers will come in contact with the ground, not destructive steel hammer blades common to other grinders, Olathe notes.
The plugs are lifted off the turf and battered against the frame before passing by stationary cutters and through a screen to pulverize in one pass.
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