

## Public stock offered for Utah project

Sixteen years after its conception, Quail Hollow Golf Club in Lindon, Utah, is near becoming a reality.

Several million shares of public stock have been offered to raise \$2.5 million for an 18-hole championship course and a nine-hole executive layout — both public. Construction will begin as soon as the money is released from escrow.

Yet raising the money was not the most difficult task, according to Utah PGA pro Jimmy Thompson, who is involved with 13 other principals in the project. Thirty-two property owners had to be convinced to donate or sell land to accumulate the 156 acres needed.

Thompson said Darrell Frampton first approached him with the idea for a course in 1974. Frampton finally acquired the land in the mid-1980s.

Thompson, who will assist with the design and become Quail Hollow's director of golf, said construction would likely begin first on the driving range and clubhouse, then move onto the executive course.

## Colorado State classes target pesticide use

Colorado State University's Division of Continuing Education is offering four correspondence study courses on pesticide use and pest control.

Developed by Dr. Bert L. Bohmont, a professor in the Department of Plant Pathology and Weed Science, the series includes courses on pesticide management, management and control of turfgrass pests, management and control of wood-destroying pests, and management of on-farm stored grain.

Pest management, which has been available for several years, is a general course that covers all aspects of pesticide use, application and safety.

Management and control of turfgrass pests targets the training needs of pesticide applicators working on golf courses and other green areas. It prepares students to be certified as pesticide users.

Richard E. Thomas, coordinator for distance learning, said enrollment "does not require being absent from the job site, it is self-paced, and does not require admission to the university."

Bohmont has been awarded the Agricultural Spokesman of the Year award by Farm Chemicals Magazine and Chevron Chemical Co., and the Professional Excellence award by the Cooperative Extension. In 1982 he was named a fellow of the Western Society of Weed Science.

He has published textbooks and articles on pest management.

More information is available from the university at 800-525-4950.

# Schering, Sandoz call off negotiations for merger

BY PETER BLAIS

The multi-million dollar agrochemicals business merger of chemical-manufacturing giants Schering AG, the West German parent firm of Nor-Am Chemical Co., and Switzerland's Sandoz AG has been called off.

Schering and Sandoz discussed the deal for months and it appeared imminent.

But Sandoz reportedly wanted to expand the merger to other areas, causing the deal to fall through.

"Sandoz suddenly said it wanted to make the agrichemicals venture dependent on co-operation in all other areas," Mechthild Weber, a Schering official, told the Financial Times.

A Schering supervisory board member said, "In the last stage, Sandoz tried to take us over — the whole shop."

Sandoz acknowledged the attempted takeover of Schering, but wouldn't comment, reported the Financial Times.

Nor-Am is a subsidiary of Schering Berlin, Inc., the U.S. holding company of Schering AG, Berlin, a multi-national company with interests in pharmaceuticals, electroplating, industrial chemicals and agrochemicals. Nor-Am products include Nitroform fertilizers, Turcam insecticides and Prograss herbicides.

Sandoz is a multi-national company whose products include Banvel herbicides and Mavrik insecticides.

## NEWS

### Ciba-Geigy gives to help after Hugo

Ciba-Geigy Corp. reportedly donated \$1,000 to the Myrtle Beach, S.C., area Hugo Economic Renewal Fund following Hurricane Hugo's destruction last fall.

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