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Trimmings -

Pinky's sheer energy. It's always encouraging to see contractors take time to better their knowledge of the business. One lawn sprayman who altered his busy schedule to attend the NEWCC this year was Louis "Pinky" Pingitore, whose Nu-green Lawn Spraying Co., in Reading, Pa., is now in its sixth successfull year. Pinky's primarily interested in turf care, although he also contracts for mosquito spraying. This genial and energetic applicator has an informative sheet he gives potential customers which outlines every step in lawn maintenance from seeding to weed control to verti-cutting or aerating. So informative is Pinky's instruction sheet, in fact, that more pessimistic spraymen might fear the customer would take the do-it-yourself route. Not so, says Pingatore. "Customer's can see by our how-to-do-it flyer that we know what we're doing, and it simply helps build trust in our company." Here's a sales-builder other CAs around the country may want to think about. If Pinky's success is any indication, it's a real go-getter for new business!

Red's ready. Speaking of "colorful" contractors, we also ran into Jim "Red" MacLachlan, a District Manager for Abalene Pest Control, at the Northeastern Weed Control Conference. Red tells us he just opened a new branch office in Utica, N.Y., and is all set to bring Uticans the latest in lawn and weed work, fields in which Abalene is very active. We're always glad to "see Red," and wish him all success in the new location.

Eller high water? Speaking of conferences, we just talked with Chipman Chemical's Paul Eller, who's president of the Aquatic Weed Society, which is meeting this month (Feb. 12-13) at Chicago's LaSalle Hotel. Paul says he's got a really solid program which should be a high water mark for the young organization. Weeds and Turf will have a staff member on hand for this confab, and in March will carry a detailed report on the meeting.

Kudos for Skogley. Harried reporters at meetings with concurrent sessions are always appreciative of press rooms and the help of the folks who staff them. Dr. Dick Skogley, from the University of Rhode Island, who took charge of the NEWCC press function this year, was a boon to all of us who hurried away from Manhattan with deadlines in mind. We're sure Dick's also aware of the fine job done for us by Margaret Herbst of the Turf Research Foundation, on hand again this year at the New York meeting to coordinate releases, and fill us in on last minute details. Hats off to you both!

Rake's away. Must take real devotion to forsake sunny Southern California for the cold of the Northeast, but U. S. Borax research chief D. W. Rake reversed the Greeley adage and came east for the NEWCC, where we talked wistfully about the kind of weather he enjoys in his Anaheim headquarters. We've got to convince the boss that a California trip is in order, pronto! It would take much less than a "twenty mule team" to drag us in that direction!