HSAF Conventioneers to Organize National Assn. of Weed, Turf, and Tree Spraymen

Major highlight of the Horticultural Spraymen's Association of Florida annual convention this year will be the establishment of a national association of weed, turf, tree, and ornamental spraymen, Larry Nipp, convention chairman, has announced in a special release to Weeds and Turf.

Ft. Lauderdale was chosen as the site for the historic meeting, set for November 5 and 6 at the Pier 66 Hotel there. In addition

Rutgers to Display Turf Aids At Field Day October 10

Exhibits and demonstrations of a wide range of turfgrass equipment are scheduled for Rutgers University's first annual Turfgrass Equipment and Products Field Day in the university stadium in New Brunswick, N. J., Oct. 10.

Other attractions include educational displays featuring turfgrass species, turf weeds and insects, ground covers, and turf diseases.

There will also be a lawn clinic which will help delegates diagnose specific turf ailments.

Rutgers officials say the Field Day will provide manufacturers and suppliers of turfgrass equipment and products with an opportunity to display and demonstrate their wares.

The program is designed to serve interests of turf professionals associated with contract maintenance companies, industrial grounds, landscaping services, parks, golf courses, and homeowners, Rutgers spokesmen revealed.

Sponsored by the school's Agricultural Extension Service, the Field Day is being coordinated by turf extension specialist Dr. Henry W. Indyk and Martin Decker, extension specialist in agricultural engineering. More details are available from either at the Extension Service, College of Agriculture, New Brunswick, N.J. to the formation of a nationwide trade group of contract applicators in the vegetation maintenance industry, delegates will be treated to a massive display of new equipment for horticultural spraying. A technical program featuring leading scientists from Florida turf institutions is also in the offing.

Nipp, who runs American Power Spraying in Ft. Lauderdale, said the formation of a national association should be "of great interest to our northern friends in the industry," and urged applicators from other states to attend the November meeting if at all possible.

A demonstration of tree, lawn, and shrub-spraying techniques will be featured along with the equipment display. There is also to be a question-and-answer session in which panelists will discuss problems sent in prior to the meeting, as well as questions from the floor.

Future legislation and industry regulations will be analyzed, and there is to be a discussion of pricing methods and policies for various types of spray programs.

Nipp said further details would be sent to W&T as soon as they are available. In the meantime, those who wish more information about the November convention are invited to write Nipp at 3675 S. W. First St., Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

Cranco Has Tree Injection Data

"Somewhere in tree injection methods there are optimum combinations of herbicide, carrier, dilution and volume, and other factors, where desired results can be predicted with a reasonable degree of accuracy," according to a mimeograph data sheet now available free from Cranco Co., 7 Clermont Ave., Trenton, N.J. 08618

Cranco's data sheet outlines how to achieve quality and cost control with the D/C "yardstick" method for measuring tree injection spacings. (D/Cstands for diameter inches per cut.)

A number of tables are also included in the mimeographed form, which is suitable to use with the Cranco Tree Injector. For copies, write the company at the above address.



How to remove an injured man from a tree was dramatically demonstrated by this crew from the Asplundh Tree Expert Co. during the Delaware Chapter, International Shade Tree Conference Meeting July 28 in Morris Arboretum, Philadelphia, Pa. Asplundhman Melvin Sears was in charge of the safety exhibition. According to George T. Lewis, Chapter secretary-treasurer, the annual affair was highly successful, including an attendance of 57, with several demonstrations and discussions pertaining to tree service.