



Error in Bucket Rescue

I wish to call your attention to an error in your article "Bucket Operator Rescue" in the August issue. Paragraph 13 should read: "Steps 8 and 9 will be practiced at least once each month. Steps 10 and 11 will be explained in conjunction with practice. Each new employee will become proficient in mounting the truck and lowering the bucket, steps 8 and 9, on the first day of employment."

EDITOR'S NOTE. Sorry about that one. We juggled the paragraphs but forgot to change the references. Because those paragraphs are so important, we're repeating them:

8. To gain quick access to the controls and minimize personal danger in lowering the victim, take a running start and jump onto the running board of the truck from at least six feet away, grasping the west coast mirror frame with your hands. Make certain you do not touch the truck and ground at the same time.

Where it is not practical to jump on a running board, jump on the chipper from at least six feet away and move over the truck body to the controls.

9. Once on the truck, move quickly to the controls, lower the bucket and victim away from the energized wires and to the ground (as an alternative, remain on the truck and manipulate an outrigger).

10. Remove the victim from the bucket and lay him on his back in a position to administer mouth-to-mouth resuscitation and closed chest heart massage. Clear the victim's mouth and tilt his head back to clear the air passages. If the victim does not breathe, seal his mouth with your lips, hold his nostrils closed and blow in breaths strong enough to cause his chest to rise, at the rate of 12 times per minute. If for any reason it is not possible to remove the victim from the bucket immediately, mouth-to-mouth resuscitation should not be delayed but should be administered while the victim is being removed.

11. Check the victim's pulse for a heartbeat by pressing two fingers lightly along the windpipe. If the victim has no pulse, it will be necessary to administer heart massage in conjunction with mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. To administer closed chest heart-massage, locate and place the heel of one hand on the lower half of the breastbone. With the other hand on top, apply sufficient pressure to depress the lower half of the breastbone 2½" at the rate of 60 times per minute or five times between breath blown into the victim's lungs.

Additionally, the pictures with the article show an operator in an open-sided bucket. Farrens Tree Surgeons does not use, nor do we advocate, the use of the open-sided buckets in tree work.—N. I. JOHNSON, training and development director, Farrens Tree Surgeons, Jacksonville, Fla.

Liked August Editorial

I compliment you on your fine editorial contained in the August

issue. I concur wholeheartedly with your thoughts and compliment you on the manner in which you put them forth.—DOYLE JACKLIN, Jacklin Seed Co., Inc., Dishman, Wash.

More Like Markstein's

Let us have more articles like David Markstein's on inflation in the July issue. This is one of the most effective and informative articles on this subject I have read.—L. B. HAWKINS, The Best Fertilizers Co., Lathrop, Calif.

Thanks for August Issue

We would like to express our appreciation of the August issue, particularly the article referring to the experiences of the Asplundh Tree Expert Company and the maintenance article by Ray Gustin, Jr. We sincerely appreciate receiving your monthly magazine and look forward each month to its arrival.—JAS. T. TURNER, Turner Tree Service, Atlanta, Ga.

Right Helicopter; Wrong Name

Just a word to express our appreciation of your featuring one of our fine customers, Asplundh Aviation, Inc. Your article was informative and well written.

Unfortunately, you have incorrectly labeled a picture of our turbine-powered JetRanger with the name of a competitor's helicopter.—B. C. CRYER, supervisor of commercial marketing, Bell Helicopter Co., Fort Worth, Tex.

