

## Checklist of Cultivated Hollies Now Available

The first part of an International Checklist of Cultivated *Ilex* (holly) is now available for distribution.

It is contribution No. 3 of the U.S. National Arboretum. Researchers have worked since 1964 in assembling and compiling this authoritative checklist. It describes more than 1,000 named cultivars of this widely grown native American holly.

For a copy of the checklist, write: International Checklist Committee for Cultivated *Ilex* U. S. National Arboretum, Washington, D. C. 20002.

## Association VP Backs Green Industry Movement

Sustaining clean air machines through lawns, trees and gardens is making a worthy contribution to life, according to the executive vice president of the Florida Nurserymen and Growers Association.

In a release by the association, James F. Griffin, Jr. says it is reported that the percentage of carbon dioxide in our atmosphere is steadily increasing. This is due to

the burning of fossil fuels to generate electric power, run our automobiles and factories, heat and cool our homes.

At the same time, more and more earth is being covered by highways, parking lots and buildings of all kinds. This is unfortunate, he says, since only green growth can metabolize excess carbon dioxide into growing plants, through the process of photosynthesis.

He says that one approach to the dilemma has been suggested by John Fischer in a recent issue of *Harpers* magazine. He agrees with Fischer in thinking that the next "Heroes of the Republic" may be those who plant trees instead of subtracting from our greenery with bulldozer and saw. Griffin further adds that Fischer might have included as heroes those who plant and nurture grass, shrubbery and gardens.

The association vice president says other positive action has been suggested. This would include mandatory provision for minimum land-use ratios of greenery in any new land development for homes, institutions, office buildings, industrial sites and shopping centers.

Griffin says that the Florida Nur-

serymen and Growers Association has provided model landscape and tree ordinances to many major Florida cities.

In addition, he adds, wherever possible green belts should be installed along highways and roadsides. The green leaves of trees and other plants trap pollutants which are then washed into the soil where they disintegrate into basic soil elements. Such green belts, when properly planted, provide tremendously effective sound baffles and barriers thereby reducing the effects of sound pollution by many decibels.

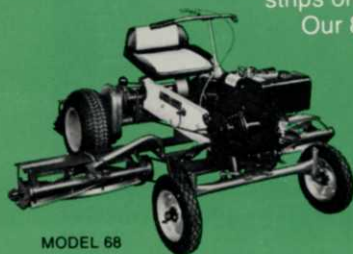
## Ohio Chapter, I. S. T. C. Elects Officers

New officers of the Ohio Chapter, International Shade Tree Conference are: Kenneth H. Funk, Funk Bros. Tree Service, Inc., Ashland, president; Gary P. Mitten, Ohio Power Co., Canton, president-elect; William H. Collins, Cole Nursery Co., Circleville, vice-president; Dr. L. C. Chadwick, Columbus, secretary-treasurer; and Dr. Philip Kozel, department of horticulture, Ohio State University, editor.

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