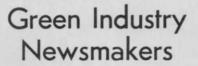


Gabe Eros (1) president and general manager of Oseco Ltd. receives the World Championship award for the variety Highlight Chewings Fescue at the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto, Can. At right is Paul King, chairman of the Canadian Seed Trade Assn. public relations committee. The seed, judged best in the pedigree forage seed class, was grown for Oseco by Walter Hafner of Sublimity, Ore., by arrangement with International Seeds of Halsey, Ore.



PEOPLE PLACES EVENTS



This is Midwest, a new variety of crabapple just released by the USDA Soil Conservation Service Plant Materials Center, Mismarck, N. D. It is disease resistant, winter hardy — even in Nodak country — propagates well from seed, grows fairly rapidly and makes good growth shape. It bears small apples, about ½ inch in diameter. The fruit remains on the tree and forms "raisins" that stay on until spring or until harvested by wildlife.



New to New England is a growing sod industry. It has grown from a few dozen acres in 1963 to several thousand in 1973. These are sod producers who are members of the New England Sod Producers Assoc. They toured turfgrass research plots at the U of R. I. in September. Professor Dick Skogley has been working closely with this group.



An Honorary Certificate of Merit from the University of Maryland has been awarded to L Robert Shields, golf superintendent, Woodmont Country Club, Rockville, Md. He has helped establish college-level scholarships in turfgrass and golf course management. In fact, Glenn S. Shields (r) is one of three U. of Md. 4-year students to receive the scholarship for 1973-74. Mrs. Shields (1) joined son Glenn and Bob for the presentation.



The executive committee of the Horticultural Research Institute has recommended that HRI serve as a pipeline of information from all segments doing research related to the industry. Committee members shown here are: (1-4) Donald Murray, Stoffel Seals Corp., N. Y.; R. E. "Ed" Brown, Goochland Nurseries, Inc., Fla.; Don McConnell, McConnell Nursery Co., Ltd., Canada; Robert Siebenthaler, The Siebenthaler Co., Ohio; Evert Asjes, III, Rosehill Gardens, Inc., Mo., HRI pres.; Patrick, HRI administrator; Albert "Bud" Cartwright, Jr., Cartwright Nursery Co., Tenn.