

**Assoc. Landscape Contractors  
Plan Jan. 22-26 Meeting**

Nearly 500 landscape contractors, their wives, guests and suppliers will gather in Miami, Florida, January 22-26, 1973, for the 11th Annual Meeting of the Associated Landscape Contractors of America (ALCA) at which President Norman Gray of Mansfield, Mass., will preside.

"Solving the Management Maze" is the theme of the five-day conclave which will be held at the Doral Country Club and Hotel. Registration will begin January 22.

ALCA's Trade Exhibit will be held January 23, 1972 (in conjunction with the convention) also at the Doral. The show promises to be one of the best ever staged by the Association. It will offer landscape contractors the opportunity to view goods and services to assist them in running profitable landscape contracting operations.

**Brazilian Honey Bee  
Pirates American Bee Life**

An aggressive and ferocious strain of honey bee that has spread rapidly after becoming established in Brazil



Elected to head the Sprinkler Irrigation Association for the coming year are: (l-r) A. W. (Tony) LaFetra, Rain-Bird Manufacturing Co., Glendora, Calif., treas.; Milton L. Rawson, E. C. Olsen Co., Ogden, Utah, president; John H. Stevens, Pierce Corporation, Eugene, Ore., vice-president. The association recently completed its 23rd annual convention in Monterey, Calif. This year's meeting will be in Mexico City, Mexico. The organization has 325 members nationwide.

in 1957 could migrate to North America and become a serious public nuisance and a major problem to the beekeeping industry, according to findings in a study sponsored by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

The most noteworthy characteristic of the Brazilian bee is its aggressiveness. Not only does it readily attack intruders, but it is aggressive

in other ways. For example, it occasionally takes over the hives of other bees; it forages so aggressively that strains formerly kept by commercial beekeepers can't compete and have disappeared in areas where the aggressive strain has appeared. The aggressive strain also leaves managed hives readily to migrate long distances.

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