

## Facilities Expansion Improves H. D. Hudson Service

The H. D. Hudson Manufacturing Company has announced the relocation and expansion of its west coast distribution facilities. The new facilities provide Hudson customers with order-processing, and shipping service within 24 hours.

V. K. Rawitzer, general sales manager of Hudson, said the company has completed agreements with Cristina Brothers, Inc., 1045 North Tenth Street, in San Jose, California, and Hull and Taylor, 15305 Valley View Avenue, Santa Fe Springs, California to serve Southern California and Arizona.

Rawitzer stated that the new distribution centers are equipped with data processing equipment which will link them with the Hudson general office so that orders can be processed within minutes after they are received. He added that the centers will offer "will call" service when needed and will provide a modern inventory control system to further improve customer service.

The expanded distribution on the West Coast follows the successful re-location of Hudson's Southeastern distribution center in Atlanta,

Georgia last year. Hudson also maintains service branches in Minneapolis, Overland Park, Kansas and Chicago.

## 18 Hole Course Still Going Strong

The regulation 18-hole golf course is still very much alive.

Several years ago, when the first executive length par-60 courses were built, some people in the golfing field thought that this would be the course of the future.

They pointed out that the executive course required less land, is built on a smaller budget, and can be played more quickly.

"Golf tradition is stronger than most people realize," points out Ellis Maples, president of the American Society of Golf Course Architects.

"Once you start tampering with the basic game, you end up like baseball with asterisks in the record book," Maples added. "People want to pit their skills against a common denominator."

He said that proposals to enlarge the cup, shorten the course, or "pep up" the ball usually receive little encouragement from the average golfer as well as the purist.

## Florida Nurserymen Elect Gladwin President

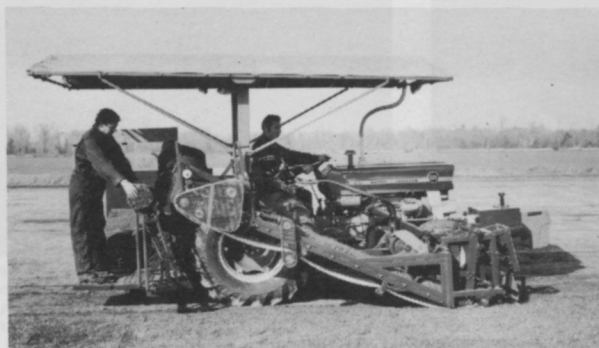
Richard A. Gladwin, Gladwin Nurseries, Inc., Jupiter, Florida was elected president of the Florida Nurserymen & Growers Association during their recent 21st annual convention, held at The Breakers hotel, Palm Beach. As vice-president and membership chairman for 1972-73, he saw FNGA grow to the record number of 1905 members. FNGA is the nation's largest state nurserymen's association and is surpassed in membership only by the American Association of Nurserymen.

Other officers elected were 1st vice-president / president elect — John Blaser, Blaser's Nursery, Sarasota, Fla.; 2nd vice-president — George Russell, Russell's Inc., Miami; 3rd vice-president — James Blakely, Kelsey City Nursery & Landscape Co., Lake Park.

Directors-at-large are Albert Kraft, Jr., Kraft Nursery and Gardens, Ft. Lauderdale and Pompano Beach; Kenny St. Germaine, Everglades Nursery and Landscape Inc., South Miami; William Adams, Adams Citrus Nursery, Haines City and Lin Tabor, Glen St. Mary's Nurseries, Glen St. Mary, Fla.

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