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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

WAY TO GO

You did a terrific job with the Texas Industrial Weed Control Conference. In fact, your report is so detailed that we might just lift it and print it as the proceedings for the Conference.

We were honored by your coming to our Conference. We are deeply indebted to you for this fine national coverage you have given us. **Wayne G. McCully, resident director, Research and Extension Center At Chillicothe-Vernon, Tex.**

LONG REMEMBERED

Thank you for your immediate and complimentary obituary regarding the death of my husband, Felix V. Juska. I do not believe I have ever seen such a clear photograph as in your publication.

Felix would have been so pleased to know that such a well respected publication as yours carried a story about him in the November, 1973 issue when he had died only on October 25, 1973. Such a fact makes me feel most appreciative, humble and proud!

WEEDS TREES and TURF was one publication Felix was most anxious to receive following his retirement so that he could continue to keep up to date with the latest developments. Sir, that is a compliment to your company!

When Felix started work for his Doctorate, he was asked why he selected turfgrass as his study — his reply was typically frank and simple that he didn't know anything about it and thought it might be interesting. Indeed, it was to become a most interesting field of study and for eighteen very busy, happy years, turfgrass was our "bread-and-butter" and led us to so many happy, helpful, cooperative friends.

"Turfgrass Authority" — the label you gave him is indeed one of the highest honors you could have bestowed on my husband. On Felix's behalf, I would like to express our sincere appreciation for meaningful words of respect. However, let us acknowledge that, no one person can become an "authority" without the help of fellow workers — so to you, and to the many others who have cooperated in so many ways to help Felix in his achievements — and, yes, for the many laughs and good times shared, I am most grateful.

Thank you for the respect and honor you have shown Felix, and for being such a good friend.

Mrs. Felix V. Juska, 10309 Parkman Road, Silver Spring, Maryland.

**Three Point Program Helps
Increase Battery Life**

A three point program for longer battery life consisting of knowledgeable purchasing, proper mounting and systematic service checks was outlined by Robert Buesing, product manager, Microporous Products Division, Amerace Corp. in a recent interview.

A basic knowledge of the construction and component parts of a battery can be extremely helpful in making an intelligent purchase, Mr. Buesing stated. For example, rubber separators are widely used in heavy duty batteries because they are strong, durable and lightweight.

Even the best battery will lose power and fail before it should if it is subjected to excess vibration, he added. The second point of the program is to make sure the battery is properly mounted in a place where it will get a minimum of vibration.

Correctly used holddown devices are vital for less vibration and

longer performance. Heavy duty battery retainers should be used.

And another important factor to consider in the mounting of a battery is its accessibility, he noted.

The water level of the battery should be regularly checked. The battery case and terminals should be kept clean and free from corrosion. Non-metallic grease can be used to retard corrosion on the battery terminal posts and the top of the battery should be kept clean.

Battery cables should be checked to see that they are not scuffed or worn through. Cables should not be loose and therefore subject to excessive movement or too taut and subject to excessive stress.

"By following this three point program of educated buying; mounting the battery so that it will be subjected to a minimum of vibration and following a regular schedule of routine service checks, batteries will last longer and give better service. This is a big return for a small investment of time," observed Mr. Buesing.