

## U. S. Forest Service Permits Issued

Since the nation is involved in a serious energy crisis, the Federal government has opened U.S. Forest Service lands to make firewood available for fuel. This decision is in effect now on a national basis, however specific woodcutting instructions vary from forest to forest.

Says a spokesman for the U. S. Forest Service, "Firewood cutting permits are being issued to individuals for home fuel wood use only. These free use permits are available at each ranger district office, and we recommend that they be contacted for information pertaining to your specific area."

## FMC Builds Plant in Aiken, S.C.

FMC Corporation's Outdoor Power Equipment Division announced plans to build an 80,000 sq. ft. manufacturing plant in Aiken, SC, to manufacture Bolens mulching lawn mowers, snow throwers and other walk-behind lawn and garden products. Negotiations are underway with Aiken city officials to purchase a site for the plant.

## Training Courses From OSHA

Two job safety and health training packages — one designed to help employers evaluate their own operations and the other aimed at reducing the number of injuries resulting from cave-ins—are now available, OSHA announced.

OSHA noted that even though many of its training activities are primarily for its own compliance officers, it is preparing much material for the private sector.

One package, "A Guide to Voluntary Compliance," consists of the

same materials used in the 40-hour course taught at OSHA's Training Institute near Chicago. Containing a student manual, instructor's guide, and a set of 174 color slides, it provides guidelines for developing systematic self-inspection procedures to help employers correct workplace deficiencies. It is priced at \$55 per set.

The other package, entitled "Safety and Health in Excavation and Trenching Operations," is a special emphasis instructional program aimed at reducing the number of injuries and fatalities from cave-ins at construction sites.

It stresses the importance of soil support, especially shoring, in offsetting the hazards in excavation and trenching operations. Available for \$21, the set includes an instructional manual, a resource supplement and set of 139 color slides.

Both courses, produced in narrative script style with slides cued in, may be purchased from the National Audiovisual Center, General Services Administration, Washington, D. C. 20409.

## Golf Foundation Meets— Energy Crisis on Agenda

The nation's golf courses must prepare for one of their busiest years in 1974 to meet the demands of activity spurred by the energy crisis, says National Golf Foundation Executive Director Don A. Rossi in summing up the Foundation's four day winter staff meeting in Chicago earlier this month.

The current restriction on American's great mobility in seeking their relaxation and recreation will crowd the nation's more than 11,000 golf courses as players remain closer to home to conserve fuel, he said.

This was the theme expressed at a four day meeting of the foundation

by guest speakers too. They represented the major areas of golf. Their message: to alert the golf world to expected record player traffic and its demands for products and services related to golf. The speakers included Executive Director Mark Cox of the Professional Golfers Association of America, Executive Director Ken Emerson of the National Club Association, and Dr. James Watson, vice-president for customer relations of The Toro Company.

Rossi declared that the National Golf Foundation, as the national clearinghouse of golf information, is better able than ever before to meet the challenge of the year ahead with the largest and best equipped staff of Golf Facility Development Consultants in its history.

The semi-annual meeting, was programmed to review consultant activities and case histories of the half-year just past in order to achieve greater efficiency and effectiveness in aiding golf facility development. It also served as a forum for the presentation of papers by individual consultants on areas of special interest to the golf industry.

## Chain Saws Hot Property, Says Echo Marketing Boss

The nation's energy shortage has turned chain saws into hot property, according to Donald A. Bartelt, general sales manager of the Echo Chain Saw Division of the Kioritz Corp. of America.

"The effects of the energy shortage and the resultant fuel-saving measures have placed tremendous demands on the chain saw industry," Bartelt says. "The demand for saws and related wood-harvesting equipment surged beyond the industry's capacity to produce and put most saw makers in a backorder situation in the fourth quarter of the year."



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