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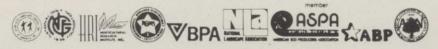
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Planning for Recovery

Timing is critical in planning for economic recovery. Jump too soon and a good idea may flop. Wait too long and others will have the momentum and the materials on hand when business comes.

Economists now see high interest rates through 1981 and falling in spring or early summer '82.

So, we are looking at late spring or early summer before housing starts begin increasing again. Companies, encouraged by faster depreciation, should act quickly to take advantage of lower interest rates for commercial construction. From a landscaper's point of view, new residential landscape construction will not take place for six or more months after residential recovery and 12 months or more following commercial construction recovery. From now until the autumn of 1982 new business will be hard to find.

One interim solution may be the home improvement market. Focus marketing where recovery time is much shorter. It is a good idea to learn alternative financing for your type of jobs. You should be able to intelligently discuss the advantages or disadvantages of second mortgages, home improvement loans, and management of taxes with a potential customer. Ask your accountant to keep you informed on all creative methods of paying for landscaping.

Another thought, it's one thing to tell a homeowner that landscaping increases the value of his home. It's another thing to prove it with comparable listings from a real estate firm in the area. Equal to value of real estate is how quickly it sells. Real estate brokers have had it fairly rough in many areas. You may be able to help them move more houses with alteration of landscaping.

In late spring, start meeting with building contractors in your area to judge contract potential for the fall. Let them know you want to bid on their projects. Early news of a potential job can help prepare you to bid it carefully.

Maintenance

Recent news of possible shortages of preemergence herbicides for 1982 should not be ignored. Some adjustment will be necessary for maintenance operations and golf courses. Contact your local distributor immediately for his stock situation.

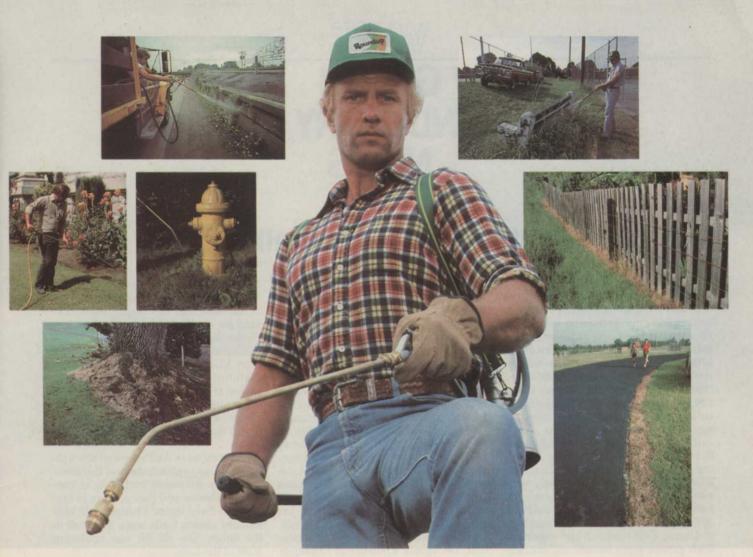
Take a good look at your equipment and seek advise on improving depreciation deductions. If it becomes apparent that a unit will not make it another year without major overhauling, perhaps you can take advantage of 1982 tax law changes and still reserve the equipment this year. Many manufacturers have spring delivery programs.

Major investments such as irrigation may fit nicely into depreciation planning. Tractor manufacturers are anxious to sell due to decreased agricultural machinery sales.

The point is you have to gauge many factors to set your recovery timing. If you just wait for things to happen, chances are you will take longer than others to bounce back. Haven't we all waited long enough? **WTT**



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GREEN INDUSTRY NEWS

ISA Show gets away from it all

Take away the choice of restaurants, limited parking, taxicabs, crowded hotels, and the general pressure of a city convention and you have a relaxed, clear-headed learning experience. The International Society of Arboriculture 57th Annual Conference was held in remote Boyne Falls, Michigan, more than 50 miles from the nearest major city, Traverse City. Attendance did not suffer and the arborists and scientists appreciated the change of pace.

It was more like camp than a convention. The deans of horticulture, including L.C. Chadwick, Gordon King, and Clancy Lewis mixed informally with everyone attending. Their students, now making up the technical backbone of the industry, were there in numbers to discuss their research and expertise. Both groups were completely accessible for questions in a no-pressure atmosphere.

Conference Chairman Ted Haskell knew of Boyne Mountain's ski lodge atmosphere. The facility is often used for Michigan association events. It was also conducive to outdoor displays of equipment. Sprayers, chippers, transplanters, stump grinders and aerial lifts had the room to move and the freedom to be noisy while potential buyers watched.

All speakers approached the subject of improved trees and maintenance considerations. Northern city arborists are strongly concerned about winter hardiness, disease resistance, and maintenance levels for street trees. Tree cultivars and seed source were closely examined by the speakers and their audiences. Speakers included: Dr. William Black of Chemscape Div. of ChemLawn, Dr. Douglas Chapman of Dow Gardens, Dr. Victor Dropkin of the University of Missouri, Dr. Henry Gerhold of Pennsylvania State University, Dr. Donald Ham of Clemson University, Dr. David Hamilton of Purdue University, Dr. E.B. Himelick of the Illinois Natural Historical Survey, Dr. Warren Johnson of Cornell University, Dr. David Karnosky of Carey Arboretum, Dr. James Kielbaso of Michigan State University, Dr. Robert Partyka of Chemscape Div. of ChemLawn, Dr. Harold Pellett of the University of Minnesota, Dr. Wilbert Ronald of the Manitoba Research Station in Morden. Dr. Frank Santamour of the U.S. National Arboretum, Dr. Davis Sydnor of Ohio State University, Dr. Alden Townsend of the USDA Tree Research Station in Ohio, Dr. Fred Valentine of the State University of New York-Farmingdale, Dr. George Ware of



Boyne Mountain Lodge and its surroundings provided the casual atmosphere for the ISA Show. Outdoor equipment demonstrations and a picnic gave the exhibitors unlimited space and attention for their products.

Morton Arboretum, and Dr. Gayle Worf of the University of Wisconsin.

Business and marketing were covered for commercial arborists by Larry Holkenborg of Sandusky, Ohio; Bruce Wilhelm of Denver, Colorado; and Gary Maier of Des Moines, Iowa. Most major utility companies were represented at the utility arborist session and the municipal arborists heard of experiences in the cities of Milwaukee; Colorado Springs; Freehold, NJ; and Atlanta.

Sessions were well attended since attention was concentrated on the show by design. All meals, including an outdoor barbecue and dance, were in one place at fixed times. Fishing, golf, tennis and nature trails were adjacent to the lodge. The ski lift was operating most of the time.

Associations and exhibitors can debate at length about location of shows. But there is little doubt that a relaxed environment with few distractions gains the most attention from attendants.

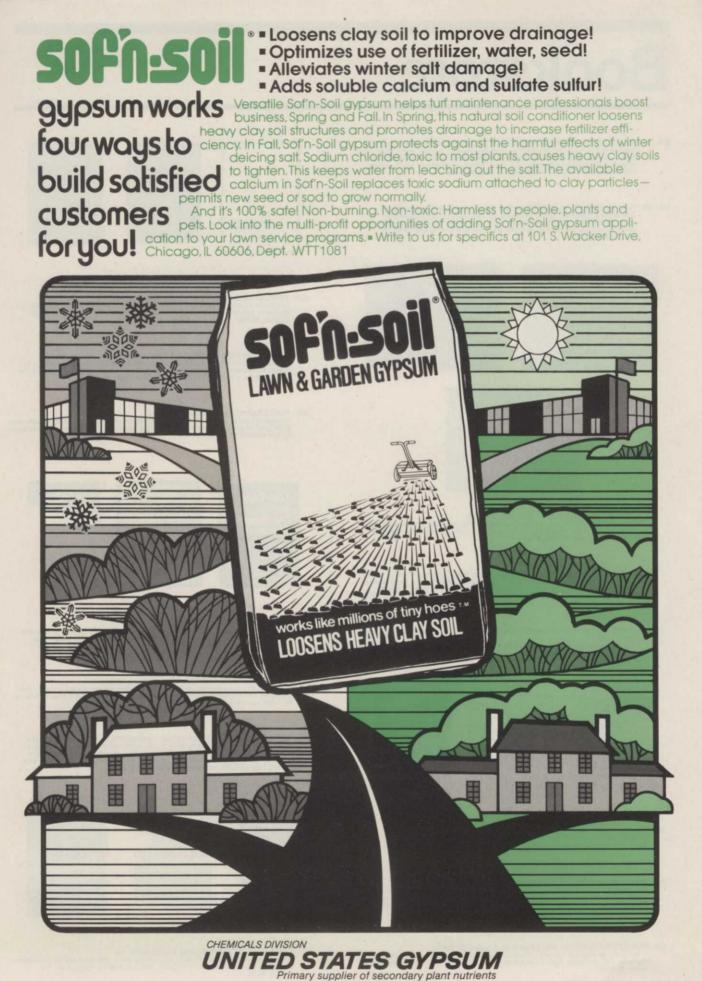
SOD

New housing slowdown causes sod sales slump

"When the housing industry is good, sod is too," said Walter Pemrick, Warren's Turf Nursery, Crystal Lake, IL, "and right now housing isn't too good."

The drop in new housing units (due mainly to high interest rates) has led to a decline in sod sales, according to industry sources. "The general feeling among sod producers is that sales are somewhat down," said Bob Garey, American Sod Producers Association. "A lot of the growers are concerned because they are uncertain about the future of the economy." Garey added that besides the housing slowdown, water shortages in some areas has hurt sod sales.

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NGF arranges Forum on Golf

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The meeting will be the first step in a proposed restructing of NGF, to make it a more aggressive force in stimulating new interest and participation in the game of golf. Deane Beman of the PGA Tour told the NGF Board of Directors at their annual meeting that the average age of an American golfer has increased to 42.5 years old, golf is perceived as slow and costly, and "television ratings have decreased considerably in the last five years." Beman, Joe Black (also of the PGA), LPGA's Ray Volpe and NGF's James Long are scheduled to speak at the meeting.

In other NGF news, the foundation has scheduled its 1981 NGF Golf Course Management Workshop for November 29-December 2 at the Pheasant Run Convention Resort Hotel just outside of Chicago. The theme of the seventh annual workshop is "Survival in the 80's." Scheduled speakers include: Dick Nugent, American Society of Golf Course Architects; Marshall Dann, Western Golfers Association; Mike Bavier, Golf Course Superintendents Association of America; and John Husar, Chicago Tribune golf columnist.

NGF has named Annette Thompson, formerly women's golf coach at Penn State University, director of education services. Harry Eckhoff has moved to director of golf facility, while Mark Boorman has become NGF's director of communications.

Builders enter second decade

The Golf Course Builders of America has embarked on its second decade. The association, headquartered at 725 15th Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20005, was formed in 1970 as a national organization for companies that construct, renovate and rebuild golf courses.

Among its many membership services, GCBA publishes a yearbookdirectory that also lists other golf trade groups and includes articles on construction by leading golf course architects. The association exhibits at the Golf Course Superintendents Association convention where its also holds its annual seminar on golf course construction and problems.

In 1981 Frank Underwood, Bowie, TX, was elected for an unprecedented third term as president of GCBA.

In other GCBA news, a sister organization, the British Association of Golf Course Constructors, has been formed. Located at 6 Fitzwalter Place, Chelmsford, Essex, England, it is comprised of contractors and supplier groups with the initial membership reaching 15.

Long Island superintendents choose Reilly

Ann Reilly, executive secretary of the New York State Turfgrass Association has been selected to be executive director of the Long Island Golf Course Superintendents Association. The decision was announced by LIGCSA President Edward Fufaro.

Reilly is also association manager for Mailorder Association of Nurserymen and florist groups in the Northeast. She is familiar with both turf and nursery specialists in the region and nationally.

Employee meal costs not taxable

A recent Supreme Court decision has ruled that FICA/FUCA taxes can not be taken on the cost of meals for employees. Many superintendents eat meals at their clubs so they can be reached in case of problems. This cost is not taxable according to the ruling. Lodging costs are also not taxable in certain circumstances. Refund claims can be filed for the years 1978 to the present. Contact the National Club Association for more information 1625 Eye St., NW, Washington, DC 20006 (202) 466-8424.

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year," said Daryl Spikes, Southern Turf Nurseries, Tifton, GA. "One reason is that a lot of housing construction had already started (before the current interest rate crunch). I think housing sales will be even slower in 1982." Like some other sod producers, Southern Turf Nurseries is planning to work around the housing shortage. "We are going to intensify our marketing strategy," said Spikes. "We're going to try and get a bigger percentage of new housing business and work more closely with the contractors and landscapers." Spikes noted that even in tough times golf courses provide a steady flow of business

According to Garey, the current sod sales slowdown might have some beneficial side effects. "Sod producers are going to have to increase their management efficiency if they are going to effectively compete," said Garey. "When the economy rebounds and sales pick up, those companies should be in better shape." Garey also noted that growers should be alert to pick up hints from companies that do well during the slowdown. "With sales holding up in the northeast, one of the reasons could be their aggressive sales techniques," he speculated. "They do a good job of promoting sod."

According to sod growers, the midwest has been hit by the housing slowdown and some areas of the south also report sluggish sales. The northeast and the west seem to be holding their own but many growers have resorted to price cutting for the first time. Sod producers in the Sunbelt and other growing metropolitan areas (e.g. Denver) reported strong sales.

With interest rates remaining high, some sod growers have turned to current home owners as a source of business, according to Garey. "When people can't afford to go into debt to buy a new home they will often spend the money to improve their current one," he said.

CHEMICAL

Houston plant fire wipes out '82 Dacthal

A fire in Diamond Shamrock's plant in Houston, Texas, in late July wiped out the 1982 supply of Dacthal preemergence herbicide for turf. Preemergence herbicides for turf have been in short supply for nearly three years. Losing a major product like Dacthal will send turf managers to suppliers now for 1982 *Continues on page 14*

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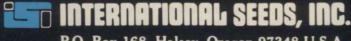
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Interior landscape show set for St. Paul

The third annual meeting of the Interior Plantscape Association, October 28-30, will feature more than 30 speakers on 40 topics as well as the first certification examination for interior landscaping given by the National Council for Interior Horticultural Certification.

Basics will be covered as well as trends, including hydroculture, tissue culture, and gravel culture. Business aspects include starting the business, building it, adding computers, and scheduling routes. Speakers include Dr. Richard Lindquist on Insect Control, John Peterson, Dr. Charles Powell, Dr. Paul Reed, Dr. George Manaker, and Dr. Arnold Gussin. Business discussions will be led by leading interior landscapers.

Interested persons should contact IPA, 11800 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, VA 22091 (703) 476-8550.

NLA calls for landscape award entries

Entry forms for the 12th annual National Landscape Association residential landscape award program are now available from Ray Brush, NLA, 230 Southern Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20005. Deadline is November 2, 1981.

Awards will be given for the categories including single family residence, entrance, active use area, and passive use area. Entries will be judged on the basis of practicality of design, selection of plants and materials, execution of installation, and maintenance of the project. Awards will be presented during the management clinic, February 8, 1982, in Louisville, KY.

2nd lawn care show has workshop format

The second annual convention and trade show of the Professional Lawn Care Association of America will feature a workshop format November 18-20, 1981, at Louisville, Kentucky's Commonwealth Convention Center.

Last year the association surprised a number of critics with a healthy turnout of both delegates and exhibitors. This year, after planning for more exhibit space, the PLCAA exceeded its expectations. More than 1,000 lawn care businessmen are expected to attend the event. More than 700 attended in the show's first year.

Keynoting this year's convention is Gulf Oil Vice President Ralph Lewis who will speak on "Energy-Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow". Lawn care is highly dependent upon gasoline and fertilizer prices.

Workshop sessions, where panels discuss relevant topics and the audience is invited to participate, will feature personnel management, profit and loss analysis, office management, handling and disposal of pesticides, advertising, management stress, and the 2,4-D situation. Workshops will extend into the evenings on topics such as liquid and dry programs, insects and diseases, ornamental programs, employee fringes, and equipment.

Interested persons should contact PLCAA, 435 North Michigan Ave., Suite 1717, Chicago, IL 60611 (312) 644-0828. Registration is \$90 for nonmembers and single rooms range in price from \$40 to \$50 per night.

ALCA winter show speakers selected

A construction labor lawyer, a political businessman, a financial consultant to the landscape industry, and a millionaire expert on interpersonal relations will address attendants at the 1982 annual meeting of the Association Landscape Contractors of America, January 24-29, at the Riviera Hotel in Palm Springs, CA.

A record number of exhibitors have reserved booths and space for outdoor demonstrations, an ALCA custom for exhibitors. Interested persons should contact ALCA, 1750 Old Meadow Rd., McLean, VA 22102.

The certification exam for interior landscaping will be given at the ALCA show as will educational sessions on the subject.

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stock. Chances are the suppliers will be unable to provide either Dacthal or Betasan from Stauffer Chemical Co.

Other alternatives are Balan by Elanco, Tupersan by Du Pont, and Ronstar by Rhone-Poulenc. Cost, residual period, and percentage control are less attractive for these substitutes. Stauffer plans to raise the price of Betasan 10-15 percent to cover the cost of expanded production. Herb Day, manager of specialty products for Stauffer, said production for Betasan had already started when they heard of the fire and only limited expansion of production was possible.

Products containing Dacthal and Betasan will either be short or more expensive next year. Much of the production of these chemicals is for private label combinations with major distributors of fertilizers and chemicals.

CONVENTION

NAA Annual Meeting Set for Maui, Feb. 14-18

The National Arborist Association (NAA) has planned its 1982 Annual Meeting for February 14-18 on the Island of Maui, Hawaii. The headquarters hotel will be the Maui Surf Resort on Kaanapali Beach.

"We expect a very good turnout," said Robert Felix, NAA executive vice president. "Over 150 members have already made their reservations and we think the final number will be nearly double that." Felix added that association members should plan to arrive Saturday, February 13, to overcome any jet lag that might result.

Hotel and air space will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis so the association advises that members make their reservations as soon as possible. The deadline for reservations is December 28.

TURF SEED

Otto Pick buys Ontario company

Otto Pick & Sons Seed Ltd. of Ontario, Canada, has purchased the forage and turf seed division of Maple Leaf Mills Ltd. The purchase includes administrative, processing and research facilities. Maple Leaf is the prime distributor of Fylking Kentucky bluegrass in Canada. Many of the Pick and Maple Leaf efforts will be reorganized and combined.

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by William Hoffman

Four indicted for falsifying safety data

Four former employees of Industrial Bio-Test Laboratories, Inc., (IBT) were charged with giving EPA false safety data on two pesticide active ingredients from 1970 to 1977. The indictments specified fradulent mice carcinogenicity tests on Sencor, a herbicide widely used on corn and soybeans, and Nemacur, a broad spectrum nematicide. EPA has asked the registrant, Chemogro Corporation, to repeat the false IBT studies.

During the early 1970s, IBT also conducted studies on another 200 pesticide active ingredients. Prominent on the list are chemicals such as acephate, atrazine, propoxur, pyrethrin, simazine, terrazole, toxaphene, captan, carbaryl, 2,4-D, DDVP, folpet, metasystox and paraquat. EPA initiated a review of these tests in 1978 and in some cases manufacturers have supplied new safety data. The economic applications of summarily removing some of the chemicals from the market are so serious that EPA chose to take the review route.

Agriculture Canada is also looking at the IBT-tested pesticides and will likely adopt a review technique similar to the one used in the United States.

Minor use pesticide data given boost

The EPA has just awarded a \$35,000 grant to the IR-4 Project for development of data for minor use pesticides. The project, initiated by the USDA in 1963, aids growers of minor crops by coordinating the activities of various state and federal agencies to secure labels and tolerances for minor uses of pesticides. To date, more than \$6 million has been spent in this effort.

Four years ago, IR-4 expanded from only food crop projects to nonfood products, such as annual and perennial floral crops, shrubs, trees, tropical foliage, and turfgrasses. Data from research generated through 1980 have made it possible to assemble registration packages for 1,760 ornamentals involving 19 insecticides, 15 fungicides, and 15 herbicides. From these 969 new label registrations were granted.

The IR-4 program has had a large impact on interior plant pest control. The Interior Plantscape Association has been a driving force behind these efforts.

The research and data are done in USDA laboratories, state agricultural experiment stations, and private locations utilizing a team approach.

Safety agency seeks chain saw standards

The Consumer Products Safety Commission (CPSC) has begun developing a safety standard for chain saws aimed at reducing the risk of injury to users caused by kickback. In 1978, nearly 100,000 persons required medical attention after being injured while using chain saws. About one quarter of these injuries occurred when the saws kicked back. The CPSC estimates that the actual cost of kickback injuries in 1979, not including pain and suffering, was \$24 million. There are nearly 18 million saws in use: 85 percent are gasoline powered and the remainder are electrically powered. Most (85 percent) of the injuries are caused by gasoline powered saws, especially those with a cubic inch displacement of less than 3.5.

The Commission has been working with the chain saw industry and the Chain Saw Manufacturing Association on a safety standard since 1977. It has now decided it would be more expeditious to develop the standard itself and hopes to have one completed by July 31, 1982.

The Commission is one of the independent Federal regulatory agencies targeted for extinction by the Reagan Administration. Congress has objected to such a move. The Commission may end up much smaller and in the U.S. Department of Commerce.



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Turf performance scores. North Brunswick, N.J. 1975-78. (9 = Best).

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Reaction to brown patch disease (Rhizoctonia), Adelphia, N.J., 1978. (9 = least damage)

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PENNFINE	5.8

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CONFUSION REIGNS OVER FEDERAL, INDUSTRY TURF EQUIPMENT REGS

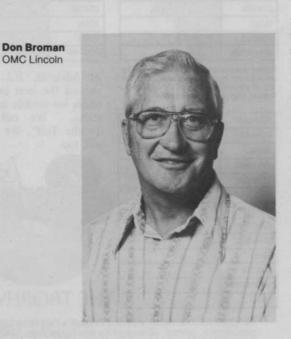
By Thomas Paciello, equipment editor

Confusion over which safety standards commercial turf care equipment manufacturers should follow is the heart of a 10-year disagreement between the manufacturers and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC).

In 1971, OSHA adopted the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) B71.1 standard, "Safety specifications for power lawn mowers, lawn and garden tractors, and lawn tractors." However that standard was developed for consumer mowers and commercial equipment was excluded from its scope. This led to certain problems where non-consumer mowers were being used in an OSHA workplace.

Matters were further complicated since there have been several revisions to ANSI B71.1 after the 1968 version. These later revisions deleted the notice that the standard did not pertain to commercial equipment. While the federal OSHA adheres to the 1968 version, some state OSHA programs have adopted the later versions resulting in conflicts between state and federal OSHA requirements. (The latest version of B71.1, completed in 1980, excludes commercial equipment from its scope.)

In an effort to rectify this situation, the American National Standards Committee on Safety Standards for Lawn Mowers, Snow Throwers, Power Edgers and Trimmers, Garden Tractors, and Related Equipment and Attachments, B71,



formulated American National Standard B71.4, "Safety specifications for commercial turf care equipment." The Outdoor Power Equipment Institute (OPEI) has sponsored the project since its inception in 1956.

The standard states, "The safety specifications in this standard apply to powered walk-behind, towed, and ride-on machines intended for marketing as commercial turf care equipment." In the appendix it is noted that the standard "was developed to provide a set of uniform voluntary requirements specifically addressing commercial turf equipment. In the past there has been confusion as to whether this equipment should be designed to conform to ANSI B71.1 or to agricultural or industrial equipment standards."

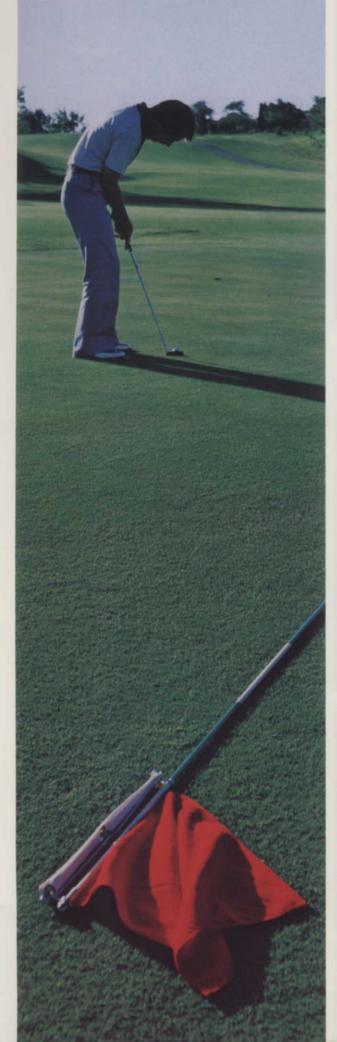
It would seem that the next logical step would be for OSHA to drop ANSI B71.1 and adopt B71.4. According to OSHA it is not that simple. The agency must first be petitioned to change the standard. It then checks to see if the reasons are worthy and if so, it goes through the "rulemaking" procedure. In rulemaking a proposal is developed, public hearings held and comments on whether the change is appropriate are gathered from all the parties with a vested interest.

"We're locked-in to the standard we have now and the only way we can get out of it is to go through rulemaking," said one OSHA official. "We can't arbitrarily say we are going to adopt this (B71.4) standard. We are bound by administrative law to go through the proper process."

Not all manufacturers are in complete agreement with OSHA's stand. "It's ridiculous for OSHA not to adopt the commercial turf care standard," said Gilbert Brown, Bunton, Inc., Louisville, KY. "In 1971 they adopted what was available (B71.1). Now that a more applicable standard is available they should adopt that." Brown was a member of the Engineering Specifications Subcommittee of B71 that developed B71.4.

The majority of manufacturers contacted by WTT noted that they were in favor of voluntary safety specifications. One of the main fears of federal regulation was that it would lead to increased manufacturing costs. (Commercial turf care equipment manufacturers who also make consumer equipment are still reeling from CPSC's decision to make deadman controls mandatory on consumer mowers.)

Noting CPSC's strict (and expensive) rules to protect the mower user, commercial equipment manufacturers believe that the operators of their equipment are more skilled. "Keep in mind that





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Howard Price, Howard Price Equipment Co., Chesterfield, MO, pointed out that increased federal regulation might cause a problem with the specifications of older machinery that was manufactured under another standard.

While most manufacturers downplayed the importance of federal regulations, they were in almost total agreement that industry standards are important. "From a liability standpoint, integrity standpoint and customer-relations standpoint, it is very important that we comply with all



Ron Stolley OMC Lincoln

the standards that we can," said OMC-Lincoln's Ron Stolley. Howard Price added that "buyers want to know that we follow some type of official specifications."

The commercial turf care equipment industry has plans to make voluntary regulations even more enticing to the manufacturers. ANSI B71.4 is currently being revised to correct any sections that are open to multiple interpretations. When that is done (probably sometime in 1982, according to OPEI technical director Ed Mentz) OPEI will institute a safety seal program for companies that manufacture their equipment in accordance with the revised standard.

"We want a reasonable safety standard and still be able to cut grass," said Bunton's Brown. "A lot of time was put in (to B71.4) and I think it's a good start."



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SEED PRODUCTION AND DEMAND BALANCE IN SLUGGISH MARKET

By Bruce F. Shank, executive editor

Turfgrass seed producers have reported to Weeds Trees & Turf that this year's harvest was not as good as expected, but adequate to meet the demand of a market suffering from drought and a weak economy. Increased demand for cheaper, faster germinating perennial ryegrass has started to have a small effect on the consumer demand for Kentucky bluegrass, according to Bill Meyer, Turf Seed, Inc.

Sod producers, large buyers of improved turfgrass seed, have seen sales drop by 50 percent in some areas. A drop in both residential and commercial construction as well as drought conditions are blamed. Interest rates have also slowed home improvement.

The transition to improved grasses is starting to have an impact on the production of common turfgrasses. "Looks strange to see shortages of some of the common items, but it appears that acres were down this year and supply will be tight," said Larry Vetter, manager of Northrup King's Professional Turf Products Division. Vetter observes also that annual ryegrass, perennial ryegrass and creeping red fescue appear to be a little short for the coming year.

Rain at harvest time and ergot hurt production in the Northwest to a degree.

Supplies of some of the newer Kentucky bluegrasses, (such as Enmundi, Columbia and Shasta) will not meet demand. These grasses may be less proficient seed producers, haven't reached full production levels yet, or haven't had the acreage devoted to them by seed growers to meet demand. These same limitations are experienced by brokers of some of the newer perennial ryegrasses and fescues.

Shortages of common, annual and perennial ryegrasses, and red fescue appear possible this year.

Although research has taken years, many new varieties have reached the market. The broader selection is met, however, with a depressed market. Relief from drought has arrived in many locations, but interest rates remain high. Economists see little relief for high interest rates this year since businesses may have learned to live with them instead of fighting them. For the same reason, high interest rates may become less of an obstruction.

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In 1981, Jacklin Seed Company bought Jenks-White Seed Company and International Seeds, Inc., purchased the turf seed division of North American Plant Breeders. These mergers consolidate production and research data. Instead of reducing competition, these mergers might actually increase competition between the large companies. The powers in the seed business have developed lines of improved turfgrasses to compete with each other.

Whereas retail seed tended to be either high quality or common, improved varieties by growing seed companies are making inroads. For example, International Seed's Derby perennial ryegrass is rapidly gaining popularity by retail garden center customers. The retail powerhouse has been and still is O.M. Scott & Sons, which recently purchased Burpee Seed Co. to further expand its consumer line. Vaughan Jacklin, Lofts, and others are regionally strong in retail. These professional turf seed companies are offering improved varieties thereby teaching retail customers the benefits of improved grasses over common ones for fine lawns. This demand is then passed on to the sod grower and landscape contractor when customers ask for improved grasses by name.

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Seed companies will moderate price increases to compete with sluggish demand this fall. However, if demand picks up dramatically, there may be spot shortages of some varieties, including common ones. Sod producers in many locations have acres unharvested. They will likely not speculate and plant large acreage this fall. Spring seeding may be a safer alternative for them at this time. This would further aggravate shortages in the spring if dramatic recovery is experienced.

Sod producers in many areas have large unharvested acreage.

As a result, this fall may not be a bad time to replenish seed inventories whether or not you intend to use it this fall.

If the market for turf improves this fall and winter, you can bet the seed companies are going to let out all stops to produce record quantities of improved varieties in 1982.

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PREPARING FOR THE PGA: SUPERINTENDENT TELLS ORDEAL

By Bruce F. Shank, executive editor

Sports announcers covering major golf tournaments rarely provide information on preparation and maintenance of the course or on the individuals who worried and sweated for more than two years to get everything ready for perhaps six hours of television exposure.

The television viewer assumes, for the most part, that any course could host a major tournament with minor adjustments. The Professional Golfers' Association and the superintendents involved in the PGA Championship will tell you otherwise.

The 1981 PGA was held at the Atlanta Athletic Club in Duluth, Georgia. The historic club, home course of professional Bob Jones and early employer of football trophy namesake John Heisman, had a reputation to protect.

The president of the Atlanta Athletic Club, Merriell Autry and the tournament committees knew the selection of a superintendent was critical to the success of the event. The 2,500 members were not to be embarrassed by mistakes. With the advise of the PGA, the Club selected Jim Ganley in 1979, then superintendent of Forest Oaks Country Club in Greensboro, North Carolina. Ganley managed the preparation of that course for the Greater Greensboro Open for three years.

Ganley started his turf career under the tutelage of Dr. Joseph Troll at the University of Massachusetts. Immediately, Ganley caught golf fever and was acting superintendent of a golf course at the age of 18 during the summer. In less than ten years he and golf course architect Jeffrey Cornish of Amherst, Mass., built six courses, including the Connecticut Golf Club for Lawrence Wein, then owner of the Empire State Building. This course is now called the Golf Course at Aspituck.

To apply his experience to turf in the West Coast, Ganley worked for O.M. Scott & Sons in research and development in California. His next move was to Pinehurst, one of the largest golf facilities in the world located in North



A special touch for PGA golfers, viewers, and gallery was this annual display celebrating the event. Despite rain and clouds, the display brightened the atmosphere during the tournament.

Carolina. From there he went to Forest Oaks.

During his career Ganley made an effort to meet the touring professionals and get their opinion of tournament courses. Ganley is a close friend of Lanny Watkins. He also talked with PGA staff at every opportunity. It was the professionals and the PGA staff that knew of Ganley's experience and passed the word to tournament club officers.

Tournament preparation

The Atlanta Athletic Club has 36 holes in two different courses, the Highlands and the Riverside courses. Originally designed by Robert Trent Jones, the course had been improved by golf course architects Joe Finger and Tom Fazio.

The largest problem upon Ganley's arrival was an older irrigation system with incomplete coverage. The Highlands course was to be the tourna-

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ment course and Ganley began to build a case for an improved irrigation system on the Highlands and repair of the older system on the Riverside.

Ganley felt a misting system on the perimeter of the greens, separate from the course system, would help regulate surface temperatures in the 95 degree plus Atlanta heat. Working with Toro Irrigation Division, Ganley chose a double-row system looped in every fairway.

With evidence and drawings in hand, Ganley went before the Greens Committee and got a go ahead. In 1979, more than 77,000 ft. of pipe was laid in the Highlands course.

With slightly more than one year before the tournament, Ganley knew green reconstruction or renovation was tricky. Instead, he chose to heavily topdress with pure sand. The greens had a percolation rate of 2½-inches/hour and he wanted to get it up to 4-inches/hour. His crew double aerified the greens with 5%-inch spoons and topdressed with pure sand. Percolation increased 25 percent. Now this process is used in the spring and fall every year in addition to light sand topdressings 8 times per year.

All 36 greens are Penncross usually cut at 5/32-inches. The Highlands greens were doublecut at 3/32-inches for the PGA. The greens receive 6 lbs. of nitrogen per 1,000 square feet per year. The fertilizer program was not increased from previous superintendents.

The fungicide program includes Dyrene, Tersan 1991 with Danconil, and Tersan 1991 with Actidione and Thiram. Ganley doubled fungicide applications from previous programs.

He also doubled the insecticide program



Ganley shows PGA officials the triple-cut fairways prior to the tournament.

which includes Scotts Granular 2 Insecticide, Dursban and Proxol.

The herbicide program for greens centers around two applications (April 15 and June 15) of Betasan preemergence control of crabgrass and goosegrass. Fairway weeds are controlled by two applications of Balan and spot treatments with MSMA. No treatments are made during July to prevent discoloration.

Fungicide and insecticide programs were doubled.

For the tournament the fairways were triplecut, the third cut with a greens mower, at ³/₈-inch. The fairways are Tifgreen 328 Bermudagrass fertilized with 3 lbs. N/1,000 sq. ft./year. Ganley does not overseed greens or fairways.

Tees are also Tifgreen. They receive $4-4\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. N/1,000/year and are mowed at $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch. The rough is mowed at 2-inches and 4-inches depending upon the location.

The course is heavily trapped. Many greens have traps both in front and back.

Other improvements

More than 5 acres of sod was purchased to renovate fairways, tees and greens prior to the tournament. Part of this was a 20,000 square foot practice green.

More than 60,000 feet of drainage tubing was installed. This proved exceptionally wise since it rained the week before and two days of the tournament. To keep playing conditions on the greens consistent Ganley misted the greens periodically during dry days.

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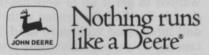
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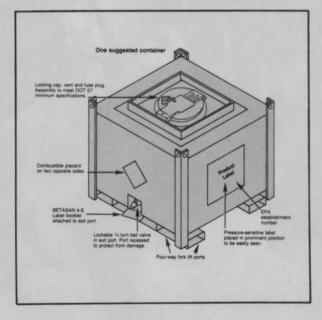
By Herb Day, Manager of Specialties, Stauffer Chemical Company, Agricultural Chemical Division

Bulk handling of pesticides is an idea whose time has come for lawn care companies. The use of mini-bulk containers in place of drums has been accepted readily by farmers since their introduction almost six years ago. The advantages far outweigh any possible disadvantages, providing the manufacturers, distributors and users follow the guidelines and regulations established by the EPA and DOT.

What is known as bulk handling is really a mini-bulk handling program for distributing liquid pesticides—primarily herbicides—from the distributor to the lawn care company or other users.

The basic manufacturer or formulator transports the pesticide in bulk to a transfer area where the product is pumped into the mini-bulk tanks. These tanks are portable and can be moved to and from the formulator or by the lawn care companies in place of the five and 55 gallon drums used previously. Some lawn care companies will be considering larger stationary tanks—1,000 gallons to 2,000 gallons. These tanks do not have to meet the DOT specifications of the portable mini-tanks but their use is subject to all other regulations and the construction should be compatible with the product to be placed in them. Our Betasan 4-E will be available in mini-bulk in 1982.

Usually mini-bulk tanks are between 150 and 300 gallons. DOT-57 contains the government



regulations spelling out the minimum requirements for mini-bulk tanks. (See special section below on DOT-57).

Advantages

- Eliminates drum handling and disposal.
- Keeps a pesticide in one container and in one area.
- Improves accuracy in measuring because of metered pump attached to tank.
- Lends itself to a closed system handling of pesticides.

Disadvantages

- Initial outlay for one or more tanks.
- Need for a separate storage area for tanks (maybe).
- May have to buy more chemical at one time than may be needed.

The advantages appear to outweigh the disadvantages as those who are using the mini-bulk system have discovered.

If you are considering going to mini-bulk handling the following will be helpful:

First of all, determine if the liquid pesticides you are or will be using are available for minibulk handling. Then purchase or lease the tank or tanks you need. The tanks have to meet DOT regulations (see below) which specifies metal tanks only.

• Determine if the tanks you purchase are compatible with the products you plan to put in them. The manufacturer or formulator should be able to give you guidance.

• Determine where your tanks will be located. If you purchase tanks and have them filled by your supplier at your location, you must have your tank location registered with EPA as an EPA pesticide establishment. If you only receive full tanks at your location, and only store the tanks there for your company's use as you would 55 gallon drums, your location does not have to be registered with EPA.

• Determine the size of the mini-tanks you need. DOT regulations state that the tanks must be between 110 and 660 gallons. The most popular sizes are 125, 200, 250 and 300 gallons. These tanks usually have about the same width and length and differ only in height to accommodate the added capacity.

• The DOT-approved tanks have a built-in or attached metering pump which can deliver the amount of product in a more efficient manner than can be accomplished by tipping a 55 gallon drum and measuring into a bucket.

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There are several tank manufacturers making DOT-approved tanks. These include:

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- Progress Industries
- Heartland Chemical Co.
- Hoover Universal Tote Systems

Some plastic tanks are being used where DOT-57 specifications are not required (as for liquid fertilizer). Two companies who produce these tanks are Snyder Industries and Poly Processing Co. The advantages of poly tanks are lighter weight and lower cost. Both companies are trying to get an exemption from DOT to permit the use of their tanks for combustible products including pesticides.

While mini-tanks do not have to be dedicated strictly to a specific product, they should be cleaned out thoroughly before switching to another product. Usually a good flushing with water will do an acceptable cleaning job. This rinse water can then be put in the spray tank and used. The filling cap on the tank should be kept locked at all times to prevent any contamination.

Determine what local fire codes might apply to the storage of pesticides in mini-bulk tanks and follow their regulations. You may already be complying with local codes with your present pesticide storage.

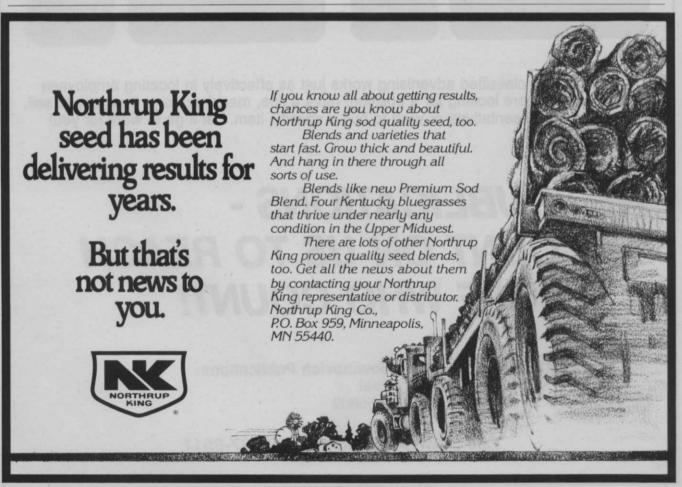
When the regulations are followed, from EPAestablished registration to the use of approved tanks, lawn care companies will find that the handling procedures will simplify and improve their operations.

The distributor or formulator who sells the lawn care company also has responsibility to comply with the regulations under DOT, OSHA and EPA.

If he is supplying the mini-bulk tanks, it is his obligation to see that they conform to DOT 57. If he is filling mini-tanks owned by the user, he must be sure that the mini-tanks have both the proper pesticide label and the DOT 57-approved metal certification plate affixed to the tank. If he is filling the tanks at the lawn care company's location, he must be sure the location is an EPAregistered establishment.

DOT 57 Main Points

These specifications apply to tanks of any shape: Continues on page 46



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• Except for gaskets, pressure relief devices, valve sets, liners and linings, all construction material must be metal.

• Any material used must not be susceptible to stress corrosion cracking.

• Tanks must pass a series of tests including: design qualification testing; vibration and drop tests; structural integrity tests, for lifting devices, stocking support devices and fitting and protective devices; and production quality control testing and inspection.

• Each tank must have a capacity of at least 110 gallons but not more than 660 gallons.

• Each fill and discharge opening must be equipped with the proper closure device. Closures for a fill opening in excess of 20 square inches must be equipped with a device to prevent the closure from fully opening without first relieving internal pressure.

• Each fitting which could be damaged sufficiently to result in leakage of tank contents must be protected by suitable guards or protective housings.

• Each tank must be equipped with at least one pressure relief device such as a spring-loaded valve, frangible disc or fusible plug. WTT



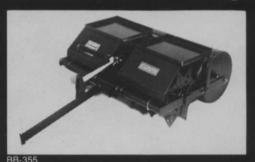
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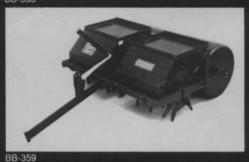
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By Roger Funk, Ph.D., Davey Tree Expert Co., Kent, Ohio

Q: Hybrid poplars planted in a development area have grown rapidly and sent out strong feeder roots which are lifting the curbs and sidewalks and erupting in blacktop areas. They also clog water and sanitary systems. The feeder roots seeking nourishment send out new leaf systems which erupt in lawns and driveways causing considerable damage.

We can not spray systemic herbicide because of wind drift and our only alternative seems to be to remove these trees. Other than girdling the tree, is there any injection that you could recommend to kill the tree and its damaging root system? If so, how long will the killing process take? (New York)

A: Garlon 3A, produced by Dow Chemical, is effective on poplars and can be used with the frill or girdle method or trunk injection on existing trees or as a stump treatment to the cambium immediately after cutting. All of these techniques are included on the label as cut surface treatments in right-of-way, other non-crop areas and forests to kill unwanted trees. As a precaution, you should not treat trees in close proximity to desirable trees, since, although Garlon 3A has a low potential for root transmission, all cut surface treatment chemicals may be passed through connecting root systems into adjacent trees.

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For more detailed information, contact your local cooperative extension agent or Dow Chemical representative.

Q: I realize this is not your normal technical question but could you tell me how to remove grass stains from children's clothes? Some of our clients feel that, since we are in the lawn care business, we have all the answers.

A: According to the American Institute of Laundering, the best way to remove grass stains from white fabrics is by a thorough washing with detergent and an ordinary household bleach. For colored fabric or wool, use denatured or rubbing alcohol. Place the stain face down on a clean rag or paper towel, pour the alcohol through the fabric and tamp it with your fingers. Move the stained area to a clean spot on the absorbent material and repeat the process until the stain disappears.

Q: Is it better to dethatch in the spring or fall? (Pennsylvania)

A: Cool-season turfgrasses should have a least a 30-day period of favorable growth conditions following mechanical dethatching. Both early spring and late summer are recommended, although spring may be less desirable because of the potential for summer heat and drought stress before the turfgrass fully recuperates and the increased potential for crabgrass. **Q**: How important are mycorrhizae in the growth of trees?

A: There is much evidence that mycorrhizal fungi and roots of trees exist symbiotically. The tree supplies carbohydrates and other metabolized compounds beneficial to the fungus, and the fungus increases the absorption of nitrogen, phosphorus and other nutrients. There is also evidence that the nycorrhizal fungi protects the tree from pathogenic fungi by acting as a physical barrier and by secreting fungistatic substances.

Although trees can grow successfully without mycorrhizae in soils with high fertility, they appear to grow much better with mycorrhizae.

Q: Every year many of our client's lawns turn brown in the summer and we have trouble justifying a continuation of the program. Is summer dormancy caused by heat or moisture stress? If clients watered, would their lawns stay green? Most of the lawns are Kentucky bluegrass or mixture of bluegrass and fine fescue.

A: Summer dormancy is controlled mainly by the availability of water in most cool-season turf grasses, including Kentucky bluegrass and red fescue. Watering not only provides an adequate level of available moisture but also helps cool the turfgrass through evapotranspiration.

Q: What is your opinion of reseeding bluegrass lawns every year as practiced by some local lawn care companies? (Massachusetts)

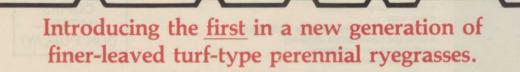
A: Kentucky bluegrass is by nature self-renewing. Annual seeding into an existing lawn is almost always a waste of time unless bare spots are larger than about 8 inches in diameter. Your time and money are better spent improving growth conditions for existing grass.

Comment: Regarding my response to a reader inquiry on oil sprays which appeared in the August 1981 column, more recent information indicates that the caution statements on temperature are unnecessary.

Dr. Johnson reiterated his findings at the recent International Society of Arboriculture meeting in Boyne Falls, Michigan. He also feels that it is doubtful if there are any deciduous trees sensitive to lightsuperior oil if the dosages are in line with prescribed rates and the plants are not under moisture stress. For more detailed information, read Dr. Warren Johnson's article entitled "Spray Oils as Insecticides" which appeared in the July 1980 issue of the Journal of Arboriculture.

If any readers are aware of injury from superior oil which was applied properly, please let me know.

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As in Ganley's case, the Club must understand that additional, well-trained staff are needed in the months prior to a tournament. It must reward the superintendent for his heavier load. And, it must work with the PGA, the USGA, and perhaps the GCSAA to assure a playable and presentable course for the big moment. **WTT**

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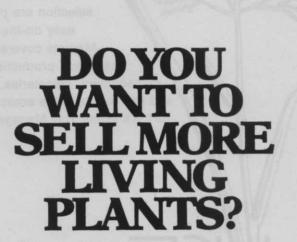
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Atlantic Seedsmen's Association Convention, Biltmore Plaza, Providence, RI, Nov. 4-6. Contact Executive Secretary Margaret Herbst, 230 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10017.

Washington State Weed Association annual meeting, Convention Center, Yakima, WA, Nov. 4-6. Contact Timothy Smith, Secretary, Washington State Weed Association, c/o Grant-Adams Cooperative Extension, Courthouse, Ephrata, WA 98823, 509/754-2011.

California Landscape Contractors' Association Annual Convention, Frontier Hotel, Las Vegas, NV, Nov. 5-8. Contact CLCA, 1419 21st Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, 916/ 448-CLCA.

Thirty-Second Annual Southern Turfgrass Conference and Show, Hilton Hotel, Baton Rouge, LA, Nov. 8-10. Contact Dr. G. Euel Coats, Southern Turfgrass Association, Drawer CP, Mississippi State, MS 39762, 601/ 325-3138.

Herbicide Action, Intensive Course, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, Nov. 8-13 and Nov. 15-20. Contact Continuing Education Business Office, Room 110, Stewart Center, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN 47907.

Turfgrass Herbicide Minicourse, Blacksburg, VA, **Nov. 9-11.** Contact Cooperative Extension Service, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Patton Hall, Blacksburg, VA 24061, 703/961-6491.

The Irrigation Association Annual Convention, Honolulu, HI, Nov. 9-13. Contact Tom Schiltz, Director Technical Services, The Irrigation Association, 13975 Connecticut Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20906, 301/871-1200.

15th Annual Clemson Turfgass Conference, Clemson University, Clemson, SC, **Nov. 10-11.** Contact Dr. Landon C. Miller, Clemson University, Dept. of Horticulture, Room 161, P&AS Building, Clemson, SC 29631, 803/ 656-3403.

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New York State Turfgrass Association Conference & Trade Show, Albany, NY, Nov. 16-19. Contact Ann Reilly, NYSTA, 210 Cartwright Blvd., Massapequa Park, NY 11762, 516/ 541-6902.

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Landscape Management Minicourse, Blacksburg, VA, Nov. 18-20. Contact Cooperative Extension Service, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Patton Hall, Blacksburg, VA 24061, 703/961-6491.

Second Annual Convention and Trade Show of the Professional Lawn Care Association of America, Commonwealth Convention Center, Louisville, KY, **Nov. 18-20.** Contact Jane Stecker, Administrative Director, PLCAA, Suite 1717, 435 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL 60611.

Christmas Nursery Retail Tour, Southern California, Nov. 19. Contact Lanny E. Walker, Public Relations Director, California Association of Nurserymen, 1419 21st Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, 916/448-2881.

American Society of Landscape Architects 81st Annual Meeting, Washington Hilton, Washington, D.C., Nov. 21-24. Contact William Oyler, ASLA, Suite 750, 1900 M Street NW, Washington, DC 20036 (202) 466-7730.

12th Annual GCSA/University of Georgia Turfgrass Short Course, Athens, GA, Nov. 23-24. Contact George M. Kozelnicky, University of Georgia, c/o Dept. of Plant Pathology & Plant Genetics, Athens, Georgia 30601.

Seventh Annual Professional Landscape Management School, Evansville, IN, Nov. 24-25. Contact Allen Boger, Extension Agent, Horticulture, Room 202, City-County Building, Evansville, IN 47708.

ALCA Design/Build Symposium, Marriot-North, Dallas, TX, Dec. 2-4. Contact ALCA, 1750 Old Meadow Road, McLean, VA 22102, 703/ 821-8611.

Minnesota Nurserymen's Association Convention, Radisson South Hotel, Minneapolis, MN, Nov. 29-Dec. 1. Contact Minnesota Nurserymen's Association, 1360 Terrace Drive, St. Paul, MN 55113, 612/633-4987.

American Society of Agronomy, Crop Science Society of America and Soil Science Society of America, 73rd Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, Nov. 29-Dec. 4. Contact American Society of Agronomy, 677 South Segoe Road, Madison, WI 53711, 608/274-1212.

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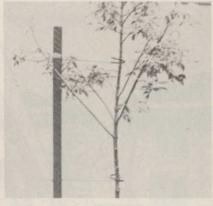
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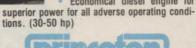
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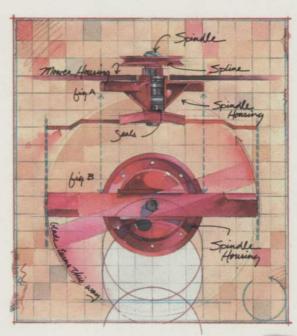
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