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Eugene Roberts of nearby Fairway Turf Farms gave the toast: "He said we had to have quality sod and

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Dr. Elwyn E. Deal, assistant director of the University of Maryland Cooperative Extension Service: "There has never been a person more unselfish than Parker; he was always ready to jump in his station wagon and go to a meeting or wherever else he was needed."

Dr. William Mitchell, turf specialist at the University of Delaware: "When we heard Parker was retiring, we took a vote and decided to close the whole place down. Even the grass around Agriculture Hall turned a little bit brown."

Ray Gustin, Gustin Gardens, representing the Associated Landscaping Contractors of America: "Whenever somebody asked him to do something, he always said 'I'll be glad to."

Jim Fisher, representing the



Mrs. Shirling and Eugene Roberts, Fairway Turf Farms



Mr. and Mrs. John Hall, University of Maryland professor



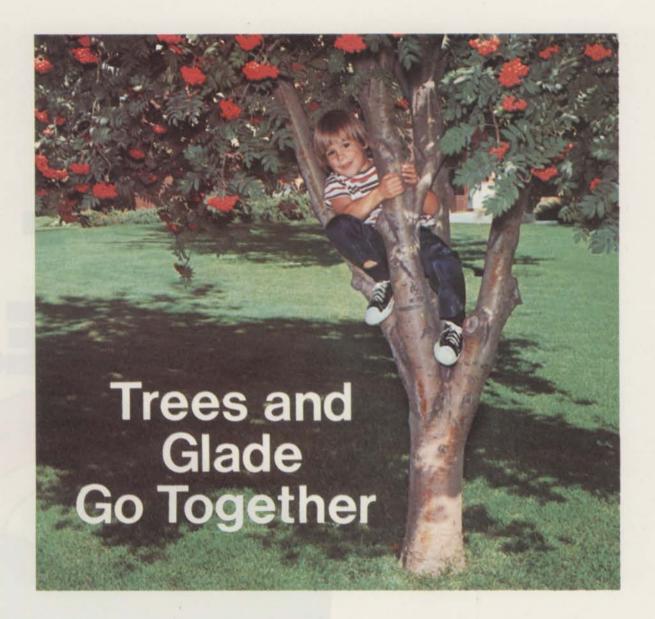
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Maryland Turfgrass Association: "We've had about 120 meetings since he helped form the association and he has been to about 110 of them. He pioneered quality turf in Maryland and the country."

Jack Kidwell, Kidwell Turf Farms, Culpeper, Va., representing the American Sod Producers Association: "He is the first sod producer to earn honorary membership in ASPA."

Emory Pattin of the Maryland Turfgrass Council: "He made the turf industry sit up and take notice of the changing times; he made the industry better for all of us."

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'We have been recognized by government as a spokesman for the tree care industry; this dialogue is very important'

Arborists' Bob Felix

# Traveling Tree Man

Bob Felix, executive secretary of the National Arborist Association, is a one-man, traveling tree show. If you need to know something about the tree care industry, he probably has the pertinent and most up-to-date information right there in his briefcase, or he probably talked to the number one person in that subject area within the last week either by phone or in person.

He is straight and to the point, and you know where he is coming from after 21 years in the tree care business before becoming executive secretary of NAA. He is excited about the tree business and where it is headed in this bicentennial year, and he stopped by offices of WEEDS TREES & TURF a few weeks ago to talk about what NAA is doing and where it is going.

"We have established a working relationship with the Environmental Protection Agency and the Occupational Safety Health Administration," he said. "NAA has been recognized as a spokesman for the shade tree industry, and this dialogue is very important. It enables the industry to have a voice in forthcoming regulations from Washington and on state levels."

The same day Felix said this, he had spent the morning in Washington with other NAA members with EPA officials discussing two issues — tank mixing; and mixing like insecticides when all the same pests are not named on both labels. Favorable rulings are expected, but whatever the final formal disposition, the NAA and the tree care industry were represented in the decision.

The NAA is also developing a 22-cassette training program for the entire tree care industry, not just NAA members. Areas touched on in the training program are cabling, plant pathology, soils, fertilization,

spraying, tree removal, identification and effects of pollution on trees. "The purpose here is to give the tree care industry diagnostic and practical tools to help companies and their workers do their job better," Felix said.

Felix is very excited about the new management and technical seminars being developed for tree care companies by NAA. The first management seminar was held last month in Chicago with very good response

The committee structure of NAA is strong. Its utility committee is working on developing a forum for exposing common problems of utility tree trimming. The standard practices committee is revising and determining new needs for additional standards of the industry. The safety committee is preparing slide programs on the correct and safe way to carry out tree care work to be shown to employes.

The NAA has participated in and is supporting shade tree evaluation guideline (see May issue). Also, the bicentennial tree program being pushed by NAA is a way to put arborists on the map and get recognition for the tree industry. "After all," Felix said, "trees are the only living witness to the Revolution."

Audiometric testing standards to come down from OSHA is another area that will be in the news in months to come. "What are chipper and chain saw companies doing about these impending standards?" Felix asked. "What kind of impact will there be?

"Our long-range goal is to increase our membership by becoming broader in some areas, enlarge our relationship with EPA, OSHA, and other government agencies, and pursue our relationship with other organizations and associations in the green industry," he said.

# Pine Beetle Battle in Denver

Residents of mountain areas must learn to manage the forest, or give in to the mountain pine beetle.

The many Denver people who fled the hectic life during the last five or 10 years in favor of the slower and more relaxed pace in new mountain homes forgot to ask about one of their neighbors— the mountain pine beetle.

When hundreds and thousands of people moved up into their new homes in mountain valley subdivisions or onto their two or five acres further on up, they brought many changes with them. Along with the new homes came better fire protection. And because of that, trees are now growing where they've never grown before in such numbers.

Also new homes and roads rerouted runoff and isolated trees from their normal supplies of water and nutrients. Other roads were packed down over tree roots. Many trees had much of their root systems severed. And with such an increase in tree numbers, the competition between them weakened them

Weakened and overcrowded trees are most susceptible to mountain pine beetle destruction, so man created a situation that was ripe for a full-blown beetle infestation. And that's exactly what developed.

Drive up through those residential areas today and you'll see mountain sides checkered with pockets of beetle-killed ponderosa pine. The problem is especially serious in residential and recreational areas because the trees there are worth considerably more than if they were in a remote commercial forest.

Because they are in residential and other developed areas, the International Society of Arboriculture says each tree is worth up to \$10 for every inch in diameter. That's an investment homeowners can't afford to overlook.

USDA entomologist Bob Averill working in Roosevelt National Forest outside Boulder, Colo. ties a log infested with mountain pine beetles to a healthy, uninfested tree. The tree will become infested, then will be sprayed to enable researchers to study effectiveness of insecticides, spraying equipment and spraying techniques.

What's being done to stop the beetle? The state of Colorado, along with the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture (USDA), is spending about a half million dollars each year on suppression. Colorado itself had an active control program underway. In that program, infested trees are cut down, stacked in the sun and covered with plastic tarps, then fumigated with ethylene dibromide (EDB) — one of two chemicals labeled for use on the pine beetle, says Ken Lister, a USDA Forest Service entomologist in Denver.

Lister, along with Bob Averill, another USDA entomologist, are both involved with USDA projects aimed at controlling the threaten-

ing pest. Presently they are working with a formulation of Sevimol 4 carbaryl insecticide. Called "Pine Tree And Ornamental Spray," the product is formulated and distributed by Balcom Chemical Company in Greeley. Balcom, an agricultural chemical distributor, has a Colorado state registration for use of the material as a preventive spray to control pine beetle. It is the only product currently registered for such use. Union Carbide, Salinas, Calif., manufacturer of Sevimol, hopes to have the insecticide federally regis-

tered for control of mountain pine

beetle in the near future.

Lindane is also being used against the beetle. It is applied to infested trees as the beetles are leaving them but before they can reach and kill another tree. But both lindane and EDB are being used for direct control. Neither of them are registered for use as a preventive spray for mountain pine beetle. Outside of work by government agencies, homeowners themselves also are actively involved in trying to stop the spread of the mountain pine beetle. A number of forestry cooperatives have sprung up in these new residential areas. And many of these coops are also getting federalstate cost sharing assistance — from 30 to 50 percent of the cost of control being repaid.

But Lister points out that much of the beetle problem could be solved by forest management. "If a

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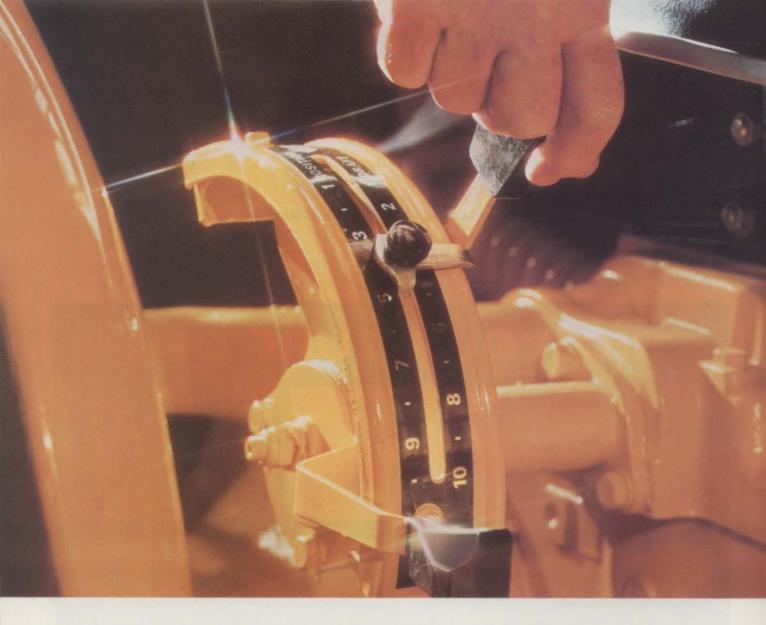
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