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#### **Hardiness**

a thornfree form. Neither are yet used to the extent we believe they will when better known.

Flowering crabapples are a topranking group all across northern areas. To our benefit most of the newer flowering crabapple varieties are improvements over previously introduced selections. These better varieties have greater resistance to disease and most bear smaller sized fruit, two of the very best reasons to consider switching to some of them. Nurserymen in Region 5 are uniquely well situated to use the flowering crabapple performance data published annually by Professors Nichols (Plant Pathology) and Brewer (Horticulture) of The Pennsylvania State University. Their 1978 report "Flowering Crabapples in Central Pennsylvania" was released earlier this year. It's easy to see the landscaping advantages of small fruit, so why not select the best from among them, those that give you greater mileage in beauty because the fruit persists attractively on the trees for months longer. Malus 'Red Jewel' was rated in this report - "Excellent, showy red fruit by 11/21". Fruit size was as small or smaller (1/4-3/8 inch) than any of the 10 kinds whose fruit did persist as late as November 21, 1978. No apple scab reported on Red Jewel for 1978 at the Rock Springs Research Center.

European Mountain Ash is especially colorful in northern areas. including all the Great Lakes region. Fruit appears to color brighter and the foliage is freer of the shabby look the leaves take on in areas having warmer and drier growing seasons.

Japanese Tree Lilac with cherrylike bark on older trunks is at least a three season beauty - creamywhite, cone-shaped flower clusters. heavy textured leaves all season and the cherry bark winter color. Where grown and planted on sites requiring 5 feet or more of clearance, they are customarily "spec .- ed" single-stem, tree form, but specimens with 2 to 5 trunks limbed up to a corresponding height are just as useful and much more attractive. One other advantage. If one trunk is lost by injury, the top in several years will still "roundout"

The Sheridan selection 'Ivory Silk' introduced through the Canadian Ornamental Plant Foundation is described as a sturdy, compact treeform selection flowering at an early age. This is exactly the type needed.

In larger trees, we can never seemingly over plant the sugar and red maple. Both mature into large specimen trees. When we crowd either the roots or tops, but especially the root area, the trees may show stress symptoms - leaf scorching at first, then slowed annual growth, then twig die-back starting on the extremities of the top and outer branches. When either of these trees are to be planted in some kind of man-made root area, pit or above ground, argue persuasively for the largest soil volume possible with square footage of surface area predominately important. The upright, columnar to narrow pyramidal forms are best where space between trees or other features is

Among exotic (introduced) trees that we feel quite comfortable with are European Beech, Norway Maple and Little Leaf Linden. Natives we continue to plant are Pin and Red Oak, White and Green Ash, Honeylocust, and the several birches. A number of nurseries and governmental institutions are working to determine which of the so-called white barked, borer-resistant birch species from Asia are best. Seedling populations of several kinds are just now becoming available in the trade and more will be soon.

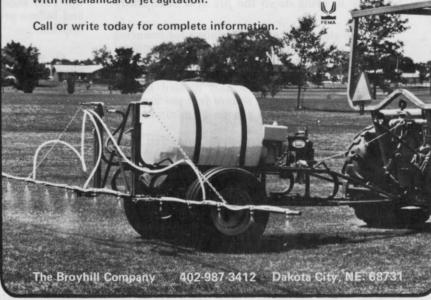
Back to the smaller trees, Japanese maple properly sited gets more beautiful and more valuable each year it ages. The species and its selections in large sizes seem to be continually in short supply. Redbud is a perennial favorite. It is unfortunate more growers are not propagating the white and pink forms, but especially the pink. An eight to ten foot specimen of Wither's Pink Charm is breath taking.

With promising new Magnolias coming from the efforts of The National Arboretum and dedicated Magnolia breeders both here and abroad, it could easily be worth your while to try some of them even if available only in small sizes. Do what many nurserymen do. They plant them in their own landscape plantings until large enough to move B&B to a permanent site where they can be further observed and photographed.

We presume that Golden Raintree, Yellow-wood and Japanese Pagoda still head the list of summer flowering trees if there is evidence in your area that flowering age trees are doing just that. WTT

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### **VEGETATION MANAGEMENT**

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

Q. On lawns with a pH of over 8.0, what is the best way to bring down the pH of a satisfactory level?

A. The standard recommendation for lowering the pH of soil solution is applications of elemental sulfur or sulfur-containing compounds such as iron sulfate and aluminum sulfate. Applications of sulfur to established turf are best limited to five pounds of sulfur per 1000 square feet per application during the dormant season to minimize the potential for "burn."

Although we have successfully corrected alkaline conditions in sandy soils, fine textured soils that are inherently calcareous may resist acidifying treatments because of their tremendous buffering capacity. It is often more feasible to modify the fertilizer treatments to compensate for alkaline-induced deficiencies rather than to attempt to

correct the pH.

**Q.** I have been told that I can scalp turf in the spring to help eliminate thatch, but I thought that scalping injures the grass.

A. Turfgrasses can be scalped in early spring before greenup since most of the existing leaf tissue will be replaced with new spring growth. However, after growth has occurred, scalping will upset the equilibrium between the root and shoot systems and cause a stress condition. Also, as the temperature gets warmer, scalping can expose the turfgrass crown to excess heat and drying, which could seriously injure or kill the turfgrass plants.

**Q.** Is it true that liquid fertilizers are absorbed by turfgrass leaves and do not promote root growth?

A. Some of the liquid fertilizers will be absorbed by turfgrass leaves, but it is not true that liquid fertilizers promote foliage growth without a supporting root system. In fact, granular fertilizers must dissolve in soil solution to form the same nutrient ions that are in liquid fertilizers before the plant root can absorb them. The major difference between a liquid and a granular fertilizer is the rate at which these nutrient ions are released and, therefore, available for root absorption.

**Q.** Last year many of the lawns we serviced had snow mold and it left bare spots. If the same thing happens this year, should I put down a fungicide?

A. Applications of fungicide for the control of snow molds must be made in late fall before snow cover. Chemical treatments in the spring — after the damage has been done — are not effective.

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Since snow molds usually kill only the turfgrass leaves, the crown area of the plants will produce

new leaf tissue if the dead, matted grass is raked up. This should be done before spring green-up and before pre-emergent crabgrass herbicides are applied.

Q. What should be done for ornamentals that have been injured by the cold, winter weather.

A. Prune out the dead wood, lightly fertilize and keep the plants well watered (don't overdo it) during the summer months. Mulch applied over the root system in the fall will help keep freezing temperatures from penetrating into the root zone.

Q. I need current information on options for control of poison oak, also remedies for skin contamination from poison oak.

A. Compounds such as Amitrol-T and Weedazol, which contain aminotriazole, are labeled for the control of poison oak. Be sure to read the label to determine if these products can be applied un-

der your conditions.

The potential for skin contamination with poison oak can be minimized if protective clothing is worn and laundered immediately after application. A number of non-prescription creams and lotions which contain drying agents and relieve itching are available at drug stores. Among the most common products are Ziradryl, IVarest, and calamine and caladryl lotions. Severe allergenic reactions should be referred to a physician.

**A.** What type of agitation — mechanical or Venturi — is more effective for wettable powders, and why?

A. Mechanical agitation is usually more effective in suspending wettable powders. Hydraulic agitation will provide adequate suspension if the pump has sufficient capacity. Placing jets on the end of a separate pressure line for recirculation of 10% of the tank capacity per minute is usually recommended.

**Q.** What green dye product can be mixed with Trimec weedkiller to give the lawn a better appearance?

A. There are at least a dozen dyes or pigments on the market that will safely color turfgrasses. The dye formulations have a shorter residual than the plastic or latex pigments because they fade in the

sun and wash off with water.

Among the products we have tested are Greenzit (W. A. Cleary Corporation), Winterlawn (Virginia Chemicals), and Ever-Bright (Davis Paint Company). All of these materials will stain pavement, etc., unless precautions are taken; and if applied during the growing season, they will be mowed off as the turfgrass grows.



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A new model, featuring a liquid-

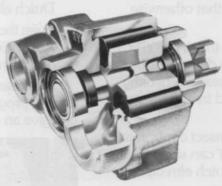
cooled industrial engine has been added to Excel Hustler line of commercial mowers built by Excel Industries, Inc.

The significant difference between the new model 295 and the acre-proven 285 is its engine. Unlike automotive type engines commonly installed on mowers, this 2-cylinder, long stroke Continental engine develops high torque at lower RPM, which adds to engine life and delivers superior performance. Its manufacturer claims easier servicing, lower upkeep, and less downtime; Excel engineers are enthusiastic, viewing it as the ideal choice to meet market demands by groundskeepers whose specs require a liquid-cooled engine.

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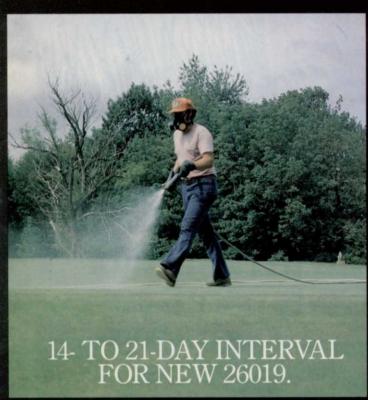
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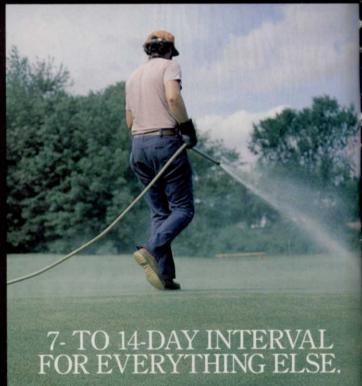
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