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Dr. Bob Shearman of the University of Nebraska said heat stress in turfgrass can be reduced by increasing the cutting height, air movement over the turf. syringing, control of thatch accumulation, and less fertilization. By cutting the grass an inch higher surface temperatures are reduced four or more degrees.

Dr. James Beard of Texas A&M University told delegates that wind speed has a greater effect on ball roll than any management practice. Beard disputed whether double cutting greens increases roll. He recommended topdressing after coring, removal of dew on greens, selection of fast turfgrasses, and alternate mowing.

Dr. John Madison, professor emeritus of the University of California outlined the pro's and con's of sand topdressing. This procedure helps control thatch; provides a truer, faster putting surface; and allows for deeper rooting. The drawbacks include application rates for chemicals must be carefully adjusted, handling of large volumes of sand, interface problems between soil and sand layers, and localized dry spots. Madison recommended frequent light applications of sand over fewer heavy applications. He said up to 50 applications per year may be necessary in some locations. The size of the sand particle is also critical.

Dr. Roy Goss of the Western Washington Extension Center showed delegates that material from the explosion of Mount St. Helens is very similar to present soils, lacking primarily organic matter. Goss said one cubic mile of material now coats more than 600,000 acres of land in the area. Trials have indicated that bentgrasses, fescues and rvegrasses will succeed on the ash with less success with bluegrasses.

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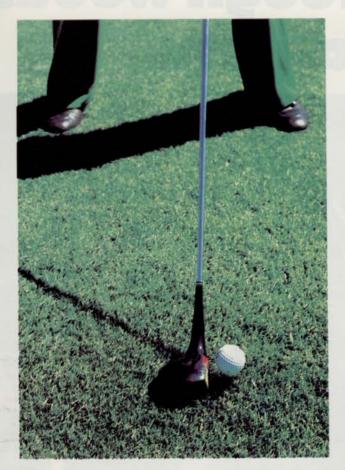
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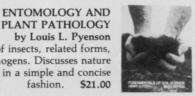
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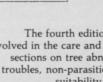
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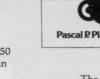
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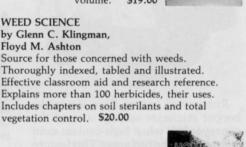
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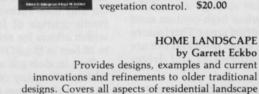
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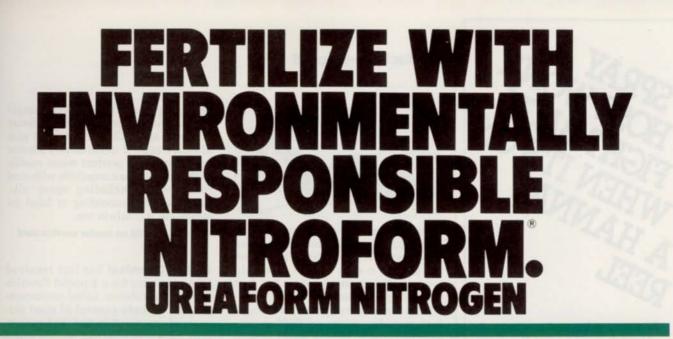
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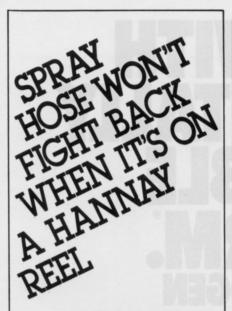
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