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Tuflex uses Briggs & Stratton 5 and 8 horsepower and advises replacement with the same

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Bunton & Goodall equips its mowers with Briggs & Stratton and Tecumseh engines. The company uses a Teledyne Wisconsin diesel with 19 horsepower on one tractor and a Kohler gasoline, 20-horsepower engine on another. "You can swap some engines," says Orville McDonner. "It's about an hour's job."

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FLCRA changes remain top priority

An attempt of the American Sod Producers Association and the American Association of Nurserymen to change the Farm Labor Contractor Registration Act was sidetracked late last year by the refusal of the lame-duck Congress to pass a Congressional pay increase.

The Department of Labor had interpreted the FLCRA as exempting any nurseryman who personally engages in activity "for the purpose of supplying migrant workers for his own operation." The Department held that a corporation cannot "personally engage" and must therefore register as a Farm Labor Contractor.

During April, 1980, various agricultural associations met with the staff of the Senate Labor and Agricultural Committee to work out a solution to the problem. Since the groups involved did not agree unanimously, their effort was unsuccessful.

On December 3, Senator Lawton Chiles (D-Fla.) and Senator David Boren (D-Okla.) led an effort to attach an amendment to the Continuing Appropriations Resolution for fiscal year 1981 which would have prevented the Department of Labor from applying the FLCRA to sod producers and nurserymen. The bill was approved by the Senate 47 to 41.

During the same period, however, the House passed its own version of the Continuing Resolutions bill, which did not contain the FLCRA amendment but included a \$10,000 salary increase for members of Congress. House and Senate conferees attempted to arrive at a compromise final bill, but a deadlock arose because of the Senate's unwillingness to agree on a pay increase. The House, in turn, did not accept any of the amendments which the Senate had attached to its Continuation Resolution, including the FLCRA amendment.

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Tree Foreman Training program, Kent, Ohio, June 1 - 12. Contact Richard Abbott, Davey Environmental Services, 117 S. Water St., Kent. OH 44240, [216] 673-9511.

Plant Maintenance Seminar and Exhibit, Hofstra University, Hempstead, New York, June 2-4. Contact Facility Maintenance Institute, Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY, 11550, (516) 560-3315.

Refresher Course, Cal Poly, San Lui. Obispo, CA, June 2-4. Contact Lanny E. Walker, California Association of Nurserymen, 1419 - 21st Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, 916/448-2881.

Kentucky Cemetery Association Annual Convention, Executive Inn, Louisville, Kentucky, June 5-7. Contact Lewis Tingley, Resthaven Memorial Park, PO Box 18068, Louisville, KY 40218, (502) 491-5950.

Grow Show '81, Albert Thomas Convention Center, Houston, TX, June 8-10. Contact David H. Lindsay, Exposition Manager, P.O. Box 17413, Dulles International Airport, Washington, DC 20041, 703/471-5761.

Texas ISA chapter meeting, Dunfey Dallas Hotel, Dallas, TX, June 11-13. Contact Ervin C. Bundy, Executive Director, 5 Lincoln Square, P.O. Box 71, Urbana, IL 61801, 217/328-2032.

Northern Michigan Turf Managers Association meeting, Cadillac, MI, June 16. Contact C. E. "Tuck" Tate, President, NMTMA, 1147 Santo, Traverse City, MI 49684, 616/947-9274.

Seventh Annual Turf Field Day, University of Massachusetts, South Deerfield Research Station, June 24. Contact Dr. Joseph Troll, University of Massachusetts, Dept. of Plant and Soil Science, Stockbridge Hall, Amherst, MA 01003, 413/545-2353.

Better Lawn & Turf Institute Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, June 30. Contact Robert W. Schery, Director, BLTI, 991 W. 5th Street, Marysville, OH 43040, 513/642-1777.

Northern Michigan Turf Managers Association meeting, Cadillac, MI, July 7. Contact C. E. "Tuck" Tate, President, NMTMA, 1147 Santo, Traverse City, MI 49684, 616/947-9274.

New York State Nurseryman's Association Convention and Trade Show, Onondaga County War Memorial Convention Center, Syracuse, NY, July 7-10. Contact Margaret Herbst, 230 Park Ave., New York, NY 10017, 212/685-4579.

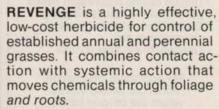
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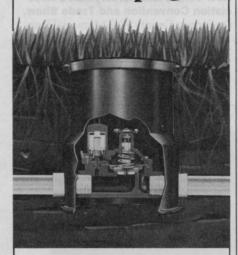
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American Sod Producers Association Summer Convention & Field Days, Hershey Motor Lodge & Convention Center, Hershey, PA, July 15-17. Contact ASPA, Bob Garey, Executive Director 9th & Minnesota, Hastings, NE 68901, 402/463-4683.

American Association of Nurserymen 106th Annual Convention and Trade Show, Stouffer's Cincinnati Towers, July 18-22. Contact AAN, 230 Southern Bldg., Washington, D.C., 20005.

Society of American Florists 1981 Convention, Denver, Colorado, July 29-Aug. 1. Contact SAF, 901 N. Washington St., Alexandria, VA 22314.

American Phytopathological Society Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Aug. 2-6. Contact Steven Nelson, Convention Services, APS, 3340 Pilot Knob Rd., St. Paul, MN 55121, (612) 454-7250.

Illinois Landscape Contractors Association Summer Field Day, D. Hill Nurseries, Union, Illinois, Aug. 5. Contact Lucille Little, 202 W. Main St., PO Box 1049, St. Charles, IL 60174, (312) 584-5770.

International Society of Arboriculture Convention, Boyne Mountain Resort, Boyne Falls, Michigan, Aug. 9-12. Contact E.C. Bundy, ISA, PO Box 71, 5 Lincoln Square, Urbana, IL 61801, (217) 328-2032.

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Sixth Nebraska Turfgrass Field Day and Equipment Show, Aug. 4. Contact Dr. Robert Shearman, University of Nebraska, 377 Plant Science Bldg., Lincoln, NE 68583, 402/472-2550.

International Garden Centre Congress, Disneyland Hotel, Anaheim, CA, Aug. 24-30. Contact Pat Redding, GCA, 230 Southern Bldg., Washington, DC 20005.

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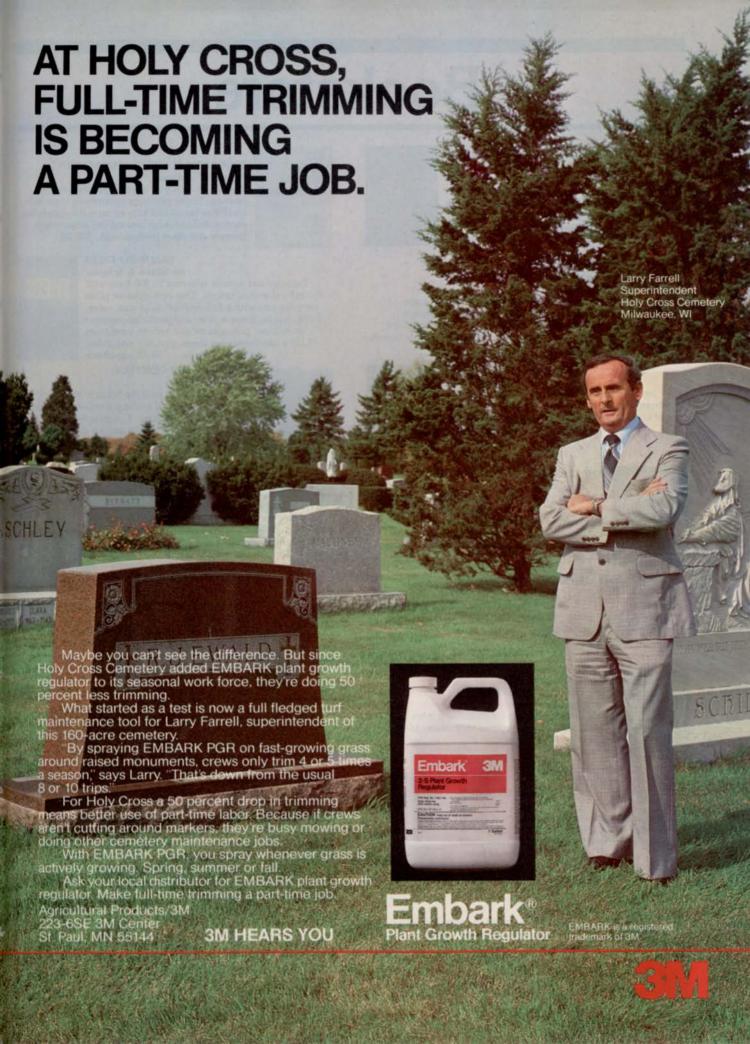
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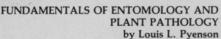


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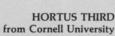




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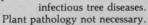


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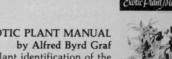




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