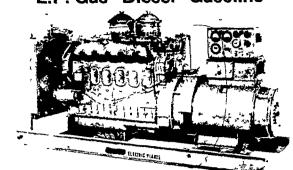
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### Blackspot appearing on roses

MEDIA - The last two weeks of humid, rainy weather provided ideal conditions for the spread of a very common and destructive disease of roses - black spot. Already this season, the symptoms have been seen in far greater number than in previous years.

The first appearance of this disease is the black spots on the green foliage of all types of roses. Later, the leaves

turn yellow and eventually drop-off.

It is important for one to-pick-up these fallen leaves during the Summer and Fall so that the fungus has less material to overwinter on. In addition to picking up fallen, diseased leaves (which should not be put on the compost pile), is is necessary to apply a recommended fungicide (Benomyl or phaltan) at regular intervals of about seven to 10 days.

During periods of heavy rainfall, additional applications may be necessary to stop more rampant spread of this disease. A word for the wise for next year, advise experts, is for one to apply fungicides early in the season and then continue throughout the growing season, as recommended.

### Lacebug control needed

MEDIA - Lacebugs attack many kinds of trees and shrubs. Among the most common are azalea, Pieris, rhododendron, hawthorn and London plane. Feeding by lacebugs on azaleas results in a grayish, stippled or blanced appearance to leaves. The injury is unsightly and plant vitality becomes greatly reduced.

If one sees molasses-like spots of excrement on the lower leaf surfaces, he has a clue to lacebug activity, says experts. Insecticides commonly-used for lacebug control are malathion, carbaryl (Sevin), dimethoate (Cygon or DeFend) and Diazinon. One should be sure to aim your sprayer at the lower leaf surface to get adequate control.

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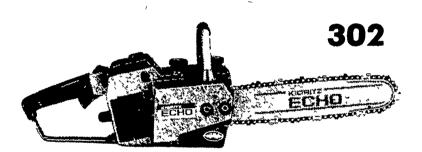
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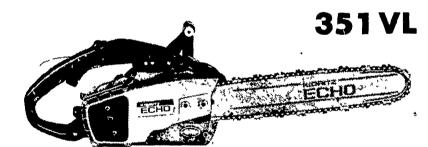
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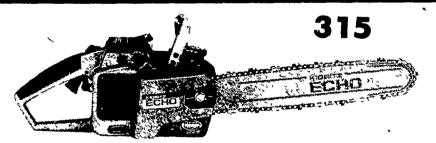
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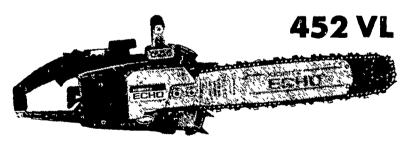


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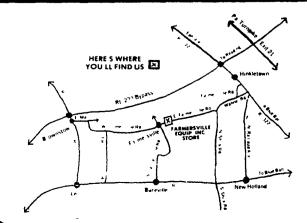
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