

Ida's Notebook

Ida Risser



The fresh flowers, three feet across, were my first impression of elegance. These large units in the Great Hall were magnificent. We used cassettes to tour the special exhibition area which featured the Liechtenstein, Princely Collections. Among the works of art were paintings, sculptures, firearms and porcelains.

A Golden Carriage made in Paris in 1738 was an example of luxurious living. It was made of gilt and painted wood, gilt bronze, steel and fabric. European nobles expressed their power by wearing fancy clothes and driving fancy carriages when they entered cities of their residences. Their horses wore blankets which were richly embroidered.

One section of the museum contained many rooms which depicted various periods of fur-

niture--from Shaker to modern day. Other areas of the buildings had huge Egyptian temples and rooms filled with decorated coffins and jewelry.

I felt that one of the most beautiful exhibits was the costumes worn by men and women of India. The lighting and music added a great deal to the fancy

saris.

On our trip back to Lancaster, we stopped for our evening meal at a Greek restaurant in New Jersey. We were given so much food that almost everyone left with a "doggy bag" in hand. Their desserts and breads were an outstanding feature on their menu. It was good to be home again.

Rock salt may damage sidewalk, plants

NEWARK, Del. — Many people reach for rock salt to rid their walks and driveways of unwanted ice. But this solution poses problems of its own.

"Excessive salt can cause one type of concrete to flake and deteriorate," warns University of Delaware extension agricultural engineer, Dr. Jim Scarborough.

There are two kinds of concrete, he explains. The more expensive type—air entrained concrete—contains millions of tiny bubbles that help it withstand freezing, thawing and salt damage. The other type—non-air entrained concrete—is not protected against these elements.

"The two types look identical at first," says Scarborough. "But after a hard winter or two, you can tell you have air entrained concrete if it's holding up well. The other kind will show signs of flaking and exposed stones."

Salt won't hurt air entrained concrete, but it damages the cheaper type.

Another reason to avoid using rock salt to melt ice is the corrosion it can cause on the finish and aluminum parts of your car. Excessive salt may also damage or even kill plants and shrubs.

Scarborough recommends several ways to minimize the harmful effects of deicing salt. Don't use it as a substitute for shoveling. Remove as much ice and snow as possible before sprinkling lightly with a mixture of salt and sand.

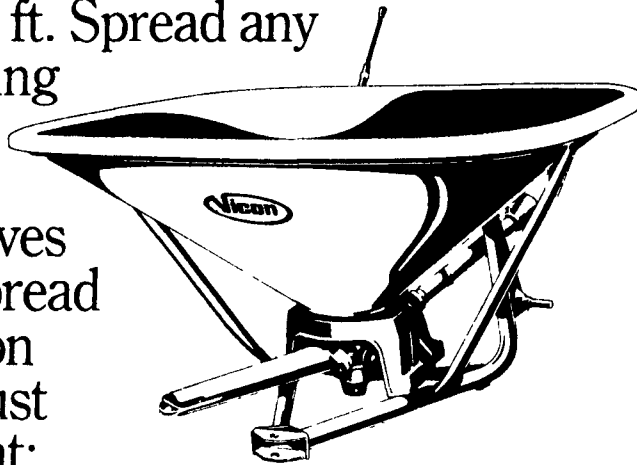
Or, instead of salt, use a mixture of granular urea fertilizer and sand—3 pounds of fertilizer to 100 pounds of sand—to melt the ice. Fertilizer can also damage non-air entrained concrete, but when used in moderate amounts it benefits plants.

If you want traction rather than melting, Scarborough recommends using sawdust, sand or clean cat litter. They won't harm plants, car parts or walks and driveways.



SEEDER/SPREADERS WITH A WIDER RANGE.

Vicon is the only company that can offer you a choice of seven seeder/spreaders with spreading widths ranging from 20 ft. to 45 ft. Spread any granular material including lime, fertilizer, sand or seed. Plus, the unique nylon oscillating spout gives you the most accurate spread imaginable. See the Vicon seeder/spreader that's just right for your operation at:



Penna. Dealers

BURCHFIELDS, INC.
112 S. Railroad St.
Martinsburg, Pa.
814-793-2194

DONALD ERDLEY FARM EQUIP.
RD 1
Lewisburg, Pa.
717-524-2410
717-524-2408 (Eve's)

ERB & HENRY EQUIP. INC.
New Berlinville, Pa.
215-367-2169

HUTTON FARM EQUIPMENT
RD 2
Mahaffey, Pa.
814-277-6647

MELVIN J. SHEFFER, INC.
121 Railroad St.
Hanover, Pa.
717-637-3808

PETERMAN FARM EQUIP., INC.
225 York Road
Carlisle, Pa.
717-249-2150

SCOTTIE SWINGLE
Rd 5
Lake Ariel, Pa.
717-698-6825

STOUFFER BROS.
1066 Lincoln Way West
Chambersburg, Pa.
717-263-8424

SUMMIT SYSTEMS, INC.
Rt. 1
Breezewood, Pa.
814-735-3292
1-800-242-3240

TRIPLE H EQUIPMENT
RD 1 Box 141
Peach Bottom, Pa.
717-548-3775

WATSON'S INC.
Sharon-Mercer Rd.
Sharon, Pa.
412-346-6514

WENNER FORD TRACTOR
Route 202
Concordville, Pa.
215-399-9615

WM. HOBENSACK'S SONS
1066 Greeley Ave
Ivlyland, Pa.
215-675-1610

New Jersey Dealers
BEEMERVILLE EQUIP.
Rd 3, Box 610
Sussex, NJ
201-875-5672

CHERRY VALLEY FORD TRACTOR
Route 70
Marlton, NJ
609-983-0111

NORMAN BRIGHT, INC.
Evergreen Rd.
New Egypt, NJ
609-758-2211

PONIATOWSKI BROS. EQUIP. CO.
Rt. 31
Flemington, NJ
201-782-3541

RODIO TRACTOR SALES, INC.
N. White Horse Pike
Hammonton, NJ
609-561-0141

SCHAPER BROS.
RD 8, Box 270
Bridgeton, NJ
609-455-1640

Maryland Dealers

ELLIOTT EQUIP. & HARDWARE
Rt. 328 & Elliott Rd
Easton, MD
301-822-8866



Products Include Household Molasses, Syrup & Edible Oil

- * BAKING MOLASSES
- * BARBADOS MOLASSES
- * BLACK STRAP MOLASSES
- * PANCAKE SYRUP
- * CORN SYRUP
- * SORGHUM SYRUP
- * TABLE SYRUP
- * HONEY
- * COCONUT OIL
- * CORN OIL
- * SOYBEAN OIL
- * PEANUT OIL
- * SHOO-FLY PIE MIX

If your local store does not have it, contact:

GOOD FOOD INC.

(Food Division Of Zook Molasses Co.)
West Main St., Box 160
Honey Brook, PA 19344
Phone: 215-273-3776
Call toll free in PA: 800-662-7464

Over 50 Years Of Service

Join the **Vicon** revolution

VICON FARM MACHINERY INC P O Box 6313, Chesapeake, VA 23323 • 804/485-1600