

PACKING ADVANCES AND COSTS
Discussion

Experiments with Saxmayer Tying Machine (Answers by C. Cooper)

Question: How does cost of new plastic twine compare to binder twine?

Answer: 290 feet in 30-pound roll for \$0.32/Ld. (Nylon rope used will actually cut costs from approximately \$0.06 to \$0.03 per bundle.)

Question: What is the cost of Saxmayer Tying Machine in use?

Answer: \$1,013.00 delivered to the State of Pennsylvania Nursery.

Question: What type of bundle do you tie?

Answer: Rolled in U-shaped wooden rack, not a jelly roll. However, we are considering jelly roll bundles.

Question: Is it a time saver?

Answer: Much time is saved in tying. It also eliminates blistered hands.

Question: Is tightness controlled by machine?

Answer: Yes , but bundle does not come apart.

Question: How many trees are tied in a bundle by a large tyer?

Answer: Several (20) bundles of 50 trees.

Question: Can a tyer be used to do jelly roll?

Answer: Yes

Question: What is the cost of twine?

Answer: #890 twine costs \$12.00 a roll for 300 feet

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Comments: The big problem in New Jersey is labor, as school boys are paid \$1.82/hour.

Question: What is the cost of printing instructions on paper in New York?

Answer: (Cook) It's not a big item, doesn't show up in these costs. Rubber printing plates cost about \$3.00 each, but are re-usable. A complete set would be about \$100+.

Question: How well does aluminized plastic work?

Answer: ((Terrell) We've used it in New York. It doesn't reflect infrared rays unless it is made with mirror finish. It's too expensive to use for packaging.

Question: Are there any problems in shipping Japanese larch in New York?

Answer: Shipping is done daily as soon as lifting begins. If possible, larch is kept in cool storage until shipped. The problem is generally in transportation, not in nursery practices.

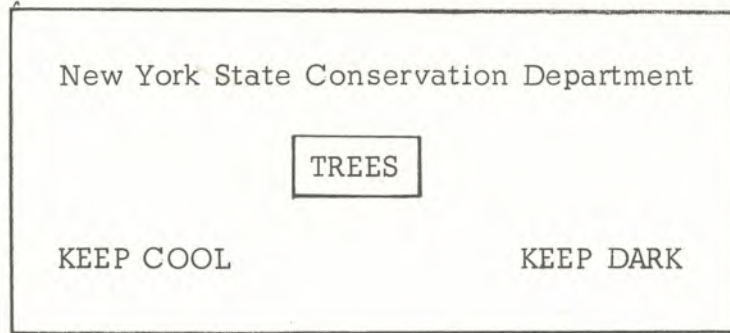
Question: Would fall planting of larch be the answer in New York?

Answer: (Cook) No, not unless the time is perfect. If you can get it out of the nursery and into the ground in 24 hours, it will work.

SPECIFICATIONS FOR ATTACHED SHEET OF WATERPROOF PAPER

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To be printed one side with the following slogan:



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