

WEATHER SEQUENCE

At the beginning of the month a south-west airstream covered New Zealand, and mainly dry weather prevailed in most districts for the first 2 days.

A depression which lay near Tasmania on the 2nd moved south-east and passed to the south of New Zealand on the 3rd. Its associated cold front then moved onto the South Island bringing rain to western areas. On the 4th it became slow-moving over central parts of the South Island and weakened. A small high cell developed in the rear of the front east of Canterbury and moved north-east.

Another depression formed in the western Tasman Sea and passed to the south of New Zealand on the 6th. Its associated cold front moved only very slowly over the south of the South Island giving heavy rain to western areas, especially to South Westland where flooding occurred.

The trough of low pressure then remained in a north-west/south-east position over the Tasman Sea and central parts of the South Island for several days while a ridge of high pressure extended onto the North Island from the east.

On the 9th a shallow trough of low pressure moved onto the north of the North Island where it became slow-moving. Heavy rain fell in the Bay of Plenty on the 9th and 10th and in parts of Northland and the Coromandel Peninsula on the 11th.

An anticyclone which was centred near Tasmania on the 10th moved quickly eastwards and covered much of the country on the 12th and 13th. A depression developed north-west of the North Island on the 14th and moved slowly south-south-east, while

pressures remained high south of the country. As the depression approached the North Island rain fell in many districts of the North Island and the northern half of the South Island. The anticyclone south-east of Tasmania started to move east-north-east on the 16th and lay near the Chatham Islands on the 18th.

A second depression formed in the north-west Tasman Sea and lay west of Northland on the 18th when heavy rain fell in Northland and Auckland spreading to Bay of Plenty on the 19th. The rain became more widespread on the 20th, with heaviest falls in Bay of Plenty, southern Hawkes Bay, Wairarapa, the Kaikoura Coast, and North Canterbury. Rain continued to fall in many districts up to the 23rd.

No appreciable rain fell over most of the country from the 24th to the 26th.

On the morning of the 28th a cold front moved onto the South Island accompanied by rain mainly west of the Alps. A depression developed on the front west of Bulls on the 29th while at the same time an intense anticyclone near Tasmania extended a ridge to the east of the South Island. This depression moved across the North Island on the 30th, and a very complex low pressure system formed to the east and north-east of the North Island as a new depression of tropical origin moved into the area. Storm force southerly winds were experienced in Cook Strait on the 30th and 31st, and gale force winds with widespread rain affected coastal areas of Marlborough, Wellington, Wairarapa, and Hawkes Bay.

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J. S. HICKMAN, Director.

Withdrawals of Applications for a Grant of Plant Selectors' Rights (Notice No. 2140, Ag. PV 3/2)

PURSUANT to section 13 (2) of the Plant Varieties Act 1973, notice is hereby given that the applications for grants of plant selectors' rights, specified in the Schedule hereto, have been withdrawn by the applicants.

SCHEDULE

SPECIES: ROSE (*Rosa L.*)

Name and Address of Applicant	Date of Application	Date of Withdrawal	Denomination
Avenue Nurseries Ltd., Avenue North, Levin, <i>as agent for</i> E. B. Le Grice, North Wolsham, Norfolk, England	21/5/76	18/4/78	Legpin
Avenue Nurseries Ltd., Avenue North, Levin, <i>as agent for</i> W. Kordes Sohne, Sparrieshoop, West Germany	21/5/76	2/4/77	Fantasia
Duncan and Davies Ltd., P.O. Box 340, New Plymouth, <i>as agent for</i> Universal Rose Selection-Meilland, Cap D'Antibes, France	14/12/76	21/7/78	Climbing Rusticana
Duncan and Davies Ltd., P.O. Box 340, New Plymouth, <i>as agent for</i> Universal Rose Selection-Meilland, Cap D'Antibes, France	14/12/76	21/7/78	Marmalade
Avenue Nurseries Ltd., Avenue North, Levin, <i>as agent for</i> M. Tantau, Uetersen, West Germany	12/5/77	16/6/78	Tancary
Avenue Nurseries Ltd., Avenue North, Levin, <i>as agent for</i> W. Kordes, Sparrieshoop, West Germany	12/5/77	16/6/78	Firelight
Avenue Nurseries Ltd., Avenue North, Levin, <i>as agent for</i> M. Tantau, Uetersen, West Germany	12/5/77	16/6/78	Micmac
New Zealand Nurseries Ltd., P.O. Box 340, New Plymouth, <i>as agent for</i> Dr David L. Armstrong, care of Armstrong Nurseries Inc., Ontario, California, U.S.A.	4/11/77	30/5/78	Allspice

Dated at Wellington this 1st day of May 1979.

T. E. NORRIS, Registrar of Plant Varieties.

Designation of High Priority Activities

FOR the purposes of section 2a (1) (e) of the Commerce Act 1975, and in relation to the economic policy of the Government as transmitted thereunder to the Commerce Commission on 29 December 1977, and for the purposes of regulations 3 (4) of the Stabilisation of Prices Regulations 1974*, the Secretary of Trade and Industry and the Secretary to the Treasury hereby designate the manufacture or supply of the following classes or descriptions of goods or services, by the persons named hereunder, to be high priority activities:

HPS Code No.	Name of Manufacturer or Supplier of Services	Class or Description of Goods or Services
045	Tasman Pulp and Paper Co. Ltd.	Production of unbleached, semi-bleached, and fully bleached pulp excluding 20 000 tonnes per annum of unbleached pulp which is sold to Australian Newsprint Mills Ltd.
046	Image Printing Ltd.	Manufacture of acetate greeting cards.
047	Woolyarns Ltd.	Production of shetland and reclaim woollen yarns.
048	Saxpack Foods Ltd.	Production of processed frozen corn on the cob.
049	Wormald International Sensory Aids Ltd.	Manufacture of sonar sensory aids comprising models Sonicguide and Mowat Sensor.
050	Southern Cross Leathers Ltd.	Tanning bovine hides to the wet blue stage.

Dated at Wellington this 6th day of April 1979.

J. W. H. CLARK, Secretary of Trade and Industry.
N. V. LOUGH, Secretary to the Treasury.

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