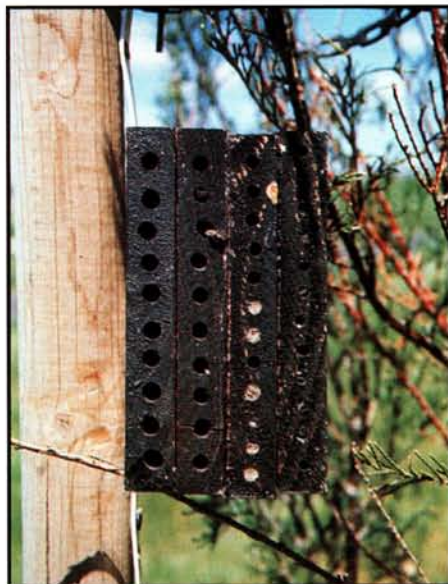


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Trees have inspired poetry . . .  
and can cause a considerable  
amount of trouble for golf  
course superintendents.

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Sometimes the stump of a tree removed for agronomic reasons can be put to artistic use on the golf course. For more about dealing with trees, see page 1.



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