

micro-organisms are enlisted. Their effect on hatching, root penetration and development of cyst nematodes have also been studied in-depth. Fungal biology and cyst pathology are narrated well.

The book is well printed with good photographs and the diagrams are neatly drawn. It is a must for

any nematologist. All libraries should possess this book.

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NEWS

A 'NOBEL' FOR ENGINEERS

Nominations are now open for a new engineering award, the National Academy of Engineering announced last month. It will present \$350,000 next year for the recent engineering and technology achievement with the most impact on everyday life. The prize, to be awarded in October 1989, will be the first from a fund endowed by the Charles Stark Draper Laboratory. To stress the award's prestige, its value was intentionally set to equal the Nobel Prize, says academy official Alexander Flax. Like the Swedish honor, the biennial award will also include a gold medal.

Flax gives examples of the sort of work the 13-member selection committee would consider important: the inventions of radio, the light bulb, fiber optics, and the computer chip. "Draper himself would have been a good choice," says Flax. Draper, who died in 1987, invented the inertial guidance system used by virtually all aircraft today. (*The Scientist*, Vol. 2, No. 21, p.19; November 14, 1988; published by Institute for Scientific Information Inc., '3501 Market Street, Philadelphia PA 19104).