

The Association's first turfgrass symposium will be held as previously announced on the 4th October at Ipswich.

The Speakers and Panel are as follows:

## Chairman:

Geo. McPartlin, O.B.E.

#### Speakers:

Dr. A. N. Ede,
Land & Water Management.
J. R. Escritt, M.Sc.,
Director, The Sports Turf Research Institute.
G. G. Fisher, B.Sc.,
Cambridge Soil Services.
R. W. Sitwell,
Watermation Limited.
T. Mascaro,
The Hahn Company, U.S.A.
H. Swan, B.Sc.Hons.,
Golf Landscapes Ltd.

# **Panel Members:**

- R. Mitchell, Immediate Past President, Golf Course Superintendents Association of America.
- D. Gourlay, President, Canadian Golf Superintendents Association.
- I. Scoones, Chairman, British Golf Greenkeepers Association.

- J. K. Campbell, Links Supervisor, St. Andrews.
- J. K. Glass, Thorpe Hall Golf Club.
- L. Millar, Burnham & Berrow Golf Club.
- Geo. Wilson, Le Prieuré, Paris.
- F. W. Hawtree, Vice-President, B.G.G.A.

## At Last !

We reproduce a letter from the Royal & Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews which was addressed to: ALL GOLF SHOE MANUFACTURERS.

### Damage by Golf Spikes

For some time now my Committee and many National Unions in this country and overseas have been concerned at the damage being caused to putting greens by golf spikes which have been becoming progressively longer over the years.

My Committee is aware of the fact that there are various types and designs of golf spike and that some cause greater damage than others. Although it is not feasible to legislate for spike specifications in the Rules of Golf, my Committee would like to take this opportunity to appeal to all Golf Shoe Manufacturers to take steps to ensure that they only produce those types of spike which cause the minimum of damage to the putting green.

> W. N. B. Loudon, Secretary, Rules of Golf Committee.

