600 Persons Attend 3-Day Midwest Regional Meeting

Nearly 600 persons attended the 26th Midwest Regional turf conference held Mar. 4-6 at Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind. Theme of the three-day gathering was “Basic Principles” with emphasis on weed control, disease and fertility technology.

Speakers and the subjects they discussed:
- Fred V. Grau - Residual supplies of nitrogen in turf rootzones;
- S. A. Barber - Diffusion of phosphorus in the rootzone;
- W. L. Nelson - Adequacy of potash;
- Ray Keen - Bermuda progress in sandy areas;
- and Tom Mascaro - Your opportunities as a salesman.

Zoysia Research Report

Purdue graduate students, C. W. Lobenstein, W. C. LeCroy and Charles Berry, reported on their research with zoysia grass. W. H. Daniel, Purdue agronomist and conference coordinator, announced that interstate certification of Evansville bent is expected soon and that there probably will be limited supplies of stolons of this grass for sale this fall.

Three scholarships were awarded at the conference. GCAS grants went to Robert Scobee and Tom Neidlinger and Dave Weisenberger received the Mueller Sod scholarship.

Newly elected officers of the Midwest Regional turf group are Stephen L. Frazier, supt., Woodland CC, Carmel, Ind., president; Richard Kennedy, Upjohn Co., vp; and G. O. Mott, treasurer. Bill Daniel continues as executive secretary.

Club Plans Awards for Holes-in-One

The National Hole-in-One Club of America, 3551 Charleswood ave., Memphis 22, Tenn., has been organized in recent months to bring recognition to persons who have scored aces. This will be in the form of a 10K gold pin for men to wear on their lapels, along with a matching gold medallion for golf bags. The pin and medallions are engraved with a gold ball mounted on the letter “H.” For women, the pin is available for either a necklace or bracelet.

Besides the above awards, persons scoring aces will be given identification cards on which all particulars will be recorded. NHOCA is planning to publish an annual booklet listing the names of persons who have scored aces along with the pertinent details.

The club is a non-profit organization. Awards will be made after applications are thoroughly investigated. Applications should be mailed to the Memphis address.

Horticulture Seminars

University of California’s agricultural extension department will hold afternoon and evening sessions on the irrigation of turf and ornamental plants, April 17 in Elysian Park in Los Angeles. Speakers will be Wayne Morgan and Dick Maire. This will be the fifth in a series of horticulture seminars conducted by the department in recent weeks.

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