by disease. But much remains to be done in this area, Goetz concluded.

More Grass, More Parasites

Turf diseases, observed Charles J. Gould, actually seem to be on the upswing. It may be partly because more of them are now being recognized. But probably more than this, it is due to an actual increase and spread of various parasites as larger areas are planted in grass. What is behind all this? Some experts, said Gould, blame it on overfertilizing; others say it is because of lack of nutrition. It is known that too much nitrogen gives rise to at least two diseases. On the other hand, lack of it, encourages two others.

Feeding practices, the Washington pathologist concluded, undoubtedly are contributing causes. But some turfmen lose sight of the fact that faulty fungicide treatments may be the real culprits. It isn’t enough to make mere applications. The supt. has to be sure he is using the right antidote at the correct rate. He also has to be sure that he is making regularly scheduled treatments and covering all and not just part of the stricken areas.

Summary Was Concise

The formidable task of summing up what had been said in the seven San Diego sessions was entrusted to James L. Holmes, the USGA’s Midwest agronomist and noted nematode fancier. James L. applied himself heroically to the assignment and neatly capsuled just about all the pertinent points that had been made. Probably the most remarkable thing about his wrap-up of the conference proceedings was that he got it in in two minutes less than the time that had been allotted him.

Heads Bay Area CMAA

John Paul Jones, manager of the California GC, San Francisco, was recently elected president of the San Francisco and Bay Area chapter of the CMAA. Other officers are Joseph E. Castillo, Peninsula G & CC, San Mateo, vp, and F. H. Bishop, Olympic Club, San Francisco, sec.-treas.

Florida Turf Conference

Second annual turf conference and trade show of the Florida Turfgrass Assn. will be held May 2-4 in the Seville Hotel, Miami Beach. Demonstrations of equipment and inspections of experimental plots are scheduled for the Plantation Field Lab in Ft. Lauderdale from the 2nd through the 4th.

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