Agri-Systems of Texas Inc., Bryan, Texas recently announced the appointment of W. Wayne Allen as president and general manager. The organization provides agricultural consultation, with a large number of scientists as associates. Many people involved with golf green construction use the services rendered by the ASTI laboratory.

After three years with the U. S. Golf Association Green Section, where he served as Southwestern Agronomist, Allen accepted a National Defense Fellowship and returned to graduate school to work on the Ph.D. degree. He will receive the degree in June. His research has dealt with turfgrass problems.

Mr. Allen is available for consultation services and is also coordinating the various consulting engagements in which ASTI is involved.

Marvin E. Simpson, sales engineer for Flintite asbestos-cement pipe, has been named to service the Indiana-Illinois territory. His headquarters are at 132 E. Navajo St., West Lafayette, Indiana.

Prior to his new assignment, Simpson represented Flintite pipe in Western Ohio.

The flintite pipe line, produced by Orangeburg Division of The Flintkote Company, includes pressure pipes for water lines and force mains, gravity sewer, building sewer and irrigation pipe.

The appointment of H. Paul Bennett as director of national accounts for American Mat Corporation, Wapakoneta, Ohio, was announced recently by Harlan L. Lee, president.

Bennett, who has had 30 years' experience in floor matting manufacturing and sales, will handle the complete line of vinyl, rubber, composition, steel and wood products.

Walter C. Davidson, vice president—sales, Harley-Davidson Motor Co., has announced the appointment of Ray Mitchell as district manager.

Mitchell, a 30-year-old married man from Chillicothe, Ohio, was previously employed by Montgomery Ward & Company as a store manager. Ray has also been with the Mead Corporation as a service representative, and with the A. B. Dick Company in various capacities. He is a 1959 graduate of Eastern Kentucky State College with a Bachelor of Science degree in Commerce.

Cushman Motors, a Lincoln, Nebraska division of Outboard Marine Corporation, has announced the appointment of Jim E. Allio to the position of district manager. He will coordinate sales and service activity with factory authorized dealers in New York, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island and Maine. Cushman is a leading golf car and utility vehicle manufacturer.

For the past seven years, Allio has lived in Omaha, Nebraska. He has been employed as a salesman for the American Sterilizer Company and the hospital division of Johnson & Johnson.

He attended the University of New Mexico and was graduated from Allegheny College, Meadville, Pennsylvania, with a bachelor of arts degree in 1957.

Allio, his wife, Ruth, and their four children, will live in Albany, N. Y.
D. N. Rickles, Ph. D. has been appointed Director of Research and Engineering, Terra-Green Division, Oil-Dri Corporation of America, Chicago, it was announced by Richard Jaffee, president.

Dr. Rickles, a consultant to the firm for many years, brings to his new position an extensive background in industrial chemistry. He obtained his B.S. and M.A. degrees in chemical engineering from the University of Washington and completed his doctorate in chemistry at the University of Chicago. From 1957 through '61, he served as a member of the advisory committee on saline water conversion under former President Eisenhower. As director of research and engineering, his responsibilities will include product testing quality controls.

The appointment of Dr. M. J. Sloan as manager of research and development of the agricultural chemicals division of Shell Chemical Company heads a series of organizational changes and staff appointments announced by K. R. Fitzsimmons, division general manager.

Dr. Sloan, formerly manager of the Midwest district, fills the post held by Fitzsimmons before he became general manager.

Fitzsimmons also announced creation of the position of marketing manager, to be filled by J. J. Lawler, who has been sales manager for several years. D. H. Walbolt, who has been on special assignment in the company's head office administrative services department, succeeds Lawler as sales manager.