GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENTS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA 50th Internation Turfgrass Conference and Show, Atlanta, Georgia

Northern California was represented in Atlanta at the GCSA of America Conference by a large group of superintendents, their wives and several Class F members.

H. V Carter Company was presented by Jacobsen Manufacturing Company the dealer of the year award. Congratulations to Bert Graves and Jack Baker and staff.

President Bob Livesey was the voting delegate and attended the meetings which pertained to this function. Those elected include Charles Tadge, President; Mel Lucas, Vice President and Mike Bavier and Ed Dembnicki Directors. Lou Haines was reappointed secretary-treasurer for the 3rd term. David Holler, Rich Eichner, Jim Wyllie remained on the board as Directors and George Cleaver is Past President.

The educational sessions were very informative and the equipment show was really big. It was difficult to find time to view all the equipment. Center of interest seemed to be the hydraulic Toro and Jacobsen fairway mowers and the computerized irrigation equipment. Every conceivable piece of equipment, chemical and fertilizer was on display. Factory representatives were eager to discuss problems and suggestions for improving their equipment. A complaint to the right person really gets results.

Dick Viergever and George Santana attending the tournament. No scores were announced. Anyone interested contact them.

From all reports the ladies program was good. It offered a variety of tours which included an opportunity to view some of the old southern mansions. Optional tours included Stone Mountain Park and a visit to the Cyclorama. Both displayed some history of the South. Atlanta weather left something to be desired although one could be in an ice storm one day, snow, rain, sleet and even a little sun on other days.

No one can question the value of attending the GCSA of America annual conference with the selection of educational sessions, the opportunity to see all the equipment and supplies in the exhibit and opportunity to exchange ideas with golf course superintendents from the United States and 13 foreign countries. The 6,000 who attended were well rewarded for being there.