**15th Annual Calif. Weed Control Meet**

**Set for Jan. 22-24; Has Short Course**

Special feature of the 15th Annual California Weed Conference will be a short course led by W. A. Harvey, extension weed control specialist with the University of California, Wednesday morning, second day of the annual meeting.

The 3-day convention will be held at the Miramar Hotel, Santa Barbara, January 22-24.

John Smith, of the California Division of Highways in Los Angeles, will review weed control in ornamentals, and Bill Hopkins, Best Fertilizer Co., Woodland, reports on selective weed control in ornamental ground covers.

A progress report on grass suppression will be given by Jack P. Corkins, Naugatuck Chemical Co., Porterville. Dr. Victor Younger, from the University of California, will survey control of annual weeds in turf. Control of perennial weeds in turf will be examined by Wayne Morgan, farm advisor, Los Angeles.

Ray Gieberger, Santa Barbara farm advisor, chairs the first afternoon session of the short course.

A progress report on U. S. weed control programs will be given by Dr. Warren Shaw, Agricultural Research Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Beltsville, Md. Dr. Shaw is president of the Weed Society of America.

Sodium arsenite will receive a two-part study. John Hills, State Department of Agriculture, Sacramento, will review sodium arsenite regulations, while W. B. McHenry, University of California in Davis, will describe some of the more common and more practical substitutes for the compound.

Wednesday evening Charles Hansen, Aloe Chemical Co., Artesia, heads the session on new products for weed control. CAs attending will get a glimpse of many of next year's chemicals, *Weeds and Turf* was told.

Two sessions of particular interest to CAs the last day of the conference, Jan. 24, are the discussion on aquatic weed problems by Don Seaman and Richard Yeo, both from the Botany Department of the University of California, and J. D. Hortingh's survey of utility right-of-way brush control. Hortingh is with the Pacific Gas & Electric Co., San Francisco.

Conference is open to all interested CAs. For more information write Vincent H. Schweers, P.O. Box 990, Visalia, Calif.

**Horsfall Receives Merit Award**

Dr. James G. Horsfall, director of the Conn. Agricultural Experiment Station, is the first recipient of an award in plant pathology created by the Northeastern Division of the American Phytopathological Society.

A contributor to the development of several new fungicides for control of plant diseases, and a pioneer in plant chemotherapy, Dr. Horsfall was honored for “exceptionally meritorious contributions in plant pathology” at the annual meeting of the society recently.

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**Southern Weedmen Plan Jan. 16-18 Meet;**

**Focus on Bermudagrass and Crabgrass**

“Disan is a promising new herbicide for use in turf weed control,” Dr. C. L. Dewald of the Agricultural Research and Development Laboratories in Mountain View, Calif., relates. Dr. Dewald will report on several experiments with the new spray at the Southern Weed Conference, set for Jan. 16-18 at the Admiral Semmes Hotel in Mobile, Ala.

Cooperating with Dr. Dewald in the study and report are Dr. L. W. Fincher, of the Richmond (Calif.) Research and Development Laboratories, and Dr. B. H. Lake, who works with Dr. Dewald at Mountain View.

Areas of major importance to CAs will be focused on by conference speakers. W. M. Lewis and Glenn C. Klingman, both from the Department of Crop Science at North Carolina State College, will deliver a joint paper on three evaluation methods for taking weed control data in Bermudagrass turf.

Control of crabgrass and dallisgrass in narrow turf will be examined by Jack T. Thompson and W. S. Hardecastle of the Georgia Experiment Station.

Weed control in agronomic crops, including turf, is under the direction of R. J. Smith, of Rice Branch Experiment Station.

D. C. Francisco, from the Tennessee Valley Authority, heads the committee investigating weed control in utilities, railroads, highway rights-of-way, and in industrial sites.

Look into control of aquatic weeds and special weed problems will be directed by R. D. Blackburn, of the Plantation Field Department, USDA, in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

More than 500 research and education workers, representing city, state, and federal agencies, as well as chemical companies and other interested persons from 12 southern states, are expected to attend the meeting.

Several sections of the conference will be of special interest to contract applicators.