

The 36th International Turf Grass Conference and Show of the Golf Course Superintendents' Association of America took place at the Sheraton Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio, on 7th to 12th February. More than 40 speakers took part in the six education assemblies and more than 33,000 square feet were devoted to the Association's "Greatest Show on Turf" in the hotel's exhibit hall. The area was taken up by a record number of 97 commercial firms and attendance was close on the 3,000 mark.

The National Association of Groundsmen announce that the Groundsmen's Field Day will be held on Wednesday, 7th April 1965, at University of London Athletic Grounds, Motspur Park, New Malden, Surrey (by kind permission of the University of London). Demonstrations will cover Renovation of Winter Playing Fields, including the first full scale working demonstration of the "Contravator" and Lospred seed sower. A demonstration of drainage work, trenching, pipe-laying and use of the new plastic drain. Spreading of top dressings. Demonstration of New Machines and recent introductions also Machines for special jobs — Trulute, etc.

Messrs Hargreaves have added two more useful machines to their wide range. The "Contravator"\* which is basically a tougher, wider application of the Rotorake principle tilths a surface with minimum disturbance while the "Lospred"\* immediately behind measures grass seed with extreme accuracy and sows it at once in the prepared ground. It is expected that lower seed rates can be employed and the Contravator and Lospred in tandem will have many uses in speeding up constructional and renovation jobs.

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