39TH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL TURFGRASS CONFERENCE AND SHOW

Over 40 leading superintendents, scientists and educators will address the 39th Annual International Turfgrass Conference and Show of the Golf Course Superintendents' Association of America. The Conference will be held from 18th to 23rd February 1968 at the Hilton Hotel in San Francisco.

The theme for this year's conference is: "What's New . . . And How To Use It", as applied to golf course maintenance.

On the opening day, papers will be presented on "Golf Course Beautification" including a review of other golf course sports facilities such as swimming pools tennis courts and curling. Other papers will cover "Water Usage", "Tree Roots and Putting Greens" and "Light Studies on Vegetative Growth".

On Tuesday morning, the "Greatest Show on Turf" will be formally opened by GCSAA President Walter Boysen, superintendent of Sequoyah Country Club in Oakland, California. Over 100 exhibitors will display and demonstrate the latest in equipment, materials and supplies to help the superintendent provide even better turf for today's golfer.

On Tuesday afternoon, the educational session will discuss advancing technology in the chemical industry and proper chemical application in turfgrass management.

Wednesday morning will be devoted to clinics on public golf course operation and demonstrations of small engines. Last year, actual working clinics proved so successful that the GCSAA will devote an entire morning this year to the operation and maintenance of small machines. Wednesday afternoon, the GCSAA will hold its annual business meeting and election of officers for 1968.

Thursday's educational assemblies will feature "The Putting Green" presented by United States Golf Association Green Section agronomists, and, in a concurrent education session, "Irrigation of Golf Courses", which will include talk on the need to irrigate, types of systems, system plans and installations, sprinklers, pipe, controls, pump stations, programming, and maintenance. "The Putting Green" session will discuss putting green design, putting green construction, grasses for putting greens, turf establishment and maintenance of greens.

The 7th educational assembly on Friday will discuss golf turf in general, salinity of soils, helicopter spraying techniques and maintenance building design.

Last year, over 3,300 people attended the Conference in Washington, D.C. Based on the growth in the golf industry in the past 12 months GCSAA expects a new record attendance at San Francisco.

The British Golf Greenkeeper's Editor will be attending this conference and will be writing about it in the April issue.



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