

General Turf, West Faculty, Chairman—Ben Warren.

Who Knows What Grass Is?—L. C. Grove, Garden Editor, Better Homes and Gardens Magazine, Des Moines, Iowa.

Sales and Service to Homeowners—A. Linkogel, Sr., Link's Nursery, Creve Coeur, Missouri.

Work Simplification—Dr. C. French.

Crabgrass Control—Dr. G. C. Nutter.

Golf Courses, South Ballroom, Chairman—R. Phillips, Supt. Louisville Country Club, Louisville, Kentucky.

Nitrogen Materials and Their Utilization—Dr. F. V. Grau, Dr. D. Kolterman, C. Wilson, C. W. Stewart.

Mechanical Bentgrass Maintenance—Dr. M. H. Ferguson.

Crabgrass Control—N. R. Goetze.

11:55 A.M.—Close of Conference.



In the picture are, Bob Williams, Vice-President Richard Nixon and L. R. Shields.

VICE PRESIDENT NIXON ADDRESSES SUPERINTENDENTS

Vice President Richard M. Nixon thrilled and delighted us all with his appearance and address at our Get-Acquainted hour at the Shoreham Hotel in Washington. In his address Mr. Nixon remarked, "I keep hearing golfers complaining that certain courses are no good because they aren't tough enough. Well, if the toughness determines how good a golf course is, I can say I've never played a bad one yet. I've been reading about the several proposals you superintendents have under consideration. The scheme that interests me most is the one to air condition golf courses so that we could play the year around in Washington. I'll admit to some prejudice, being a Californian, even though I didn't become a regular golfer until I came here in 1951. I guess it's just a case of the grass growing greener elsewhere. If any of you know of a grass that will grow in Washington's summer heat, please let them know at Burning Tree Club."

Burning Tree is where Mr. Nixon and Mr. Eisenhower generally play.

He pointed out that superintendents get blamed for everything from a lost ball to a lost temper.

"When you're disgusted, just remember this—it took me four years to break 100. However, I broke 85 within the last year."

Mr. Nixon said that he has played most courses in this area, is now an 11-handicap player with about an 84 average and plays about once a week during the season.

He recalled playing in bad luck and a veteran of 40 years in golf consoled him with, "Just remember—when you're out in the golf courses of America you're seeing the most beautiful real estate in America."

"I only hope you can continue to pay the taxes on them," Mr. Nixon concluded.

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