Moncrief Received Green Section Award

James B. Moncrief, who has served the United States Golf Association with turfgrass expertise for nearly three decades, received the 1986 Green Section Award.

The award has been presented by the USGA annually since 1961 in recognition of distinguished service to golf through work with turfgrass.

The award was presented to Moncrief Feb. 3 at the Green Section Educational Conference, which was held in conjunction with the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America Conference in San Francisco.

Moncrief, of Athens, Ga., joined the USGA Green Section in February 1957 as an agronomist in the Southeastern Region. He served in that capacity for three years before being named Director of the Region.

During his 22 years as Director of the Southeastern Region, he traveled extensively to conduct turfgrass consultations, visiting the seven states in the Region as well as Bermuda, the Bahamas, Mexico and South America.

Moncrief also developed Tifdwarf bermuda grass, the finest leafed bermuda grass available in the world today.

He retired as Director of the Southeastern Region in 1982 and has since served as a member of the USGA Turfgrass Research Committee.

He is a previous recipient of the prestigious A.W. Crain Diamond Award from the Texas Turfgrass Association and an inductee into the Oklahoma Turfgrass Research Foundation Hall of Fame. He is a member of the Certified Professional Agronomists and the American Society of Agronomy.

