pose, and the board feels that if the members understand the purpose of this fund, they will contribute a sufficient amount to cover the annual cost.

The board requests the membership of the club to contribute to whatever extent they wish for that purpose, making use of the enclosed contribution card, the amount of which will be charged to each member's house account.

Yours very truly,
Westchester Country Club,
George F. Breen, Pres.
J. A. McHugh, Secv.

# Seven Golf Groups Plan Massachusetts Conference

FOURTEENTH annual golf course maintenance conference at Massachusetts State College will be held March 15-17. Cooperating in the planning of this conference are the GSA, PGA, the Greenkeepers Club of N. E., N. J. Assn. of Golf Course Supts., Conn. Assn. of GCS, R. I. Greenkeepers Assn. and the Northeastern N. Y. Greenkeepers Assn. Theme for the conference is "The Greenkeeping Superintendent as a Professional Man." Previews of the program have brought very favorable comment and an expression of opinion by qualified experts that the offerings will be the best ever.

Sessions will be held Friday and Saturday, March 15-16, in the morning, afternoon and evening. The annual banquet, with the only comment from MSC officials being, "food too good to miss, program too varied to print, and too interesting to preview," will be held in Draper Hall on the MSC campus Saturday evening. The annual "Experts on Trial" will be held Sunday in MSC's Stockbridge Hall. "Chief Justice" Howard B. Sprague and "eight old men" will hand down judgment on particular golf course problems. As per the national example, there will be "new faces on the bench."

#### Speakers Are Listed

Included on the speaking program are John L. Counsell, president, Greenkeepers Club of N. E.; Robert Trent Jones, New York City, golf architect; Richard L. Jackson, Ridgefield, Conn.; Ralph T. King, director, Roosevelt Wildlife Experiment Station, Syracuse, N. Y.; PGA president Tom Walsh; O. J. Noer, Milwaukee Sewerage Commission; Robert Smith, Newington, Conn.; Dr. Hugh P. Baker, president, MSC; Howard B. Sprague, N. J. Experiment Station, New Brunswick, N. J.;

Roland Verbeck, director of short courses, and Lawrence S. Dickinson, prof. of agrostology at MSC. Prof. Dickinson is in active charge of the conference.

## SHORT COURSE DATA

### Iowa State

I OWA State College, with the cooperation of the Iowa Greenkeepers' Assn., will present its 9th annual two-day short course, March 5-6. The talks and discussions will be practical in nature and will deal with means of providing the best turf at lowest cost.

Speakers at the conference include Dr. John Monteith, Jr., USGA Green Section; James Tyson, Michigan State College; Joe Benson, president, Iowa Greenkeepers' Assn.; C. G. Yarn, vice-pres. of the Iowa group; Bill Keating, supt. Des Moines G&CC; C. D. Decker, B. S. Pickett, and S. W. Edgecombe of the Iowa State College staff.

A fee of \$1.00 will be charged to help defray expenses of the conference, and anyone interested in fine turf problems is eligible for registration. Annual green-keepers banquet will be held at the Sheldon-Munn hotel Tuesday night, March 5. S. W. Edgecombe, Extension Horticulturist at ISC, is in charge of the conference.

## Michigan State

A NNUAL greenkeeping short course at Michigan State College will be held March 7-8. Subjects for study and discussion include: nature and properties of soils, fertilization, insect control, turf diseases, and study of various grasses. James Tyson, who is in charge of greenkeeping research at MSC, is directing the educational program of the conference.

#### Wisconsin

UNIVERSITY of Wisconsin's short course for greenkeepers will be held March 11-13. Prof. James G. Moore of the university's horticultural department will again act as director of the conference. Sponsorship is by the Wisconsin and Midwest Greenkeepers associations. Full information may be secured by writing Prof. Moore, care of Horticultural Bldg., Madison, or by writing the secretaries of the Wisconsin or Midwest greenkeeper groups.