

grow turf, whether on golf course, home lawn, athletic field, park or cemetery. A three unit Aerifier gang equipped with new  $\frac{3}{4}$ " diameter spoons was given a thorough trial at the Spring Mill course and the power model Aerifier had been used on four



Group attending Phila. Turf Field Day study disease control plots at Spring Mill Course, Phila. CC where Marshall Farnham is supt.



Fifteen different strains of bent grass are shown group interested in turf management at Rutgers Univ. during New Jersey Field Day.

greens. The consensus this season was to loosen the soil to get stronger roots and the West Point Lawn Products' Aerifiers do the job well.

Following the field meeting the group moved to Manufacturers CC for dinner and entertainment. T. L. Gustin of the Philadelphia Toro Company was host.

### Economy Session Feature of Green Section Conference

Oct. 16 evening session of the USGA Green section annual turf conference and field demonstrations to be held at the Beltsville turf experiment station outside Washington, D.C., Oct. 15, 16, 17, certainly will be correctly timed as it's to be devoted to "Economies in Turf Maintenance."

The program will be handled by a great array of practical specialists who ought to be able to give the right answers to golf club superintendents and green-chairmen

who want to have highest standards of course maintenance as well as sane economy. These experts also will work with the USGA Green Section staff and others in handling the various sections of the "Questions and Answers" procedure which is stacking up heavy as the Green Section is receiving responses to its invitations to member clubs to submit their turf problems for consideration.

The departments and assigned specialists in the "Economies in Turf Maintenance" session:

**Water Usage, Chairman:** H. B. Musser, Pennsylvania State College, State College, Pa.; J. R. Watson, Jr., Texas A & M College, College Station, Texas; R. Hagan, University of California, Davis, California; William Daniel, Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana; Don Likes, Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana.

**Seed Usage, Chairman:** A. E. Rabbitt, Bureau of Aeronautics, Navy Department, Washington, D.C.; J. A. DeFrance, Rhode Island State College, Kingston, R.I.; John F. Cornman, Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.; Warren Lafkin, Golf & Lawn Supply Corporation, White Plains, N.Y.

**Fertilizer Usage, Chairman:** O. J. Noer, Milwaukee Sewerage Commission, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; G. N. Hoffer, American Potash Institute, Lafayette, Indiana; H. G. Gauch, Maryland University, College Park, Maryland.

**Equipment Maintenance, Chairman:** W. H. Glover, Fairfax Country Club, Fairfax, Virginia; Bob Dunning, Bob Dunning-Jones, Inc., Tulsa 4, Oklahoma; E. R. Steinger, Pine Valley Golf Club, Clementon, N.J.

**Labor Management, Chairman:** Taylor Boyd, Camargo Country Club, Cincinnati, Ohio; J. C. Dodd, Ridgefields Country Club, Kingsport, Tennessee; Walter Cosby, The Greenbrier, White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia.

**Grasses for Economical Maintenance, Chairman:** Kenyon T. Payne, Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana; Neal Wright, Pennsylvania State College, State College, Pa.; R. C. Potts, Texas A & M College, College Station, Texas; Glenn W. Burton, Georgia Coastal Plain Experiment Station, Tifton, Ga.; V. T. Stoutemyer, University of California, Los Angeles, California.

**Economy in Disease Control, Chairman:** H. W. Thurston, Pennsylvania State College, State College, Pa.; Eric Sharvelle, Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana; John B. Rowell, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, Minnesota.

**Economy in Insect Control, Chairman:** E. N. Cory, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland; C. Schread, Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station,

New Haven, Connecticut; E. G. Kelsheimer, Florida Agricultural Experiment Station, Bradenton, Florida.

**Economy in Weed Control**, Chairman: Charles K. Hallowell, Room 303 Drexel Bldg., 5th and Chestnut Sts., Philadelphia 6, Pa.; Ralph E. Engel, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J.; Gene Nutter, Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y.

### **Turf Field Days**

- Sept. 6-7 — Turf Field Days, Rhode Island State College, Kingston.
- Sept. 7-8 — Turf Conference and Field Days, Southeastern Turf Research Center, Tifton, Ga.
- Sept. 11-12 — Turf Field Days, State College, Pa.
- Oct. 15-17 — National Turf Field Days, USGA Green Section, Beltsville, Md.
- Oct. 25-27 — Turf Conference, Manhattan, Kans.
- Oct. 30-Nov. 3 — American Society of Agronomy Annual Meetings, Cincinnati, Ohio.
- Jan. 11-12 — Maryland Turf Conference, University of Maryland, College Park, Md.
- Feb. 12-14 — Texas Turf Conference, College Station, Texas.
- Feb. 26-Mar. 1 — Turf Conference, State College, Pa.

### **NGSA Tournament, Sept. 18-19 at CC of Lansing, Mich.**

National Greenkeeping Superintendents Assn. 1950 annual tournament will be played at the Country Club of Lansing, Mich., Sept. 18 and 19. LeRoy Jones is CC of Lansing supt. Michigan and Border Cities Golf Course Supts. Assn. will be host. Ward Cornwall, chmn. of the affair, and his committee associates have arranged an interesting and entertaining program for supts. and their wives.

Morning educational sessions will be held at Michigan State College, with Dr. James Tyson and Clarence Wolf from arranging that program.

Emil Mashie, supt. of Onwentsia Club (Chicago dist.), will defend his title. USGA presents medals to winners and runners-up in the championship and senior flights.

Hotel Olds will be headquarters for the supts. attending the tournament and educational sessions. Monday evening an informal get-together will be held at the Country Club. The annual tournament banquet will be held Tuesday night.

### **USGA Host to National Amateur Field**

USGA was host to players and golf writers in the 50th anniversary National Amateur at a dinner held at Nicollet Hotel, Minneapolis, Saturday, Aug. 19. The dinner was preceded by a cocktail party at which the Minneapolis GC was host.

The evening meeting was the first time the USGA had brought together the entire field of the amateur in a get-acquainted affair. It was a complete success and was, in addition to being the sort of social affair that might be expected when about 200 players, officials and reporters are brought together from all over the country, was pleasant and effective public relations and education by the USGA.

USGA officials were scattered around at tables with contestants. Pres. Jim Standish presided with the easy finesse that's made him great locker-room company throughout the USGA since about 1776. USGA officials spoke briefly on activities and problems of the association, including the delicate matters of amateur status and the rules. Deftly the amateurs were acquainted with the reasons for applying to the administration of golf the understanding that has preserved life and order on a much lower plane of entertainment: "Don't shoot the professor, he is doing his best."

Chick Evans, Francis Ouimet and Willie Turnesa spoke for former amateur champions and Willie individually registered approval of the stymie. Herb Graffis talked as a representative of the golf writers.

### **Golf Lines Up in National "Kids' Day" Campaign**

National Kids' Day, a project to establish summer camps for underprivileged children, has as its golf aspect a National Kids' Day Sweepstakes scheduled for Sept. 23. Maury Luxford and Johnny Dawson are directors of the golf drive. The PGA nationally and sectional amateur golf organizations of men and women are participating in the drive which is hoped to raise \$1 per from thousands of golfers.

Jimmy Fidler, the movie columnist, is president of the National Kids' Day Foundation, Inc. Mrs. Bob Hope is a vice pres. Bing Crosby is a director. Prominent civic-minded men are on the board.

Hope and Crosby have frequently inconvenienced themselves and given their time, money and effort to affairs in behalf of charities sponsored by numerous golf clubs and pro and amateur associations. It will be interesting to see how golf shows its appreciation by taking part in