Turf Experts Lined Up for GCSA Columbus Convention

The 23d national Turf Conference and Equipment Show of the Golf Course Supts. Assn. of America will move at high speed from Monday, Feb. 4 thru Feb. 7 at the Neil House, Columbus, O. Executive committee sessions will be held Feb. 3 and 8. If weather permits, inspections of some Columbus District courses will be made Feb. 4. A get-together party on Monday evening will be sponsored by the GCSA and Central Ohio Golf Course Supts. Assn. A program for entertainment of wives of the superintendents has been arranged.

Tuesday, exhibits and educational conference will be officially opened by the GCSA pres., Wm. H. Johnson, supt., Griffith Park courses, Los Angeles. Mayor James A. Rhodes of Columbus, widely known for his energetic and sound sponsorship of municipal golf and caddie welfare will speak on "Public Golf Relations." Purdy Carson of Worthington Mower will talk on mower maintenance and Charles Gardner of Briggs and Stratton will speak on "Motor Maintenance." Ted Booterbaugh, who has done a notable job in conditioning the Grand Hotel course at Point Clear, Ala. will relate "A Northern Supts." Results in the South." Other slants on southern turf maintenance will be given by B. P. Robinson, Georgia Coastal Plain Experiment Station, Tifton, Ga., in the Wednesday a.m. session which will have as its chairman, Philip I. Cassidy, Weston (Mass.) GC.

Poa Annua Debate Subject

The Wednesday afternoon meeting, with Willis H. Glover, Fairfax (Va.) CC, as chairman, will feature a discussion on "Poa Annua, Friend or Foe." A supts.' team headed by O. J. Noer, will have as Noer's team-mates Dave Bell, St. Clair CC; Oscar Bowman, Algonquin GC; Lawrence Huber, Ohio State U courses; A. R. Twombly, James Baird State Park; L. E. Lambert, Oakwood G&CC; and Paul Weiss, Lehigh CC. On this subject of poa annua the research and extension team, led by Fred Grau, USGA Green Section director; will have Dr. Wm. H. Daniel, Purdue; Prof. H. B. Musser, Penn State; Alexander M. Radko, USGA Green Section; Ralph Engel, Rutgers; B. P. Robinson, Georgia Coastal Plain Experiment Station; Lawrence Munzenmaier, Purdue.

Thursday morning Frank Dinelli, Northmoor CC., Chicago dist., will direct a session that will open with Dr. Virgil Overholt, Ohio State University, lecturing on "Soil Structure and Drainage."

O. J. Noer, Milwaukee Sewerage Commission, and Dr. Wm. Daniel of Purdue's agronomy dept., will explain and demonstrate tests for showing plant food deficiency. The "Fairway Maintenance Program at Los Angeles CC," which has been watched with keen interest by supts. and green-chmn. in the LA area will be detailed by the club's supt., Bill Beresford. "Control of Chickweed and Clover in Fairways" will be surveyed by H. B. Musser, prof. of agronomy, Pennsylvania State College. Alexander M. Radko, research agronomist, USGA Green Section, will present "National Coordinated Crabgrass Results."

John Price, Southern Hills CC, will be chmn., Thursday afternoon, with Taylor Boyd, Camargo Club, speaking on "Golf Course Records and Labor Management;" Frank P. Dunlap, Country Club of Cleveland, setting forth his ideas on "Superintendents' Relations," and Roger J. Bear, safety director, Kroger Co., talking on "Relationship Between Golf Course Supt. and Club Member."

Short vs. Long Fairways

A discussion on short vs. long cutting of fairways will have advocating short cutting Fred Grau, Ralph Engel and Robt. Henderson, CC of Buffalo, and speaking for long cutting will be Wm. H. Daniel, Dr. J. A. DeFrance of the University of Rhode Island, and Clarence Wolfrom, Maple Lane GC.

All sessions will conclude with question and answer periods.

Exhibits of equipment and material for course maintenance will be supplemented by educational exhibits worked up by Central Ohio Golf Course Supts.' Assn., Ohio State University agronomy dept., Ohio Central District GA and the GCSA.

GOLF ARCHITECTS TO MEET JAN. 14-16, BELLEAIRE, FLA.

American Society of Golf Course Architects will hold its sixth annual meeting at Belleview-Biltmore hotel, Belleaire, Fla., Jan. 14, 15 and 16. Officers of the society are: Pres., Wm. B. Langford; vp, Wm. P. Bell; sec.-treas., Wm. F. Gordon.