

Table IV

Ratings by Golf Professionals and Golf Course Superintendents on the Putting Quality of Several Bermudagrass Selections During the Eighth Annual Southeastern Turfgrass Conference Tifton, Ga., 1954.

Selection	Number of Individuals Rating Selections As					
	Best	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	TOTAL
Tifgreen	36	20	13	8	1	78
Tiflawn x <i>C. transvaalensis</i>	6	9	5	1	3	24
Tifton 55 x <i>C. transvaalensis</i>	2			4	9	15
Gene Tift				1	1	2

Prominent Turf Authorities Speak at Canadian Conference

Top Canadian and U. S. turf authorities presided at the speakers' rostrum or led panel discussions at the seventh annual conference of the Green Section of the Royal Canadian Golf Assn. held Mar. 19-20 at Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, Ont.

At the opening morning session, Prof. R. Goodwin-Wilson summarized turf research progress at the Ontario agricultural school during the past year, while Dr. James Watson, Jr., Toro Mfg. Co., Minneapolis, Minn., gave supts. many valuable tips on improving golf soils. The seed situation for 1956 was discussed by Ted MacDonald of Ottawa.

One of the highlights of the afternoon's conference was a discussion of fringe benefits by J. A. Weall, also of O.A.C.'s horticulture dept. Dr. James Tyson of Michigan State College described the effect of seed mixtures in establishing fairway turf, and parkway development and maintenance problems were discussed by E. I. Wood, Ottawa landscape architect. The panel review of the day's speeches and discussion of questions asked by supts. was led by Dr. Watson. In the evening the supts. and their wives were guests of the RCGA at a cocktail hour and dinner in the Royal Hotel, Guelph.

Discusses Snow Mold Control

Dr. Watson appeared on the second day's program to discuss snow mold control. Turf pests were the subject of a talk by D. C. Hamilton of O. A. C. and J. A. Aitken, Royal Canadian Air Force, told how the RCAF goes about selecting and constructing athletic fields. The final speaker on the morning's program, Dr. H. B.

Musser of Penn State University, discussed the effect of various clipping heights and nitrogen levels on bluegrass mixtures.

Dr. Musser also appeared on the final afternoon program to deliver a paper on nitrogen fertilizers. Other speakers at this session included M. E. Peart, O.A.C. horticulturist, who outlined the steps to be taken in chemical weed control and Dr. O. J. Noer of the Milwaukee Sewerage Commission who gave a roundup of turf conditions for 1955. Dr. Noer later presided at the panel discussion which wound up the conference.

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