



Scene at the 5th annual conference of the Florida Turf Assn., held last fall on the campus of the University of Florida. Several leading turf authorities were speakers at the three-day meeting which was featured by a series of educational exhibits and a tour of research facilities in addition to the regular educational sessions. In the above photo, Gene C. Nutter of Florida Agricultural Experiment Station is discussing Bermudagrass variety adaption studies.

90 Supts. Attend Midwest Clinic at Olympia Fields

Practically every aspect of course maintenance was touched at the fifth annual turf clinic of the Midwest GCSA which was held at Olympia Fields (Ill.) CC in November. Supt. Gordon Brinkworth was host for the two-day affair.

About 90 supts. from Illinois and surrounding states attended the clinic. More emphasis than usual was put on the technique of spraying with Dwight Powel, University of Illinois pathologist, giving an extremely informative talk on this subject. Another University of Illinois professor, Richard Campana, discussed the Dutch Elm disease threat which has become a serious menace in recent years throughout the Midwest and has caused rather widespread tree deterioration on golf courses.

Other speakers included James Holmes of the USGA green section who spoke on nematodes; Charles Shirley who discussed the greenkeeping situation in Wisconsin; Malcolm Shurtliff of Iowa State College who brought the supts. up to date on the relationship between temperatures and turf disease; Joe Dinnelli who described the planning and installation of drainage systems; Floyd Sanders who showed movies he had taken, and narrated the story of improvements that were made last year at the Ridge CC in Chicago; and Verne Fish who discussed the many research projects undertaken by the Toro Manufacturing Corp.

Also on the program as speakers were

Andy Bertoni, Robert Miller, Robert Williams, Ted Woehrl and Si Graham and a panel group composed of Bill Stuppel, moderator, Ray Gerber, Wes Uptegraff, Gerald Dearie, Sr. and Gordon Brinkworth. The panelists distinguished themselves by going very thoroughly into the subject of green construction and maintenance.

Central Plains Holds 3-Day Meet; Elects Officers, Directors

The three-day turf conference held at Kansas State College, Manhattan, in mid-October was one of the best attended of the eight annual meetings the Central Plains group has held. Of particular interest to supts. was the grass plant identification session conducted by Kling Anderson and Ray A. Keen. Other notables on the program included O. W. Bidwell, Charles Wilson, William Daniel, Bud Elmer, Harold Jones, L. R. Quinlan, Robert Williams and Tom Mascaro.

At the annual membership meeting of the Central Plain Turf Foundation, Ross McCausland was elected pres. and Chester Mendenhall, vp. Ray A. Keen was re-elected secy-treas. Directors are McCausland, Mendenhall, Harold P. Henry and Roy Rasmussen.

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