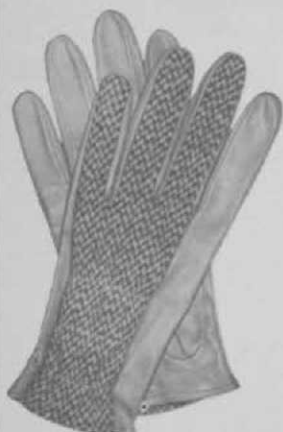


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V.P.I. Is Host to Virginia Turfmen at Field Day

Virginia turfmen got a chance to see the research work that is going on at V.P.I. when a field day, sponsored by the state's agricultural extension service and the experiment station, was held in Blacksburg late in August. Part of the session was devoted to a tour of the V.P.I. course and adjacent research plots, and the remainder of it was held in the agricultural auditorium where agronomy and horticulture dept. professors discussed nutrition and disease control.

Observe Nitrogen Studies

The course and turf plot tour, conducted by John Shoulders, Roy Blaser and R. E. Schmidt, covered various nitrogen studies and observations of climatic adaptations of Bermuda strains and of various mixtures. Results of various fertilization programs carried out on tees and greens, which are planted to five different strains of bent, also were demonstrated.

At the indoor session, Albert S. Beecher, moderator, introduced G. W. Thomas, who discussed lime and its function in turf nutrition, and A. S. Williams, who spoke on disease control.

600,000 Rounds in Four Years

More than 600,000 rounds of golf were played at Dallas' four municipally operated courses between 1956 and 1959, according to Grover C. Keeton, supt. of



L. B. Houston, dir. of parks, Ann Tenison, great granddaughter of the park donor, E. O. Tenison, Grover Keeton, supt. of courses, and Floyd Gish, park board member, at dedication of revised 18 hole course at Tenison Park in Dallas this year.

courses for the city's park and recreation dept. In 1956, a total of 157,000 rounds was recorded. This number dropped off in 1957 to 147,000, increased to 153,000 a year later and hit the 160,000 mark in 1959. Play is at three parks, Tension, Cedar Crest and Stevens, all of which have 18-hole courses.