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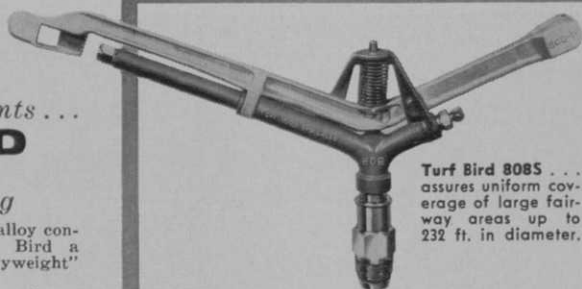
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### "Pity The Poor Grass" Is Theme of California Meeting

The most widely grown crop in California, turf grass, gets rougher treatment than practically any other plant grown.

"We don't grow grass for its fruit or even its vegetation — we're always cutting that off and throwing it away," turf specialists were told during a Conference at the University of California in Davis in April. "Grass really is valued for one thing only — its appearance."

Lawrence Peterson, U. C. plant pathologist, pointed out that common disease problems of grasses often result from the unique demands on them. "With no crop rotation, with much of the leaves cut off regularly, with old crop residues piling up around the plants and, in many cases, with irregular watering and insufficient fertilization, it's no wonder there are diseases in turf," he said.

The most disease-resistant grasses, Vic-

tor Youngner of UCLA told the conference, are tall fescue, zoysia and improved Bermuda. These particular grasses also are rated high for heat and drought toler-



John Madison (l), University of California horticulturist, receives a check for \$250 from E. W. Van Gorder, pres. of Northern California GCSA, for turf research work at the University.

ance and traffic resistance, but have drawbacks such as coarse appearance or browning in winter.

Other speakers during the two-day conference included spokesmen for various U. C. departments; grounds specialists from institutions such as Chico State College, Stanford University and various golf

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courses; and horticulturists from seed and equipment companies.

Program chmn. included Ellis Van Gorder, supt., Stanford golf course; Allan Reid, Palo Alto landscape architect; and William Davis, U. C. agricultural extension service specialist.

### New Attendance Record for Iowa Turf Conference

The 27th turfgrass short course at Iowa State University established a new attendance record with 91 more registered than last year. The two-day meeting featured reports on research projects at Iowa State as well as talks by M. C. Shurtleff, plant pathologist, Tom Hibbs, entomologist and F. W. Schaller, soil scientist at Iowa State University. Such well known turfmen as Jim Holmes, U.S.G.A. green section, J. A. DeFrance of O. M. Scott, C. G. Wilson, Milwaukee Sewerage Commission, R. W. Schery of the Lawn Institute, R. Hanson, Rainy Sprinkler Sales and J. R. Wattson, Toro Manufacturing Co. were speakers. Also on the programs were Roger Thomas, Worthington Manufacturing Co., G. C. Nutter, executive dir. of the GCSA, R. R. Davis of the Ohio Agricultural Experi-

ment Station, Lorne Hill, Northrup King and Co. and O. J. Noer of the Dick Wilson organization.

The annual business meeting of the



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Iowa GCSA featured the adoption of a revised constitution and set of by-laws and the incorporation of the association under the provisions of the Iowa code.

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