Northrup King Appoints New Director of Turf Research

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From Curt Larson's desk comes news that Northrup King Co. of Minneapolis has appointed Dr. David Casnoff as Director of Turf Research. He will oversee the company's nationwide program of new variety development and testing from the company's research station in Mount Joy, Pennsylvania. Casnoff replaces Howard Kaerwer, who is retiring after guiding the company turf research program since 1953. Kaerwer, a speaker at the 1982 WGCSA Wisconsin Golf Turf Symposium, has been a leading figure in the turfgrass industry through the development of new varieties and turf management practices.

Dr. Casnoff brings a broad base of expertise to Northrup King. At Penn State he earned a B.S. degree in Turf Management and a M.S. degree in Soil Physics. He earned a Ph.D. in Plant Breeding from the University of Nebraska and did additional postgraduate work at Texas A&M under the direction of Dr. James Beard.

Staff Additions To Dick Nugent Associates

WGCSA member Dick Nugent, Golf Course Architect from Long Grove. Illinois, has announced several additions to his professional staff. Robert Thompson earned both his B.S. and M.S. degrees from the University of Wisconsin - Madison and has nearly 20 years of experience in the profession. Stanford Eby is an Iowa State graduate in L.A. and gives Nugent Associates good experience in design, construction, administration and field supervision. James Engh, a May 1985 graduate of Colorado State University, has good first-hand experience on golf courses and is an avid golfer.

NorAm Chemical Company Establishes New Responsibilities

Since the purchase of TUCO's plant health division of Upjohn, both John Turner and Don Moske have been busy learning new markets and responsibilities. NorAm will be placing emphasis in three market areas. They are: Turf and Ornaments, consisting of Actidione, Bonol, Proxol, Turcom, Progress and Nitroform fertilizer. Pest control operations with Ficom, Ficom Plus, and Deltic. They will manufacture Nitroform Blue Chip for formulators to custom blend. John will continue to serve the "Badger" state as well as Illinois, Indiana, and St. Louis. Don has acccepted District Manager responsibilities and will provide assistance to five NorAm salesmen in the Midwest. Bob Steib, who assisted distributors, dealers and lawn care operations in Wisconsin, will now provide has expertise in the states of Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas and Colorado. NorAm will continue to market and distribute their specialty products in accordance with sales and marketing policies.

John has announced a November wedding with his fiancee, Pam, a native "Badger" from Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin.

Cornish Instructs Harvard University Grad School Seminar

Geoffrey Cornish, Golf Course Architect from Amherst, Mass. and a speaker at the 1984 WGCSA Wisconsin Golf Turf Symposium, recently conducted a continuing educational seminar at the Harvard University Graduate School. The two-day seminar, **Golf Course Design**, was modeled after the seminar Cornish gave at the GCSAA Convention in Washington this past February. That seminar was attended by some of WGCSA's members.

Cornish stated that a key point he was able to get across was that the great works of developers, planners and constructors are in vain without the dedicated and enduring efforts of the Golf Course Superintendents. The same course will be presented again at the GCSAA Mid-Year Turfgrass Conference and Show in Indianapolis on September 19th and 20th.

Miller Named To Forestry/Rights-Of-Way/ Turf Coalition Board

Monroe S. Miller, WGCSA President, has accepted an invitation to serve on the Board of Directors of the Wisconsin Forest/Rights-of-Way/Turf Coalition. The group is a division of the Wisconsin Agribusiness Council, Inc., and Russel Weisensel is the Executive Director. The Coalition was formed to deal with the campaigns against the safe use of pesticides. It is open to anyone with a professional interest in vegetation management and is funded from user groups. Tom Harrison, Wisconsin Turfgrass Association president, is also a member of the Coalition Board.



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