

like hopper suspended under the runners on long ropes. It didn't take the pilot long to fertilize an acre of land—he was done in three minutes!

As the day neared to its end we returned to the hotel and made for the lake as quickly as possible to take advantage of the remaining afternoon sun. Row boats were available for rent. I quickly put claim to the boat with the least amount of water in it and sent Mary Lou after oars, which she eventually found were housed in the hotel and available for use when you paid for the rental. After this agonizing delay we finally got out on the lake and I spent the remaining hour of good sun skinny dipping. Across the lake Dave Fairbank, Sam Kessel, and Lee Dieter were fishing; and believe it or not we were the only two boats on the whole lake. The tourist season must end early on Mountain Lake.

Our day was capped off with a V.I.P. banquet dinner where I ran into Angelo Cammarota and Ed Dembnicki. Other Mid-Atlantic members present were Dick Hill, George Wingo, Junior Rutman, John Gross, Strict Newsom, Paul Spelman, Sheldon Betterly, and Parker Shirling.

The following day the turf plot tours continued with a afternoon conference held from 1:00 to 5:30 which featured VA. tech staff members. The combination of seeing the plots followed by oral and graphic presentations enabled all of us to comprehend the years of studies that have been conducted on the V.I.P. turf plots. Printed handouts accompanied several presentations followed up by a complete folder of all proceedings of the conference presentations.

A pre-field day golf tournament was held at Blacksburg Country Club a day prior to the Field days and will be repeated again this year for all participants of the Field Day.

Watch your mail for additional information on this years upcoming V.I.P. field days scheduled for Sept. 17, 18, 19; let's see if we can improve on our Mid-Atlantic attendance.

Reservations should be made if you plan on staying at the Mountain Lake Hotel. Telephone number is 703-626-7121. Other accommodations for lodging are available and located within Blacksburg Virginia. Contact John Shoulders or Dr. A.J. Powell at V.I.P. for further information if you don't get information in the mail.

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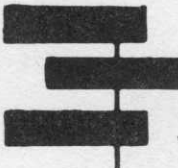
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