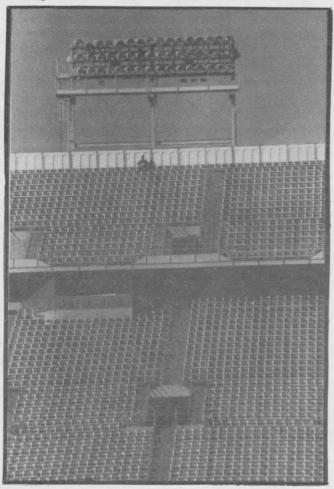
And how about Dr. "Naithsmith" basketball Kurtz. In trying to illustrate how soils drain properly, he discussed the proper and improper structure of soils. He said "If one filled a gym half full of basketballs, then dumped marbles on top, the marbles would sink to the bottom. This would be compared to silt or clay (marbles) plugging up the large gravel aggregates. Proper soil drainage systems must be well thought out before installation."



Just for fun Mike Schiller climbed high up in Mile High Stadium to claim his "front rou" seat.

The Denver STMA meetings were delightful, educational, and established a warm, caring and closeness among all in attendance. We are on our way to a new beginning.

STMA EDUCATIONAL DISPLAY AT GCSA TRADE SHOW

The Golf Course Superintendents
Association of America is providing
STMA a complementary booth at their
56th International Golf Course

Conference and Show (February 10-12) in the Washington D.C. Convention Center. We appreciate this opportunity to promote STMA.

Executive Secretary Kent Kurtz will be attending the conference but needs assistance manning the booth and needs pictures or posters to dress up the display. If you can help or send material for the booth please contact Kent at 714-598-4167 or evenings 714-984-4677.

Hopefully Tony Burnett can provide STMA members attending the conference a tour of J.F. Kennedy Stadium in Washington, D.C.

STMA MEMBERS PREPARE BOWL AND PLAYOFF GAMES

Hats off to our members who have made the Association proud with their excellent field preparations for the big games. And all of these games were played on natural grass. Congratultions gentlemen, STMA has finally arrived.

Barney Barron

NFL Playoff - San Francisco

Don Marshall

Freedom Bowl, NFL Playoff - Anaheim Steve Wightman

NFL Playoff - Denver

Tony Burnett

NFL Playoff - Washington D.C.

George Toma

Super Bowl - Palo Alto

Dale Sandin

NFL Playoff - Miami

David Jacobs, Kent Kurtz

Rose Bowl - Pasadena

GEORGE TOMA AND DONALD MARSHALL TO SPEAK AT CAL POLY'S 2ND ANNUAL SPORTSTURF INSTITUTE MARCH 19, 1985

The 2nd annual Sportsturf Institute at Cal Poly Pomona Tuesday, March 19, 1985 includes a seminar series featuring two of the nation's premier sportsturf managers, George Toma (Kansas City Royals baseball club, Kansas City Chiefs Football team and the NFL Superbowl's special advisor) and Donald Marshall from Anaheim Stadium (Los Angeles Rams, Caifornia Angels, and Freedom Bowl).

This year's conference includes a

morning seminar series from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. with two concurrent sessions to choose from: Getting Back to the Basics, Assisting Coaches and Athletic Directos Manage Fields and The Sportsturf Manager in the 1980's. All educational sessions will be held at the University Union.



Dr. Kent Kurtz, STMA Executive Secretary and George Toma, Kansas City Royals and Cheifs discuss the upcoming Sports Turf Institute at Cal Poly Pomona, California.

A steak barbeque lunch at the famous W.K. Kellogg Rose Garden and an opportunity to visit the acclaimed new O.A. Batcheller Conservatory provide a time to relax and reflect on the day's activities.

The Sportsturf Industries leading equipment, materials and supply companies will be featured in a trade show from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Inside exhibits will be in the men's gymnasium and the outside exhiits on the large athletic field complex adjacent to the gym.

Come to learn, share and experience a day of fellowship and knowledge. This year's Institute is co-sponsored by the Sports Turf Managers' Association and the Cal Poly Ornamental Horticulture Club.

Pre-registration \$18 includes lunch. Registration at the door is \$20.

Checks should be made payable to: Cal Poly Foundation. Tear off pre-registration form is below, include a check for \$18. and mail to: Dr. Kent W. Kurtz, Sportsturf Institute Coordinator, Horticulture Department, Cal Poly, 3801 W. Temple Ave., Pomona, Calif., 91768.

## MESSAGE FROM STMA PRESIDENT

As President of STMA, I wish to welcome new members and extend best wishes to all members for a successful season in 1985.

1985 promises to be the year of change for STMA. A goal for the organization has been defined, a logo has been created, real by-laws are now in effect, and we now have our own office.

For years grass has been accepted as a green cover where it is not shaded out or covered up. Our goal is to promote the virtue of grass for sport surfaces and encourage the development of grass growing techniques.

The '85 season will provide you, the membership, with new benefits from the organization and hopefully a good level of communication with others in the same "field of interest".

David D. Frey
President, Sports Turf Managers
Assoc.

## UPDATE FROM YOUR EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

I am pleased to be able to serve the STMA membership as the new Executive Secretary. Your Board of Directors and newly elected officers have asked me to take the organization to the forefront of our industry and I intend to do this by spending the next year promoting a positive, professional image for the association. Since the meetings in Denver we have already opened our own bank account, begun publishing a modest newsletter, started work on a membership directory, and plan to initiate a membership drive by word of mouth, through trade publications (Weeds, Trees, & Turf, February 1985)