Turf Tips Highlight 34th Turf-Grass Conference Feb. 11-15 in San Diego

Recommendations for contract applicators on all aspects of turf maintenance, by a panel of college specialists from all parts of the country, is featured at the 34th International Turf-Grass Conference, Feb. 11-15 in San Diego, Calif.

More than 2500 delegates are in San Diego for the convention, largest turfgrass management and exhibition show in the world. Golf Course Superintendents Association sponsors the event, in which turfmen from many foreign countries, as well as the entire United States, will participate.

"Advances in soil sterilization and fertilization will also receive detailed examination," Roy W. Nelson, chairman of the conference, and vice president of the Golf Course Superindendants Association, told *Weeds and Turf*.

Staff members of W&T are in San Diego for the program, to provide a detailed review of proceedings that will appear in the March issue, due out March 5.

Evaluation of the factors which determine success of various fertilizers begins the session on turf stimulants. Review of tests on plant response to fertilizers and recommendations for overcoming specific problems are also included. Special feature is a preview of advanced technology, and what CAs can expect in future fertilizers, Nelson reveals.

On Wednesday, third day of the conference, delegates meet in two groups, one composed of turfmen from northern and eastern areas, and the other of delegates from the West and the South.

Regional problems are being highlighted, but several problems of interest to CAs from either parts of the country are included.

Both groups are hearing leading greens superintendants review more important turf problems, and are giving individual recommendations for best results in treatment.



Turfmen in the southern and western meeting are devoting a special session to particular problems in the northwestern United States, where CAs report the market for turf maintenance is especially vigorous.

Concluding the conference is a session on contract greens sterilization techniques, where CAs are gaining much useful information, applicable to lawn maintenance as well as golf course greens.

